

TRADER TALK

■ MICRO-cap trader and tipster Tom Winnifrith has ramped up his stake in event management, promotions and celebrity agency First Artist Corporation from 1.45 million shares to two million or 5.02% worth £220,000. The shares are held in his SF Tips Smaller Companies Growth fund, one of the most successful funds in the sector since it launched three years ago. Winnifrith is a former journalist and tipster, who edits the website tips.com. His biography claims an average 68% upside on stocks he has tipped but gives little further detail. Shares in the company rose 17.33% last week, on news US marketing and merchandising group Pivot Entertainment had agreed to invest \$4 million (£2.5 million) in the business and take an equity stake. The capital will reportedly be used by the company to pay down liabilities related to previous buy-outs.