



**THE ASSOCIATION OF ANAESTHETISTS**  
*of Great Britain & Ireland*

*A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE AND NOT HAVING A SHARE CAPITAL*

*Company Number 1888799*

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**DIRECTORS' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2010**

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**DIRECTORS' REPORT**

The directors present their annual report and the audited Financial Statements for the year to 31st March 2010.

**1 Statement of 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 Association and of the income and expenditure of the Association for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- follow applicable accounting standards;
- 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 Association will continue in business;

The directors have taken all the steps required to make the auditors aware of any relevant audit information in connection with preparing their report.

The directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Association and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006 and United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (UKGAAP). They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Association and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The directors have established systems of internal control, comprising financial forecasts and annual budgets, delegated authorities for operational management and segregation of duties, reviews of financial and investment performance and the identification and management of risks.

The internal controls are subject to ongoing assessment and evaluation by the directors. At least two meetings a year are held to consider financial management and performance in detail. In addition, the Honorary Treasurer reports on financial matters to each Council meeting of the Association, comprising directors. These meetings record the formal review and approval of all aspects of finance, internal controls and accounts.

**2 Review of Activities**

The principal activities of the Association were the advancement and promotion of patient care and safety, the promotion of education and research into anaesthetics and the support of members.

A full review of activities is given in the Annual Report published on the Association's website.

**3 Nature of the Company**

The Association is a Company limited by Guarantee and does not have a share capital.

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## DIRECTORS' REPORT

### 4 Results

The Association made a surplus for the year amounting to £82,949 after a transfer of £300,000 to the Development Fund (2009: a deficit of £1,425,808 after making a gift of investments of just over £1.2 million to the AAGBI Foundation). The Association continued to financially support the AAGBI Foundation, which primarily provides education and training for anaesthetists. The results also reflect a recovery in global stock market values. The Association is prohibited by its Memorandum of Association from paying a dividend to its members.

Total income exceeded the previous year, primarily from growth in membership subscriptions and additional income from the publication of *Anaesthesia*, the journal of the Association. Investment income was significantly lower due to the gift of investments to the AAGBI Foundation in the previous year, coupled with low rates of interest on cash deposits.

Common administrative expenses continue to be shared with the AAGBI Foundation. In total, Membership and Administrative costs were slightly lower, with increases in staff and printing costs offset by reduced expenditure on other headings. Governance costs were substantially lower as a result of constitutional simplification and greater use of electronic communication with members. The Association's website is in the process of redevelopment and the costs incurred to date have been capitalised.

The Association continued to fund a Research Fellowship, awarded through the National Institute for Academic Anaesthesia. Other expenses increased for representation of the Association at European and international conferences and gatherings of anaesthetists. Costs associated with the provision of services were also higher, reflecting the increase of support to Specialised Societies associated with anaesthesia.

The Association maintained the level of donation by Gift Aid to the AAGBI Foundation to advance its educational programme and to support the cost of its activities. The Foundation's charitable activities are central to the Association's commitment to improving patient care through education and research.

The Association increased the investment portfolio related to the Development Fund, which is to fund future developments. Investments values recovered significantly over the year and, at the market prices ruling on 31st March 2010, there were unrealised gains. A new investment manager was appointed during the year and the portfolio restructured. Disposals realised an overall loss, which after deducting previously recognised losses of £85,655, is reported as a gain of £43,314 in the year.

The Association's Investment Committee takes professional advice in the selection of ethical investments and reviews portfolio performance against investment objectives. The Association has set risk objectives, and adopted guidelines on diversification of the portfolio.

Cash is held on deposit as part of reserves to meet future operating costs and grants. Cash balances held through the AAGBI Foundation were reduced during the year and were used to increase the investment portfolio.

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**DIRECTORS' REPORT**

**5 Directors**

The directors who served during the year were as follows:

Dr Richard John Scriven Birks	Dr Ian Gordon Johnston
Dr Valerie Elizabeth Bythell	Dr Janusz Bernard Liban
Dr Paul Anthony Clyburn	Dr Ellen Patricia O'Sullivan
Dr Leslie William Gemmell	Dr Ranjit Verma
Dr Richard Griffiths	Dr Isabeau Alexandra Walker
Dr Andrew James Hartle	Dr Iain Henry Wilson
Dr Felicity Emma Howard	Dr Steven Mark Yentis

The following director served until 2nd July 2009:

Dr Christopher Ian Sutherland Meadows

The following directors served until 24th September 2009:

Dr David George Bogod	Professor John Robert Sneyd
Dr Nicholas Malcolm Denny	Dr David Kenneth Whitaker
Professor Chandra Mohan Kumar	

The following director served from 2nd July 2009:

Dr Susan Louise Williams

The following directors served from 24th September 2009:

Dr Barry John Nicholls	Dr Mansukhlal Tulsidas Popat
Dr Felicity Sarah Plaat	

**6 Political and Charitable Contributions**

During the year the Association made gross charitable contributions of £5,000 to the Royal Medical Benevolent Fund, £1,000 to the Royal Humane Society and £1,050,000 to the AAGBI Foundation.

**7 Re-appointment of Auditors**

Hartley Fowler LLP have expressed their willingness to continue in office. A resolution to re-appoint them has been approved by the directors.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions for small companies under Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

Signed on behalf of the Board

*L W Gemmell* Secretary

Dated *6th August 2010*

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**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION OF ANAESTHETISTS  
OF GREAT BRITAIN AND IRELAND**

We have audited the financial statements of the Association of Anaesthetists of Great Britain and Ireland for the year ended 31st March 2010 on pages 5 to 12. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. 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 auditors' 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 DIRECTORS AND AUDITORS**

As described in the Statement of Directors' Responsibilities set out on page 1, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's Ethical Standards for Auditors.

**SCOPE OF THE AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of: whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the company's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed; the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the directors; and the overall presentation of the financial statements.

**OPINION ON FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of company's affairs as at 31st March 2010 and of its surplus for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

**OPINION ON OTHER MATTERS PRESCRIBED BY THE COMPANIES ACT 2006**

In our opinion the information given in the Directors' Report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements.

**MATTERS ON WHICH WE ARE REQUIRED TO REPORT BY EXCEPTION**

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept;
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records; or
- certain disclosures of directors' remuneration specified by law have not been made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Date: *10th August 2010*  
44 Springfield Road  
Horsham  
West Sussex RH12 2PD

**Ian Gilchrist** (Senior Statutory Auditor)  
*for and on behalf of Hartley Fowler LLP*  
Statutory Auditors  
Chartered Accountants

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*Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended 31st March 2010*

2009 £		<i>Note</i>	£
	<b>Income</b>		
1,531,351	Membership Subscriptions		1,639,525
333,768	Publication of "Anaesthesia"	2	400,761
243,475	Exhibitions	3	235,499
97,094	Investment Income	4	15,168
-	Sponsorship and Donations		13,000
<u>239,256</u>	Services and Other Income		<u>225,592</u>
<u>2,444,944</u>			<u>2,529,545</u>
	<b>Expenditure</b>		
179,461	Publication of "Anaesthesia"	2	194,428
137,986	Exhibitions	3	180,851
53,500	Research		53,356
483,400	Membership and Administrative Expenses	5	477,262
40,959	Accommodation costs		39,520
133,956	Travel, Services and Other Expenses	6	194,493
<u>1,050,000</u>	Grant to AAGBI Foundation		<u>1,050,000</u>
<u>2,079,262</u>			<u>2,189,910</u>
	<b>Surplus of Income over Expenditure before exceptional item and disposal of investments</b>		339,635
(1,213,107)	Exceptional item - gift of investments to AAGBI Foundation		-
<u>(847,425)</u>	<b>Surplus/(deficit) of Income over Expenditure before disposal of investments</b>		<u>339,635</u>
(578,383)	Gain/(loss) on Disposal of Investments		43,314
<u>(1,425,808)</u>	<b>Surplus/(deficit) of Income over Expenditure</b>		<u>382,949</u>
-	Transfer to Development Fund	15	(300,000)
<u>(1,425,808)</u>	Retained Surplus/(deficit) for the year		<u>82,949</u>

**Continuing Operations**

None of the Association's activities were acquired or discontinued during the current or previous years.

Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses

£		£
(1,425,808)	Surplus/(deficit) for the year	82,949
(237,740)	Unrealised Gain/(loss) on Revaluation of Investments	412,969
<u>(1,663,548)</u>	Total Recognised Gains and Losses since last Annual Report	<u>495,918</u>

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*Balance Sheet as at 31st March 2010*

2009 £		<i>Note</i>	£
	<b>Fixed Assets</b>		
	Tangible Assets		
39,682	Furnishings and Office Equipment	<i>9</i>	66,576
39,682			66,576
<u>202,716</u>	Investments	<i>10</i>	<u>1,812,909</u>
<u>242,398</u>			<u>1,879,485</u>
	<b>Current Assets</b>		
9,525	Stock	<i>11</i>	12,728
1,688,835	Debtors	<i>12</i>	436,871
325,645	Cash at Bank and In Hand		662,995
350,000	Loan to AAGBI Foundation	<i>13</i>	350,000
<u>2,374,005</u>			<u>1,462,594</u>
	<b>Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year</b>		
390,730	Subscriptions in Advance		416,265
<u>375,225</u>	Creditors	<i>14</i>	<u>365,103</u>
765,955			<u>781,368</u>
<u>1,608,050</u>	<b>Net Current Assets</b>		<u>681,226</u>
<u>1,850,448</u>	<b>Total Assets less Current Liabilities</b>		<u>2,560,711</u>
	<b>Represented by:</b>		
500,000	Development Fund	<i>15</i>	800,000
(97,521)	Revaluation Reserve	<i>16</i>	315,448
<u>1,447,969</u>	General Fund	<i>17</i>	<u>1,445,263</u>
<u>1,850,448</u>			<u>2,560,711</u>

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions for small companies under Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008).

*R J S Birks* Director

*I G Johnston* Director

*The directors approved the Financial Statements on 6th August 2010.*

The notes form part of these financial statements.

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*Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31st March 2010*

**1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The accounts are prepared under the historical cost convention except for fixed asset investments which are valued at market value.

All individual assets with a cost of more than £100 or forming part of a larger capital project are capitalised and included in the balance sheet at cost, together with assets in the course of development. Depreciation is provided at the following rates on a straight line basis:

Furnishings	10%
Office Equipment	33%

The Association operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions are charged to the Income and Expenditure Account as they become payable under the scheme.

Investments are valued at market value. Unrealised gains or losses are taken to the Revaluation Reserve.

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

The subscription year runs to 30th June and one quarter of the subscriptions received for the year are carried forward as subscriptions paid in advance. No accrual is made for outstanding subscriptions.

**2 PUBLICATION OF "ANAESTHESIA"**

2009			£	
			£	
333,768	Income from Publication		400,761	
<u>179,461</u>	Less: Expenses		<u>194,428</u>	
<u>154,307</u>			<u>206,333</u>	

**3 EXHIBITIONS**

2009			£	
			£	
243,475	Income from Marketing		235,499	
<u>137,986</u>	Less: Expenses		<u>180,851</u>	
<u>105,489</u>			<u>54,648</u>	

The surplus on exhibitions was donated by Gift Aid to the AAGBI Foundation.



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**4 INVESTMENT INCOME**

2009		£
		£
36,598	Interest on Cash Deposits	908
12,600	Fixed Interest Securities	510
<u>47,896</u>	Other Investments	<u>13,750</u>
<u>97,094</u>		<u>15,168</u>

**5 MEMBERSHIP AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES**

2009		£
		£
258,130	<i>Gross Costs</i>	
78,851	Salaries and Other Staff Costs	295,194
137,265	Printing and Office Expenses	74,250
23,853	Travelling Expenses	134,031
46,681	Public and Membership Communication	22,950
9,930	Computer Services	39,236
8,711	Legal and Professional Charges	10,352
<u>21,191</u>	Insurance	<u>8,683</u>
<u>584,612</u>	Depreciation of Office Equipment	<u>16,698</u>
		<u>601,394</u>
	Recovered from AAGBI Foundation	
48,000	Special Activities	50,000
<u>259,306</u>	Administrative Expenses (50%)	<u>265,697</u>
<u>307,306</u>		<u>315,697</u>
277,306	Retained by the Association	285,697
<u>18,000</u>	Special Activities	<u>20,000</u>
259,306	Administrative Expenses (50%)	265,697
37,698	Publications	56,196
13,777	Standing Committee expenses	10,590
39,561	Meetings - sundry expenses	51,010
50,056	Personal Accident Insurance for members	50,483
7,121	Linkman Conference	3,622
44,493	Legal and Professional Charges	23,337
26,038	Other Governance Costs	11,427
<u>5,350</u>	Audit Fee	<u>4,900</u>
<u>483,400</u>		<u>477,262</u>

Administrative costs for common services are shared with the AAGBI Foundation. The remaining costs related to membership and administration have been directly attributed, such as printing publications and governance.

Standing Committee income, reported under Services and Other Income, offsets their costs.

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**6 TRAVEL, SERVICES AND OTHER EXPENSES**

2009		£
		£
19,545	Travelling Abroad	48,252
8,578	Subscription – WFSA	8,530
3,335	Subscription – ESA	3,240
45,110	Specialist Society Support	73,192
8,033	Investment Management Fees	8,520
46,355	Rechargeable and Miscellaneous Expenses	46,759
2,000	Donation - Royal Medical Benevolent Fund	5,000
<u>1,000</u>	Donation - Royal Humane Society	<u>1,000</u>
<u>133,956</u>		<u>194,493</u>

**7 EMPLOYEE COSTS**

The average number of people employed by the Association during the year was eight, including Specialist Societies support (2009: 7). The payroll costs comprised:

2009		£
		£
230,999	Salaries	291,085
24,682	Social Security Costs	31,341
<u>17,864</u>	Pension Costs	<u>26,299</u>
<u>273,545</u>		<u>348,725</u>

The Association operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions are made for eligible staff and assets are held in independently administered funds.

**8 TAXATION**

There is no liability to Corporation Tax arising on the surplus for the year ended 31st March 2010 (2009: Nil). Provision for deferred tax is not required.

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**9 FURNISHINGS AND OFFICE EQUIPMENT**

2009		Furniture & Furnishings	Office Equipment	Total £
525,307	Cost at beginning of year	95,342	437,291	532,633
(11,035)	Disposals this year at cost	-	(8,160)	(8,160)
14,761	Additions this year at cost	925	13,979	14,904
<u>3,600</u>	Development costs	<u>-</u>	<u>33,734</u>	<u>33,734</u>
<u>532,633</u>	Cost at end of year	<u>96,267</u>	<u>476,844</u>	<u>573,111</u>
	<b>Depreciation</b>			
477,841	Provided at beginning of year	70,482	422,469	492,951
(11,035)	Disposals this year	-	(8,160)	(8,160)
<u>26,145</u>	Charge for the year	<u>5,046</u>	<u>16,698</u>	<u>21,744</u>
<u>492,951</u>	Provision at end of year	<u>75,528</u>	<u>431,007</u>	<u>506,535</u>
<u>39,682</u>	Net Book Value at end of year	<u>20,739</u>	<u>45,837</u>	<u>66,576</u>

Costs incurred in redeveloping the Association's website have been capitalised and depreciation will be charged on completion of the project.

**10 INVESTMENTS**

2009 £		£
1,962,112	Market value at beginning of year	202,716
1,031,806	Additions - at cost	1,480,407
(2,553,462)	Disposals	(283,183)
<u>(237,740)</u>	Net unrealised gains or losses on revaluation	<u>412,969</u>
<u>202,716</u>	Market value at end of year	<u>1,812,909</u>
	<i>Analysis of investments - at cost</i>	
122,807	Investment and Unit Trusts - UK listed	699,828
169,014	Shares - UK Listed	677,513
<u>8,416</u>	Fixed Interest Securities	<u>120,119</u>
<u>300,237</u>		<u>1,497,460</u>

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**11 STOCK**

2009			£
			£
6,115	Medals		8,943
<u>3,410</u>	Souvenirs for sale		<u>3,785</u>
<u>9,525</u>			<u>12,728</u>

**12 DEBTORS**

2009			£
			£
175,168	Trade Debtors		82,832
1,409,151	AAGBI Foundation		281,416
76,610	Other Debtors		35,345
<u>27,906</u>	Prepayments		<u>37,278</u>
<u>1,688,835</u>			<u>436,871</u>

**13 LOAN TO THE AAGBI FOUNDATION**

The loan to the AAGBI Foundation is unsecured and repayable on demand.

**14 CREDITORS**

2009			£
			£
<i>Amounts falling due within one year</i>			
34,506	Trade Creditors		10,670
241,534	Other Creditors and Accruals		271,152
18,735	Receipts in Advance		19,597
55,000	Grant for future publications		30,000
<u>25,450</u>	Taxes and Social Security Costs		<u>33,684</u>
<u>375,225</u>			<u>365,103</u>

**15 DEVELOPMENT FUND**

2009			£
			£
500,000	At beginning of year		500,000
<u>-</u>	Transfer from Income and Expenditure		<u>300,000</u>
<u>500,000</u>	At end of year		<u>800,000</u>

The Development Fund is a designated fund established to promote the future development of the specialty of anaesthesia.

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**16 REVALUATION RESERVE**

2009		
£		£
140,219	At beginning of year	(97,521)
<u>(237,740)</u>	Movement during the year	<u>412,969</u>
<u>(97,521)</u>	At end of year	<u>315,448</u>

**17 GENERAL FUND**

2009		
£		£
2,717,447	At beginning of year	1,447,969
(1,425,808)	Surplus/(deficit) for the year	82,949
<u>156,330</u>	Transfer of realised gain/(loss)	<u>(85,655)</u>
<u>1,447,969</u>	At end of year	<u>1,445,263</u>

The Association is prohibited by its Memorandum of Association from paying a dividend to its members. The company is controlled by its members and managed by a Council elected by the members.

**18 FUTURE CAPITAL EXPENDITURE**

There were no amounts contracted but not provided for in the accounts.