

Best&Less Group



EXECUTIVE CHAIR'S ADDRESS JASON MURRAY





FY22 OVERVIEW

RESILIENT BUSINESS DELIVERING STRONG RETURNS THROUGH THE CYCLE

Revenue

\$622.2m

(FY21: \$663.2m)

Online sales +15.6% yoy

LFL revenue growth

-0.7%

Q4: +6.4%

Gross margin

49.1%

(FY21: 48.9%)

Gross profit: \$305.4m

Net cash

\$36.7m

(FY21: \$35.7m)

Inventory: \$95.0m

EBITDA

\$62.5m

(FY21: \$71.6m)

EBITDA margin

10.0%

(FY21: 10.8%)

NPAT

\$41.1m

(FY21: \$47.0m)

EPS: 29.2¢3

Dividend

12¢ per share

8.8% dividend yield⁴ 79.8% payout ratio⁵

Pro forma financials for the 53 weeks ended 3 July 2022 (FY22: 52 weeks). See page 22 for Statutory to pro forma

All comparisons relate to the prior corresponding period (pcp) unless otherwise stated.

Statutory earnings per share.

Based on the 29 August 2022 closing share price of \$2.62.



艮

OPERATING HIGHLIGHTS

DISCIPLINED EXECUTION DELIVERS STRONG MARGIN PERFORMANCE

- Core non-discretionary lines drive significantly improved performance in H2
- Strong sales momentum in Q4 with LFL sales up +6.4%
- Adapted effectively to changing consumer behaviour due to COVID
- Managed operational disruption from elevated absenteeism as a result of COVID
- More than 2,500 new team members onboarded
- Impact of inflation and supply chain disruption well managed
- Product Lifecycle Management (PLM) system implemented
- Cybersecurity audit and systems upgrade
- POS replacement project underway, with discovery, scoping and solution design completed
- Australian Cotton sourcing and tracing established, with volume committed for FY23



OPERATING ENVIRONMENT



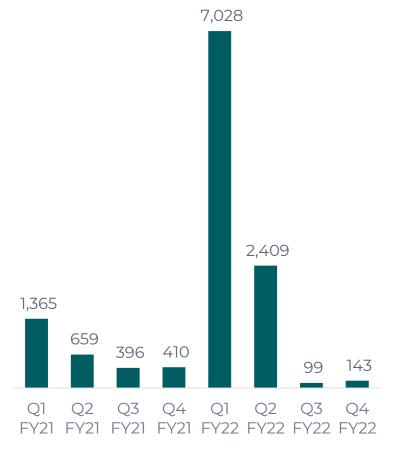
SUPPORTING OUR CUSTOMERS, PEOPLE AND COMMUNITIES

- 9,679 (10.8%) total trading days lost in FY22 result in over \$50 million of lost sales vs. plan
- Mount Druitt, Toormina, Gympie and Lismore stores closed for extended periods due to storms and flooding
- Foot traffic and consumer behaviour impacted post-lockdowns
- New store openings delayed due to availability of trades and materials

OUR RESPONSE

- Reopened 44 NSW stores during lockdown for essential products
- Introduced diverse store fulfilment options to mitigate sales impact
- Adjusted orders and moved inventory with agility
- Reduced CODB to offset impact of lower sales and support strong EBITDA outcome
- Supply chain, shipping and labour costs well managed
- Paid COVID-19 leave and vaccination leave to support team members

Lost trading days by quarter



COMMITTED TO SUSTAINABILITY



QUALITY AND SAFETY

- 100-day guarantee
- Quality Assurance team
- · Reputable safety record



ETHICAL SOURCING

- Modern Slavery Statement
- 252 supplier audits¹
- Workers Grievance Hotline
- PLM implementation
- Sedex membership



LIVING WAGES

- Living Wage Statement
- · Gap analysis conducted
- Next step open costings to identify labour component



SUSTAINABILITY

- Materiality assessment for ESG framework
- All packaging re-usable, recyclable or compostable by 2025
- Integrating UN SDGs²
- GOTS³ certified organic cotton range
- Carbon audit complete
- Silver membership of NSW Sustainability Advantage program
- Australian Cotton sourcing and volume commitment for FY22



COMMUNITY

- Supported Australian charities through Good360
- Supported Givit Flood Appeal
- Supported Next Steps



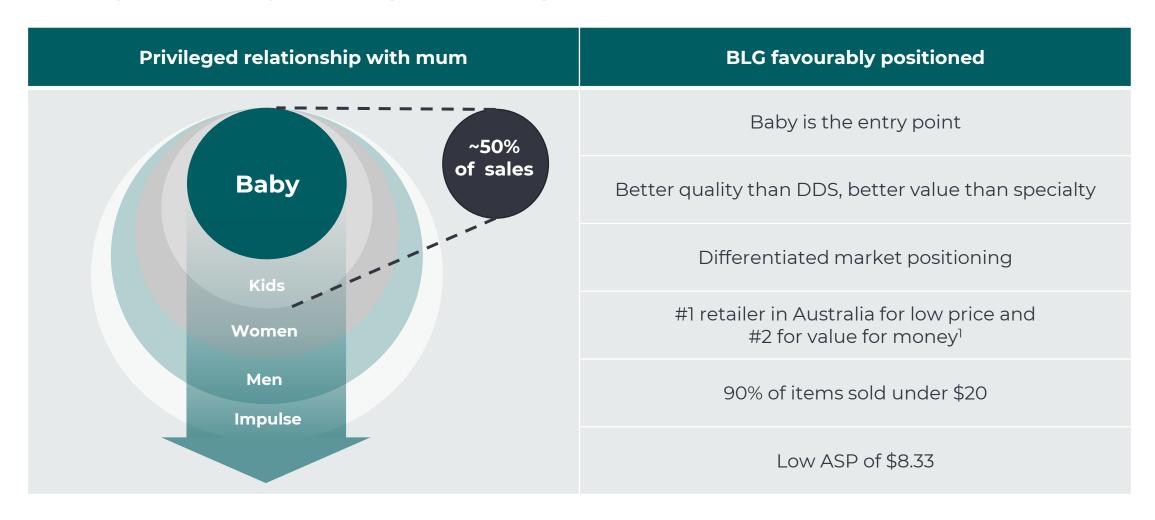
ANIMAL WELFARE

No fur or leather used in our garments





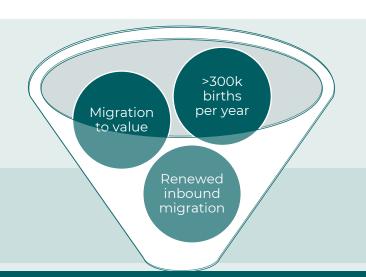
OPPORTUNITY FROM ACCELERATED MIGRATION TO VALUE





STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

Value market growth drivers



Market share initiatives

Increase share in baby

Increase share in kids

Increase share in womenswear Above market online sales growth

Targeted store network expansion

Enhance data capability and CRM to improve customer experience and drive loyalty

Strategic enablers

Further our commitment to operating sustainably

Proactively manage gross margin, CODB and working capital

Outcomes

Increased sales, stable GM%, CODB leverage

Sustainable growth in EBITDA, EBIT and NPAT

Increase cash flow and dividends

FY23 TRADING UPDATE & OUTLOOK





- Through 20 weeks of trading in H1, total sales +22.8% vs. first 20 weeks of FY221
- LFL sales -7.4% overall, with store LFL sales -2.3% and online sales -32.9%
- Total sales growth less than +38.0% reported for the first eight weeks of FY23
- Starting to gain sales momentum, but delayed start to summer, higher cost of living for core customer base and cycling inflated post-lockdown sales in Q2 FY22 has impacted sales growth
- Major shopping season ahead with Black Friday and Christmas, with ~60% of first half profits typically recorded in final six weeks
- Unaudited YTD earnings to end October in line with PCP, but significant step up in sales required to maintain result to end H1
- Inventory position remains excellent, with aged stock only 1.8% and nearly all seasonal stock newly arrived summer stock expected to trade well into Q3
- ASP remains above PCP, supporting a robust gross margin, with costs being managed carefully
- With benefit of sales deferred to H2, expect H2 sales to exceed PCP and gross margin percentage to be in line with PCP



IMPORTANT NOTICE AND DISCLAIMER

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The material in this presentation has been prepared by Best & Less Group Holdings Limited (ASX:BST) ABN 76 642 843 221 ("BLG" or the Company") and is general background information about BLG's activities, current as at the date of this presentation. By reviewing/attending this presentation, you agree to be bound by the following conditions.

No representation or warranty, expressed or implied, is made as to the fairness, accuracy, completeness or correctness of the information, opinions and conclusions contained in this presentation. To the maximum extent permitted by law none of BLG, its subsidiaries, or their respective officers, employees, agents or consultants nor any other person accepts any liability, including, without limitation, any liability arising out of the fault or negligence, for any loss or damage arising from the use of this presentation or information contained in it, including any error or omission in connection with it.

The information in this presentation is given in summary form and does not purport to be complete in every aspect. In particular you are cautioned not to place undue reliance on any forward-looking statements regarding our belief, intent or expectations with respect to BLG's businesses, market conditions and/or results of operations, as although due care has been used in the preparation of such statements, actual results may vary in a material manner. Information in this presentation or subsequently provided to a recipient of this presentation, whether orally or in writing, including forecast financial information, should not be considered advice or a recommendation to investors or potential investors in relation to holding, purchasing or selling securities in the Company.

This presentation is for information purposes only and is not a prospectus or product disclosure statement, financial product or investment advice or a recommendation to acquire BLG shares or other securities. It has been prepared without taking into account the objectives, financial situation or needs of individuals. Before acting on any information you should consider the appropriateness of the information having regard to these matters, any relevant offer document and in particular, you should seek independent financial advice.

The financial information should be read in conjunction with the Company's financial statements and BLG's other periodic and continuous disclosure announcements.

Forward-looking statements

This presentation may contain forward-looking statements which are statements that may be identified by words such as "may", "will", "would", "could", "expects", "intends", "anticipates", and other similar words that involve risks and uncertainties. These statements are based on an assessment of present economic and operating conditions and on a number of best estimate assumptions regarding future events and actions that, at the date of this document, are expected to take place. No person who has made any forward-looking statements in this document has any intention to update or revise forward-looking statements, or to publish prospective financial information in the future, regardless of whether new information, future events or any other factors affect the information contained in this document, other than to the extent required by law or any relevant stock exchange listing rules. Such forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance and involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties, assumptions and other important factors, many of which are beyond the control of the Company.

This presentation also contains references to certain intentions, expectations and plans of the Company. These intentions, expectations and plans may or may not be achieved. They are based on certain assumptions which may not be met or on which views may differ.