# LBC MEDIA PLC

### HALF YEAR RESULTS 2022

21 SEPTEMBER 2022







## H1 2022 SUMMARY



£24.8m Revenue +8% yoy **£1.6**m Adj. EBITDA (78%) yoy **£28.6m** Net cash H1 21: £12.6m

**3x** 

Increase in international revenue

35.8bn Content views +38% yoy **315m** Global audience +62m yoy

## **ADVERTISING MARKET TRENDS**





### Continued growth forecast for global advertising market<sup>1</sup>



### US has world's largest advertising spend<sup>2</sup>



Mobile social media is the UK's fastest growing advertising market<sup>3</sup>



UK adults spend on average 4 hours a day viewing online content<sup>3</sup>

Source: 1. Dentsu Ad spend report July 2022. 2. Emarketer. 3. Ofcom Online Nation Report 202

## PROGRESS AGAINST OUR THREE GROWTH PILLARS



#### **01** Geographies

International follower growth of 37% in the period<sup>1</sup>



#### **3x increase in international revenue**

1. Follower growth on Instagram platform for all geographies excluding UK

#### **02** Acquisitions

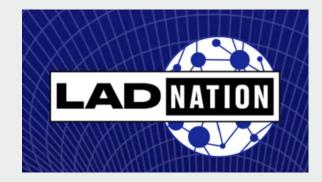
Small bolt on acquisition of Go Animals, rebranded to Furry Tails



Focus on expanding our target audience and diversifying genres

03 Capabilities

TikTok now over 34m followers, up 26% in the period



Continued to scale LADnation, our youth panel, with >50,000 members

### US OPERATIONS EXPANDING OUR PRESENCE

Already reach 1/3 of US adults across our existing channels<sup>1</sup>

Solid foundation from which to build a presence in a large market

**Opportunity to begin to monetise our US operations** 

Investing in a team of people, including content creators and relationship managers, to drive Direct revenue



1. Reach = viewed or interacted with content in a 1 month period. 2. Source: Statista





# **Arian Kalantari** COO

### CONTINUED GROWTH OF AUDIENCE





GROWTH IN FOLLOWERS



GROWTH IN VIEWS



TIKTOK FOLLOWERS

SIGNIFICANT INCREASE IN WEB TRAFFIC IN THE US

**CONTINUED GROWTH IN AUSTRALIA & IRELAND** 









# WE ARE AT THE HEART OF YOUTH CULTURE



### **CULTURAL MOMENTS**



### **BREAKING NEWS**



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SHOW FORMATS



### SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

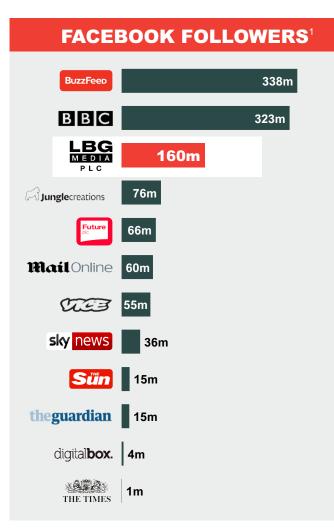


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SUPPORTING LGBTQIA+

### UNRIVALLED ENGAGEMENT VS COMPETITORS



#### INTERACTIONS



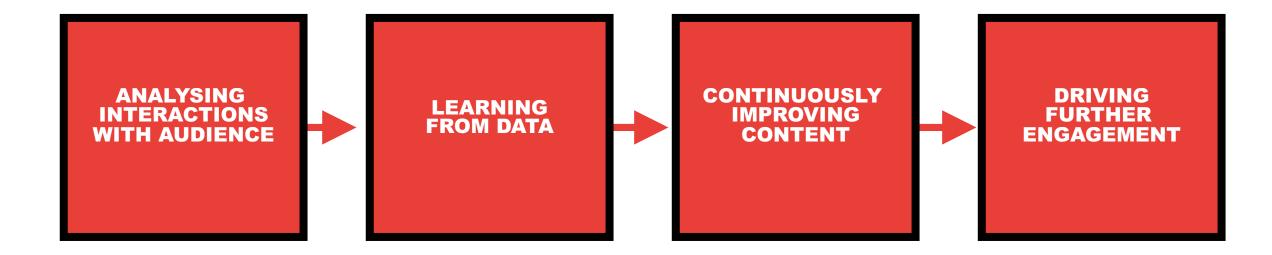
# **CAPTURING A HARD TO REACH AUDIENCE 60%** 18-34 year olds in UK **60%** GENDER SPLIT 40% 457M GLOBAL REACH

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1 Source: CrowdTangle. Note data is for Facebook only,

### DATA FEEDBACK ANALYSIS & LEARNING



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## MONETISATION



#### CUSTOMERS

**BRAND OWNERS** Repeat business with a roster of blue chip multinational clients

#### MEDIA AGENCIES

Working with all the major agency groups

#### **ROUTES TO MARKET** REVENUE DIRECT £13.6m £10.6m Bespoke full funnel marketing INDIRECT DIRECT **HY22** Consideration Awareness intrigue inspire REVENUE 00strong creative team **INDIRECT** £0.6m Programmatic advertising OTHER via via SOCIAL MEDIA **AD EXCHANGES** DIVERSIFIED **PLATFORMS** 💦 AppNexus 🛛 💙 DenX $\mathbf{O}$ **REVENUE MODEL** O rubicon PubMatic

# SOCIAL CONSULTANCY



PIONEERING PARTNERSHIP WITH VODAFONE TO TAKE OVER VOXI SOCIAL CHANNELS

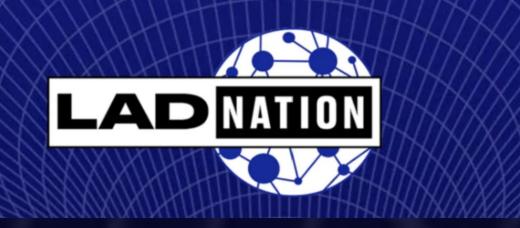
### CREATING BRANDED CONTENT FOR THEIR TARGET UNDER 25 AUDIENCE

PUBLISHING ACROSS TIKTOK, INSTAGRAM AND TWITTER



### LAUNCH OF LADNATION





WHAT IS THE LADNATION PANEL? More than an ordinary research panel

WE'VE GREATED A COMMUNITY FOR OUR PEOPLE TO BE HEARD, GIVE FEEDBACK AND INFLUENCE THE FUTURE.

### **AN ENGAGED COMMUNITY OF OVER 50,000 PEOPLE**

OFFERING PARTNER BRANDS INSIGHTS, CREATIVE TESTING, BRAND TRACKING AND EFFECTIVENESS MEASURING



# **Tim Croston** CFO

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### **CONTINUED REVENUE GROWTH AND DIVERSIFICATION**

**TOTAL REVENUE** 30 £m 25 20 15 24.8 23.0 10 12.5 5 9.9 0 H1 2019 H1 2020 H1 2021 H1 2022 30%

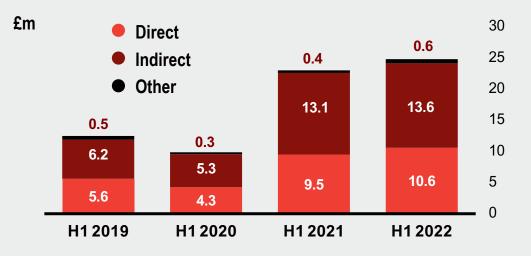
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Since H1 2018

**8%** YOY GROWTH vs H1 2021

**Growth** driven by investment into technology and people for in-house content production

### DIVERSIFIED REVENUE STREAMS



### Direct

Strong growth in International, especially Australia

### Indirect

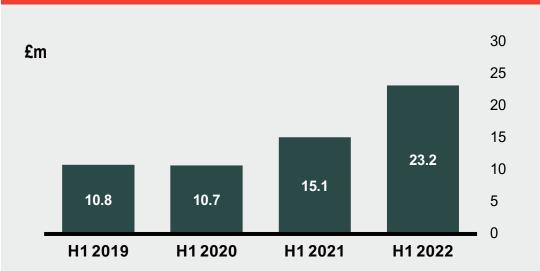
Increased content volumes partially offset by reduced revenue reflecting economic environment



COSTS



#### MANAGEMENT OF COSTS<sup>1</sup>



#### **Continued investment** into technology and people to drive growth in content and audience

#### **Focus on**

disciplined cost management whilst investing to capitalise on growth opportunities

#### **INCREASE IN COSTS TO SUPPORT GROWTH**

Cost of sales up 67% (c.15% of total costs) Content acquisition to support growth in views Payroll up 36% (c.60% of total costs) Around 2/3 due to hires in H2 2021 annualising

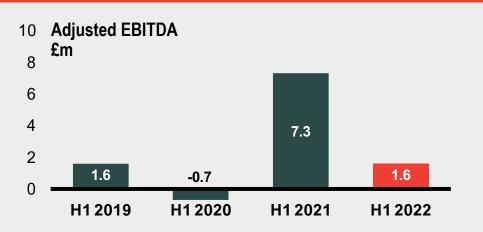
Overheads up 100% (c.25% of total costs) With investment in marketing and physical events which didn't go ahead during the prior period due to lockdown restrictions

1. Net operating expenses before depreciation, amortisation, loss on disposal of assets, share based payments and exceptional costs/income

# PROFITABILITY & CASH GENERATION

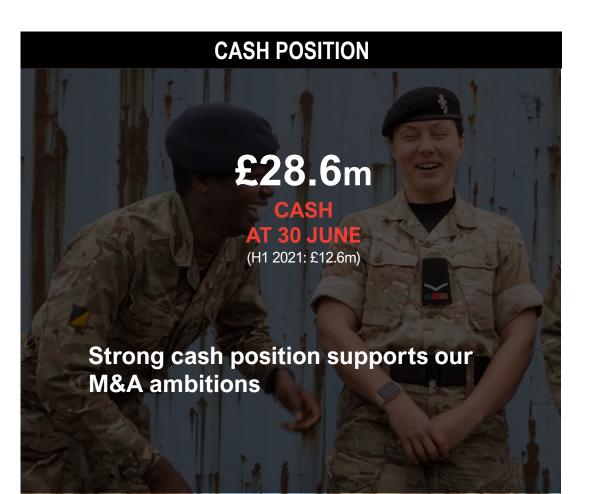
#### LBG MEDIA PLC







**7%** EBITDA MARGIN H1 2021: 32%





#### GUIDANCE

- Improving momentum in indirect revenues, expected to continue throughout seasonally stronger second half
- Direct bookings showing good momentum, although advertisers making decisions with shorter lead times given uncertainty around consumer demand
- Results for full year expected to be broadly in line with market expectations
- With investments made in the first half and end of year peak advertising, profitability is expected to be heavily second half weighted



# **Solly Solomou** CEO

### SUMMARY



**Delivered 8% revenue growth** 

Significant global audience growth of 25%

**Progressing our US plans**, set to commence operations in 2023

With a focus on the longer term, continue to invest where we see clear growth opportunities

Well positioned for the future as we execute our growth strategy



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### **APPENDICES**

### **PROFIT & LOSS**



#### **Historical Financial Performance**

	H1 Jun 2021 £'000	Y/e Dec 2021 £'000	H1 Jun 2022 £'000
Revenue	23,006	54,502	24,763
Growth rate (%)		81%	8%
Net operating expenses	(17,352)	(46,255)	(26,577)
Operating Profit/(loss)	5,654	8,247	(1,814)
Margin (%)	25%	15.1%	(7)%
Net finance costs	(132)	(232)	(57)
Share of JV profits	70	115	(46)
Profit/(loss) before taxation	5,592	8,130	(1,917)
Adjusted EBITDA	7,311	16,757	1,637
Margin (%)	32%	30.7%	7%
Depreciation	(648)	(1,332)	(677)
Amortisation	(402)	(793)	(366)
Share based payment charge	(115)		(2,408)
Exceptional (costs) / income	(492)	(4,858)	-
Operating Profit/(loss)	5,654	8,247	(1,814)

### **BALANCE SHEET**



#### Jun 2021 Y/e Dec 2021 Jun 2022 **Historical Financial Performance** £'000 £'000 £'000 Goodwill & other intangibles 14,652 15,374 14,558 Property, plant & equipment 4.188 3.705 4.038 Investment in JV 315 314 359 Other 1,643 469 574 Deferred tax asset 61 -NON CURRENT ASSETS 20,859 19,091 20,300 Trade and current assets 12,245 15,153 14,733 434 Current tax asset Cash & cash equivalents 12,590 34,338 28,554 **CURRENT ASSETS** 24,835 49,491 43,721 **TOTAL ASSETS** 45,694 68,582 64,021 Lease liabilities 3,187 2,648 2,474 Interest bearing loans and borrowings 8,772 920 618 Deferred tax liability -Provisions 210 209 214 NON CURRENT LIABILITIES 12,169 3,777 3,306 Lease liabilities 1,318 1,111 1,364 2.952 Interest bearing loans and borrowings Trade & other payables 7,797 11,209 6,835 Current tax liabilities 2,151 204 **CURRENT LIABILITIES** 14,218 8,199 12,524 26,387 **TOTAL LIABILITIES** 16,301 11,505 **TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES** 45,694 68,582 64,021

### CASHFLOW



#### **Historical Financial Performance**

	Period ended 30 June 2022 £'000	Period ended 30 June 2021 £'000	Year ended 31 December 2021 £'000
Cash flows from operating activities			
Cash (used)/generated from operations	(2,900)	7,435	13,004
Tax (paid)/received	(803)	290	(678)
Net cash (used)/generated from operating activities	(3,703)	7,725	12,326
Cash flows from investing activities			
Purchase of intangible assets	(1,147)	-	(295)
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(315)	(146)	(353)
Repayment of loan	-	1,204	1,204
Loans to Directors	-	(1,200)	(2,700)
Repayment of loan by Directors	-	-	2,700
Net cash (used)/generated in investing activities	(1,462)	(142)	556
Cash flows from financing activities			
Repayment of borrowings	-	(1,476)	(13,200)
Lease payments	(584)	(315)	(1,055)
Costs incurred on IPO charged to share premium	-	-	(990)
Proceeds from share issue	-	-	30,000
Proceeds from share options vested	-	-	14
Interest paid	(60)	(139)	(250)
Net cash (used)/generated in financing activities	(644)	(1,930)	14,519
Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents	(5,809)	5,653	27,401
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the period	34,338	6,937	6,937
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	25	-	-
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period	28,554	12,590	34,338



# Thank you

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