

Company Registration No. SC220179 (Scotland)

THE NATURAL FRUIT & BEVERAGE COMPANY LIMITED

DIRECTORS' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2003



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COMPANY INFORMATION

Directors

Alexander Bulloch
Carol Anne Bulloch
Henry J Jagielko
Alexander Reynolds

Secretary

Henry J Jagielko

Company number

SC220179

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THE NATURAL FRUIT & BEVERAGE COMPANY LIMITED

DIRECTORS' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2003

The directors present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 July 2003.

Principal activities

The company was incorporated on 13 June 2001 to carry on the principal activity of blending and bottling fruit squashes and other drinks.

Directors

The following directors have held office since 1 August 2002:

Alexander Bulloch
Carol Anne Bulloch
Henry J Jagielko
Alexander Reynolds

Directors' interests

The directors' interests in the shares of the company were as stated below:

	Ordinary £1 shares of £ 1 each	
	31 July 2003	1 August 2002
Alexander Bulloch	5,000	5,000
Carol Anne Bulloch	5,000	5,000
Henry J Jagielko	5,000	5,000
Alexander Reynolds	5,000	5,000

Carol Anne Bulloch holds 30,000 Ordinary Shares in the parent company, Loch Lomond Distillers Limited.

Auditors

Wylie & Bisset were appointed auditors to the company and in accordance with section 385 of the Companies Act 1985, a resolution proposing that they be re-appointed will be put to the Annual General Meeting.

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DIRECTORS' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2003

Directors' responsibilities

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

The directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies.

On behalf of the board



Carol Anne Bulloch

Director

27 May 2004

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF THE NATURAL FRUIT & BEVERAGE COMPANY LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements of THE NATURAL FRUIT & BEVERAGE COMPANY LIMITED on pages 4 to 9 for the year ended 31 July 2003. These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective June 2002), under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out therein.

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with Section 235 of the Companies Act 1985. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the company and the company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Respective responsibilities of the directors and auditors

As described in the statement of directors' responsibilities on page 2 the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards.

Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and United Kingdom Auditing Standards.

We report to you our opinion as to whether the financial statements give a true and fair view and are properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985. We also report to you if, in our opinion, the directors' report is not consistent with the financial statements, if the company has not kept proper accounting records, if we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit, or if information specified by law regarding directors' remuneration and transactions with the company is not disclosed.

We read the directors' report and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements within it.

Basis of audit opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with United Kingdom Auditing Standards issued by the Auditing Practices Board. An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made by the directors in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the company's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

Fundamental uncertainty

In forming our opinion, we have considered the adequacy of the disclosure made in the financial statements in note 1.1 concerning the insolvency of the company and the commitment of the holding company to provide financial support. Our opinion is not qualified in this respect.

Opinion

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 July 2003 and of its loss for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Wylie & Bisset
Wylie & Bisset

**Chartered Accountants
Registered Auditor**

27 May 2004
168 Bath Street
Glasgow
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PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2003

	Notes	2003 £	2002 £
Turnover		1,339,141	1,256,516
Cost of sales		(921,840)	(785,593)
Gross profit		417,301	470,923
Administrative expenses		(1,025,105)	(816,128)
Operating loss	2	(607,804)	(345,205)
Interest payable and similar charges		(343)	(1,164)
Loss on ordinary activities before taxation		(608,147)	(346,369)
Tax on loss on ordinary activities	3	(55,257)	(75,359)
Loss on ordinary activities after taxation	10	(663,404)	(421,728)

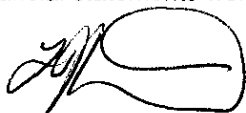
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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 JULY 2003

	Notes	2003 £	£	2002 £	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	4		1,367,637		1,342,972
Current assets					
Stocks		363,815		335,242	
Debtors	5	582,525		629,665	
Cash at bank and in hand		88,876		100,392	
		<u>1,035,216</u>		<u>1,065,299</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	6	<u>(1,757,370)</u>		<u>(1,704,640)</u>	
Net current liabilities			<u>(722,154)</u>		<u>(639,341)</u>
Total assets less current liabilities			645,483		703,631
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	7		(1,500,000)		(950,000)
Provisions for liabilities and charges	8		<u>(130,616)</u>		<u>(75,359)</u>
			<u>(985,133)</u>		<u>(321,728)</u>
Capital and reserves					
Called up share capital	9		100,000		100,000
Profit and loss account	10		<u>(1,085,133)</u>		<u>(421,728)</u>
Shareholders' funds			<u>(985,133)</u>		<u>(321,728)</u>

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies and with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective June 2002).

The financial statements were approved by the Board on 27 May 2004



Henry J Jagielko
Director

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2003

1 Accounting policies

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective June 2002).

The company, although insolvent, meets its day to day working capital requirements through an overdraft facility and the support of the holding company. On the basis of the assurances from the directors of the holding company that they will continue to support the company, the directors consider that the company will continue to have sufficient resources to meet its day to day obligations. The directors, therefore, consider it appropriate to prepare financial statements on the going concern basis. The financial statements do not include any adjustments that would result from the withdrawal of the support of the holding company and/or the withdrawal of the overdraft facility.

Deferred taxation is provided at appropriate rates on all timing differences using the liability method only to the extent that, in the opinion of the directors, there is a reasonable probability that a liability or asset will crystallise in the foreseeable future.

1.2 Turnover

Turnover represents amounts receivable for goods and services net of VAT and trade discounts.

1.3 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less estimated residual value of each asset over its expected useful life, as follows:

Plant and machinery	15 years straight line
Fixtures, fittings & equipment	4 years straight line
Motor vehicles	4 years straight line

2	Operating loss	2003 £	2002 £
	Operating loss is stated after charging:		
	Depreciation of tangible assets	111,513	34,398
	Auditors' remuneration	6,544	5,000
	Directors' emoluments	-	86,103
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>
3	Taxation	2003	2002
	Current tax charge	-	-
	Deferred tax		
	Deferred tax charge/credit current year	55,257	75,359
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>

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4 Tangible fixed assets

	Plant and machinery	Fixtures, fittings & equipment	Motor vehicles	Total
	£	£	£	£
Cost				
At 1 August 2002	1,344,270	9,593	30,495	1,384,358
Additions	118,978	-	17,200	136,178
	<u>1,463,248</u>	<u>9,593</u>	<u>47,695</u>	<u>1,520,536</u>
Depreciation				
At 1 August 2002	32,000	2,398	6,988	41,386
Charge for the year	97,550	2,398	11,565	111,513
	<u>129,550</u>	<u>4,796</u>	<u>18,553</u>	<u>152,899</u>
Net book value				
At 31 July 2003	<u>1,333,698</u>	<u>4,797</u>	<u>29,142</u>	<u>1,367,637</u>
At 31 July 2002	<u>1,312,270</u>	<u>7,195</u>	<u>23,507</u>	<u>1,342,972</u>

5 Debtors	2003 £	2002 £
Trade debtors	508,107	279,643
Other debtors	74,418	350,022
	<u>582,525</u>	<u>629,665</u>

6 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2003 £	2002 £
Trade creditors	646,002	616,951
Taxation and social security	35,461	6,956
Other creditors	1,075,907	1,080,733
	<u>1,757,370</u>	<u>1,704,640</u>

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7	Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	2003	2002
		£	£
	Amount due to group undertaking	1,500,000	950,000
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	Analysis of loans		
	Not wholly repayable within five years other than by instalments	1,500,000	950,000
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>
8	Provisions for liabilities and charges		
			Deferred taxation
			£
	Balance at 1 August 2002		75,359
	Profit and loss account		55,257
			<u> </u>
	Balance at 31 July 2003		130,616
			<u> </u>
	Deferred taxation provided in the financial statements is as follows:		
		2003	2002
		£	£
	Accelerated capital allowances	130,616	75,359
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>
9	Share capital	2003	2002
		£	£
	Authorised		
	1,000,000 Ordinary £1 shares of £ 1 each	1,000,000	1,000,000
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	Allotted, called up and fully paid		
	100,000 Ordinary £1 shares of £ 1 each	100,000	100,000
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>
10	Statement of movements on profit and loss account		
			Profit and loss account
			£
	Balance at 1 August 2002		(421,729)
	Retained loss for the year		(663,404)
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	Balance at 31 July 2003		(1,085,133)
			<u> </u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2003

11 Control

The ultimate controlling party is Loch Lomond Distillers Limited being the holder of 75% of the issued share capital.

12 Related party transactions

The company has taken advantage of the exemption in Financial Reporting Standard Number 8 from the requirement to disclose transactions with group companies on the grounds that consolidated financial statements are prepared by the ultimate parent company.

The following transactions took place during the period between the company and Glen Catrine Bonded Warehouse Company Limited with which the company is related under the terms of a cross guarantee given for banking purposes :-

Purchase of goods £1,774,267 : balances due £372,982 (trade creditors), £1,041,285 (other creditors)

Sale of goods £20,580 : balance due £182,324.