

Shareholder information

Annual general meetings

The annual general meeting will be held at 11.00 am on Thursday, 24th July 2003 at the Queen Elizabeth II Conference Centre, Broad Sanctuary, Westminster, London. Each shareholder is entitled to attend and vote at the meeting, the arrangements for which are described in a separate notice.

The proposed date of the annual general meeting next year is 22nd July 2004.

Dividend payments

The proposed final dividend (if approved) will be paid on 22nd August 2003 to shareholders registered on 20th June 2003. Most shareholders (excluding those in Canada and the USA) will have the opportunity to reinvest their cash dividend in existing shares bought on the London Stock Exchange through a dividend reinvestment plan. All applications to join that plan or amend existing instructions under it must be received by the company's registrars by 5.00 pm on 1st August 2003.

The expected dividend payment dates for the year to 31st March 2004 are:

Interim dividend	February 2004
Final dividend	August 2004

Results

For the year to 31st March 2004:

Interim results announced	November 2003
Interim statement circulated	November 2003
Preliminary announcement of full year results	May 2004
Annual report circulated	June 2004

Capital gains tax

For capital gains tax purposes, the market price of the company's ordinary shares of 25p each on 31st March 1982 was 112.5p.

Low cost share dealing services

Details of special low cost dealing services in the company's shares may be obtained from:

- **Hoare Govett Limited** (telephone 020 7678 8300)
- **Natwest Stockbrokers** (telephone 0870 600 2050)

Both Hoare Govett Limited and Natwest Stockbrokers are regulated by the Financial Services Authority and members of the London Stock Exchange and have approved the references to themselves solely for the purposes of section 21(2)(b) of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 only.

Registrar and transfer office

Computershare Investor Services PLC, PO Box 82, The Pavilions, Bridgwater Road, Bristol BS99 7NH. Telephone 0870 702 0148.

Company secretary and registered office

M J Oliver, Boots Group PLC, Nottingham NG2 3AA. Telephone 0115 950 6111.

Boots Group PLC is registered in England and Wales (No. 4452715).

Analysis of shareholders at 31st March 2003:

Shareholding range	Number	%	Total holding	%
1–500	47,838	41.12	10,788,434	1.33
501–1,000	27,145	23.33	20,642,816	2.53
1,001–10,000	38,881	33.42	97,976,635	12.02
10,001–100,000	1,883	1.62	48,680,645	5.97
100,001–1,000,000	464	0.40	145,142,871	17.81
Over 1,000,000	128	0.11	491,852,996	60.34
	116,339	100.00	815,084,397	100.00