

### **2013 Full Year Results**

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### Introduction



- ☐ FLT's growth record extended during 2012/13
- Record financial results achieved PBT has exceeded prior year 16 times in 18 years since listing
- Strong shareholder returns − 5<sup>th</sup> best performing ASX Top 200 stock during 2012/13 (based on market cap growth)
- Ongoing business expansion and investment in key projects
- □ Focused on the future and targeting further growth in 2013/14

# 2012/13: Result snapshot



- **□** 7.7% TTV growth to \$14.3b sales growth exceeded network growth rate
- 18.2% underlying PBT growth to \$343.1m (actual PBT up 20.3% to \$349.2m)
- **■** 20% underlying NPAT growth to \$240m (actual NPAT up 23% to \$246.1m)
- Investment in expansion, L&D and key projects, including blended travel and travel agent to travel retailer evolution, to drive future earnings

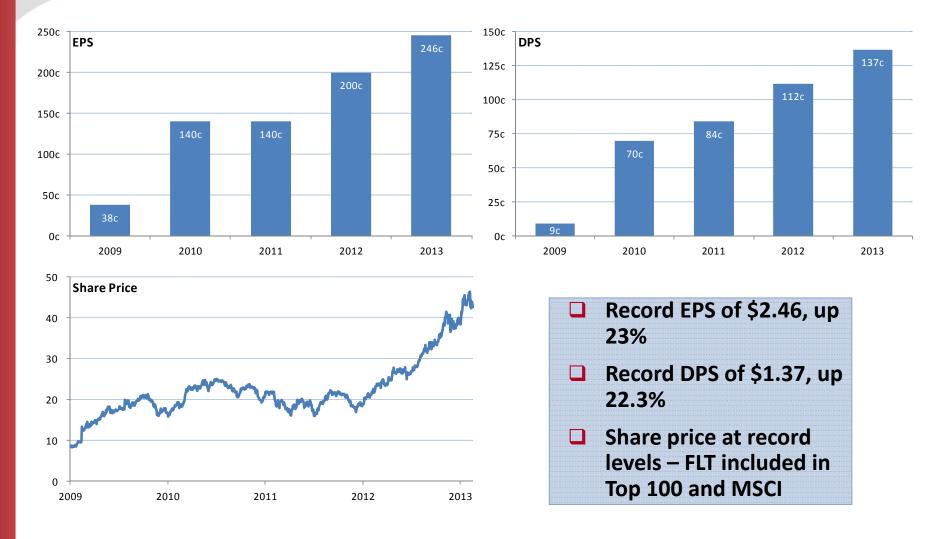
### 2012/13: Solid cash performance



- □ \$1.26b global cash and investment portfolio at June 30, 2013
- Includes \$433.8m in general funds (company cash) up from \$400.8m at June 12 and \$160.9m at June 09
- □ Debt lowered to \$46.2m after \$USD60m loan repaid (Liberty acquisition)
- Strong positive net debt position of \$387.6m
- □ \$370m operating cash inflow (FY12: \$341m) rapid accumulation during 2H13 for payment to suppliers during 1H14 (normal seasonal pattern)
- FY13 dividends of \$1.37 per share more than \$400m returned to shareholders via dividends alone during past four years

# 2012/13: Improved shareholder returns





# 2012/13: Result summary



RESULTS IN BRIEF	JUNE 2013	JUNE 2012	Variance %
\$' million			
TTV	\$14.3b	\$13.2b	7.7%
Gross Profit	\$1,986m	\$1,827m	8.7%
Income margin	13.9%	13.8%	10bps
Net margin (underlying)	2.4%	2.2%	20bps
Profit Before Tax (actual)	\$349.2m	\$290.4m	20.3%
Abnormal items*	\$6.1m	-	-
Profit Before Tax (underlying)	\$343.1m	\$290.4m	18.2%
Net Profit After Tax (actual)	\$246.1m	\$200.1m	23.0%
Net Profit After Tax (underlying)	\$240.0m	\$200.1m	20.0%
Effective tax rate	29.5%	31.1%	
Dividends	_		
Interim Dividend	46.0c	41.0c	12.2%
Final Dividend	91.0c	71.0c	28.2%

<sup>\* 2013</sup> abnormal item: \$6.1 in non-cash gains relating to FLT's head office properties

# 2012/13: Five-year growth trajectory



	JUNE 2013	JUNE 2012	JUNE 2011	JUNE 2010	JUNE 2009
TTV	\$14,259m	\$13,238m	\$12,200m	\$10,894m	\$11,242m
Income margin	13.9%	13.8%	13.8%	14.3%	13.6%
EBITDA	\$395.2m	\$330.7m	\$256.9m	\$257.3m	\$86.3m
PBT	\$349.2m	\$290.4m	\$213.1m	\$198.5m	\$40.4m
NPAT	\$246.1m	\$200.1m	\$139.8m	\$139.9m	\$38.2m
EPS	245.6c	200.1c	140.0c	140.3c	38.3c
DPS	137.0c	112.0c	84.0c	70.0c	9.0c
ROE	24.0%	23.3%	18.9%	19.7%	6.2%
Cap-ex	\$51.4m	\$55.5m	\$47.1m	\$20.5m	\$70.4m
Building acquisitions	-	\$0.1m	\$0.6m	-	\$10.4m
Selling staff	12,701	12,130	11,460	10,267	9,469
General cash	\$433.8m	\$400.8m	\$376.8m	\$322.3m	\$160.9m
Client cash	\$793.2m	\$631.7m	\$513.6m*	\$504.4m*	\$531.8m
Cash and cash equivalents	\$1,227.0m	\$1,032.5m	\$890.4m	\$826.7m	\$692.7m
AFS investments & other financial assets	\$36.8m	\$59.9m	\$64.9m	\$96.2m	\$93.4m
Cash and investments	\$1,263.8m	\$1,092.4m	\$955.3m	\$922.9m	\$786.1m

<sup>\*</sup> Client cash has been restated to reflect equal and offsetting overstatement of client cash and creditors. No real cash impact, no impact at a net current asset or net asset level and no income statement impact

<sup>^</sup> June 2010 selling staff numbers restated to include India

## 2012/13: Result drivers



### **Business growth**

- **□** 5% sales network expansion 27% growth in corporate and leisure BDMs
- 2500<sup>th</sup> shop opened in July 13, 500<sup>th</sup> corporate business to open in FY14 (Corporate Traveller's 21<sup>st</sup> year)

#### **Margin improvement**

- □ Slight increase in income margin 13.9%
- **■** 2.4% underlying net margin achieved best result since 2002
- Ongoing cost control focus lower average rent per shop, lower sales and marketing spend (but likely to return to normal growth pattern during FY14)

#### **New initiatives enhancing productivity**

Universal Desktop, Flight Express, "Big Easy" projects, Blended Travel

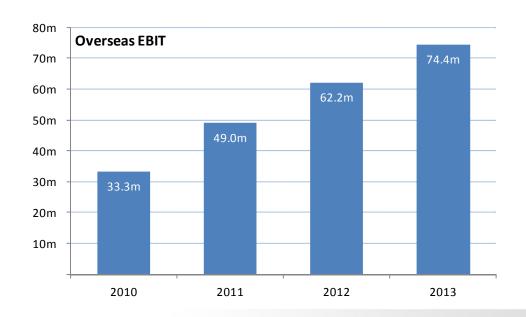
### **Diversity**

■ All 10 countries profitable for third consecutive year – record EBIT in five

# 2012/13: Diversified earnings



- Sales growth in all 10 countries in local currency
- Record EBIT in Australia, UK, USA, Greater China and Singapore
- Combined overseas EBIT up 20% to circa \$75million
- Mixing business with leisure sales growing in both sectors
- ☐ Global corporate brands generated 31% of group turnover (2009: 23%). Does not include corporate business that is transacted in FLT's leisure shops



Overseas EBIT has grown at a CAGR of 31% since 2010

### 2012/13: Segment result – Australia

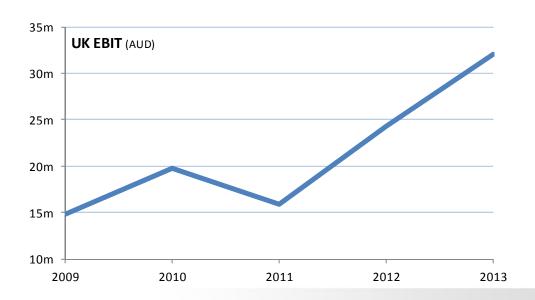


- Record EBIT surpassed quarter of a billion dollars for first time
- TTV up 9% and aiming for higher growth in future
- Good leisure results, particularly during 2H
- EBIT from niche leisure brands almost doubled during 2012/13
- □ Corporate travel brands turned over more than \$2b
- □ Strategies initiated to fast-track corporate TTV growth larger BDM network
- Sales growing both off and online − flightcentre.com.au TTV up more than
  20% after being upgraded as part of blended travel model

### 2012/13: Segment result – UK



- **□** \$32million EBIT result exceeded prior record (2011/12) by 32%
- Main profit driver outside Australia and third largest sales generator
- ☐ Gaining share in market that has contracted since 2009 recession
- Leisure and corporate profits both up, but stronger leisure performance
- Specialisation and hyperstore strategies working well in leisure sector
- More efficient corporate business profit growth exceeded TTV growth
- Plan in place to double UK TTV to GBP1.5b between 2012 and 2017



EBIT has doubled in past two years and grown at a CAGR of 21% since 2009

### 2012/13: Segment result – USA



- EBIT up 11% to record \$10.9m third consecutive full year profit
- Corporate the major driver (40% of TTV), Liberty and GOGO also profitable
- US corporate now FLT's largest individual division by sales outside Australia and a top 10 US travel manager, but only represented in 15 cities
- Four new cities Philadelphia, Houston, Denver and San Diego added
- First US hyperstore in Madison Avenue performing well after October 2012 opening, now home to 9 teams (7 brands)
- Hyperstore trading 8am-8pm weekdays and 9am-6pm weekends
- Positive trends in GOGO (external wholesale) during 2H
- Monitoring goodwill on acquired Liberty and GOGO businesses

## 2012/13: Segment result – rest of world



#### **New Zealand**

- EBIT up 84% and 3rd largest profit contribution to FLT group during FY13
- Estimated 25% travel agency market-share and expanding in niche areas

#### **South Africa**

■ Good contribution – currency impact on EBIT and TTV growth translation

#### **Canada**

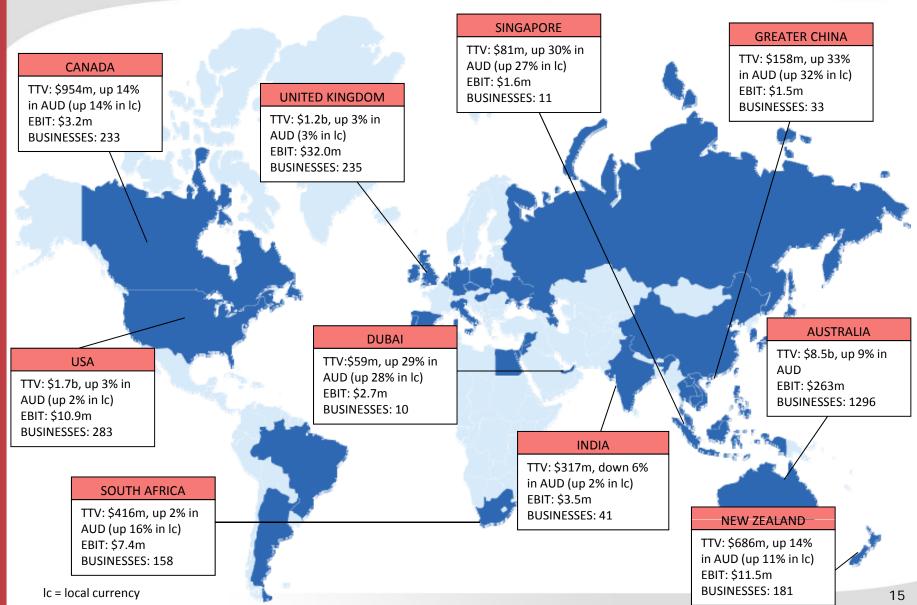
- Sales growth and profitable, but bottom-line down on PCP and adversely affected by leisure losses (investment in new brands, FCB underperforming)
- Expansion into Montreal and Saskatoon during FY13

#### Asia/Middle East

- Greater China and Singapore growing solidly off small base
- Singapore leisure profit (leisure turnover up 84% across Asia-Middle East)
- Improved India result but ongoing challenges
- Dubai EBIT down on PCP, but good sales growth. First leisure shop opened

## 2012/13: Results by country





### Killer theme: Travel agent to travel retailer



Flight Centre Limited is transitioning from a travel agent to a world class retailer of travel products to leisure and corporate customers

Being a world class retailer means we are the brand/business people identify with and go to

It is very different to being an agent, a middle man, a dealer for someone else's product

### Killer theme: Travel agent to travel retailer



Killer theme is aligned to FLT's longer term strategic "foci" and built around:

- 1. Brand and specialisation
- 2. Unique product
- 3. Experts, not agents
- 4. Redefining the shop
- 5. Blended access
- 6. Information as power
- 7. A sales and marketing machine

## 1) Brand and specialisation



#### <u>Aim</u>

**Evolving our brands to truly specialise in specific areas of travel and have clear customer value propositions (CVPs)** 

Brands must be able to answer three questions that clearly illustrate why they are the customer's best alternative:

- 1. What do they have that is special?
- 2. What do they know that is special?
- 3. What do they do that is special?

### Major initiatives/progress update

- The Brand Planning System
- Global Brand Taskforces
- Flight Centre 7

## 2) Unique product



#### <u>Aim</u>

Making, combining and sourcing exclusive FLT products and services, rather than simply selling suppliers' products

"Our product – not just someone else's"

### Major initiatives/progress update

- Red Label Fares exclusive Flight Centre airfares launched in June 2013
- Black Market flights now Student Flights' largest enquiry generators
- Escape Travel interest-free holiday offers
- myTime (hotel VIP program for FLT customers) expanding globally sales at myTime properties growing faster than other properties
- SmartSTAY launched as myTime-style value-add for corporate clients
- □ Travel Butler Help at hand for UK customers with round-the-world tickets
- Corporate business range

## **Unique product: Red Label Fares**





### Unique product: Interest-free packages





# 3) Experts, not agents



#### <u>Aim</u>

Ensuring each brand's people are experts in understanding the brand's speciality and that they in turn are backed by "travel gurus", who are readily available if additional expertise is required

### Major initiatives/progress update

- Brand-based training
- PSP (Professional Sales Program) expertise accreditation
- Guru program experts behind the scenes to back-up front-end staff
- E Bytes short, sharp expert training

# 4) Redefining the shop



### <u>Aim</u>

Ensuring corporate, wholesale and retail spaces reflect that FLT's people are retailers first and foremost, not office workers

### Major initiatives/progress update

- Hyperstore fit-out product zones etc
- Digital content on/offline
- Corporate travel hubs not just booking offices
- Mobilising consultants in-store trialled initially in US hyperstore

# Redefining the shop: NYC hyperstore





### 5) Blended access



#### <u>Aim</u>

Ensuring FLT's brands are always available to customers. They can touch, browse and buy FLT's products when and how they want – online, offline, shop, email, chat, phone or SMS

### Major initiatives/progress update

- Model developed and refined after studying and meeting overseas retailers that had successfully blended on and offline offerings
- Similar to model that is in place within FLT's corporate business
- Will ultimately allow customers to interact with FLT and its consultants in any channel at any time throughout the travel cycle
- Three implementation phases
- Phase 2 complete for Flight Centre brand in Australia, but W.I.P elsewhere
- Liberty and South Africa transactional websites set for 1H launch

### **Blended access – milestones**



KEY MILESTONES	STATUS	ELEMENTS
PHASE 1	$\checkmark$	Pre and post booking processes blended
	ŕ	<ul><li>Customers able to enquire, pay and view itineraries online</li></ul>
PHASE 2	<b>√</b>	■ More products and services available online
	•	Published international fares, global hotels
		Online access to human search engines
		Consultant "chat" and "select" introduced – "chat" conversion three-times higher than general email conversion for Flight Center USA site and about to be introduced on flightcentre.com.au and other sites
		Perfect Match trialled
PHASE 3	WIP	Work continues on fully integrated model
		Will ultimately allow customers to switch seamlessly between sales channels any devices at any stage

# 6) Information as power



#### <u>Aim</u>

Gaining a better understanding of customer habits and proactively using this information, thereby delivering and developing better products and increasing FLT's relevance to customers

### Major initiatives/progress update

- In-house data team
- Profile management and capability
- Pattern identification per brand top 10s to create better products

# 7) A sales and marketing machine



#### <u>Aim</u>

Ensuring each brand has the best and most BDMs, an advertising plan and deployment that delivers on the opportunity to increase market share

### Major initiatives/progress update

- Re-marketing growth
- Direct response and advertising
- Digital in shop
- Perfect Match proactively pairing customers with consultants who have recent first hand experience of the customer's chosen destination/style of travel

### **2013/14:** Guidance



- Initially targeting \$370m-\$385m PBT, assuming stable trading conditions and excluding any significant unforseen items
- Also excludes possible goodwill impairment (USA and/or India)
- ☐ Target represents 8-12% growth on underlying 2012/13 PBT
- ☐ Tracking ahead of last year based on July/August results but relatively low comparatives next few months a truer indication of performance
- 8-10% sales network growth expected sales staff and shops/businesses
- Mainly organic growth but some small acquisitions possible (vertical integration without capital assets)
- ☐ Likely to invest up to \$60m in cap-ex, in line with annual D&A charge
- Strategies to grow profit, productivity in all businesses globally into the future

# 2013/14: Australian growth priorities



- Retail prosperity improving front-end performance and results in FLT's largest business
- Blended travel
- Delivering a seamless customer experience
- Corporate travel recovery strategies in place to fast-track TTV growth
- **□** Designing and delivering unique manufactured product in all brands

### 2013/14: The US dollar

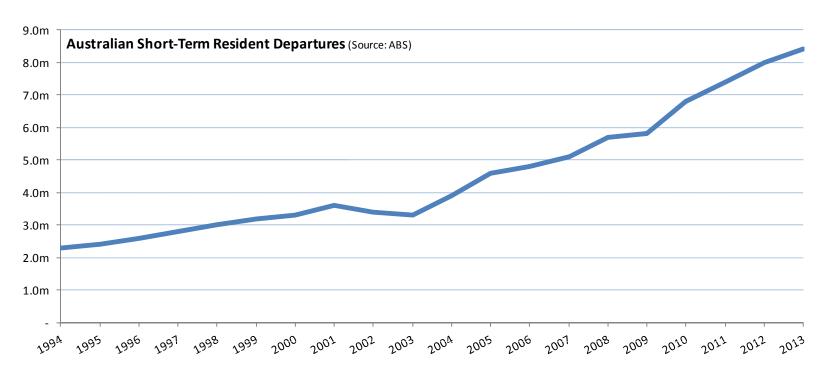


- FLT does not expect AUD v USD FX shifts to significantly affect its business
- Consistent growth in overseas travel over 20+ years suggests Aussie outbound is structurally driven, not FX driven
- Supported by statistics taken from FLT's Discover The Americas travel expos throughout Australia this month good sales growth despite weaker AUD
- FX shifts haven't traditionally altered FLT's domestic v international mix
- Customers typically adjust "at destination" spend upgrade/downgrade plans
- ☐ FLT's fortunes not tied to outbound travel large Australian domestic focus
- Weaker AUD will also enhance overseas profit translation

# 2013/14: The US dollar



- Circa 7% CAGR in Australian outbound departures between FY94 and FY13
- Short-term resident departures have increased 18 times during past 20 years
- Declines in FY02 and FY03 were not caused by FX 9/11, SARS



## 2013/14: UK and USA growth



#### UK

- Experienced management team in place with track record of success and blueprint to drive future growth
- Targeting 11% sales network growth, including new hyperstores in Victoria (London), Bristol and Leeds
- Work underway on blended retail travel model
- Renewed focus on account and BDM growth in corporate travel

#### **USA**

- □ Targeting \$12m-\$14m EBIT − 1H losses likely, followed by 2H profits
- Set for largest year of network growth since Liberty-GOGO acquisition
- New travel centers (hyperstores) to open in Boston, Chicago and Philadelphia
- □ Smaller superstores to be created by adding "direct" teams to existing shops
- Corporate to benefit from FY13 BDM growth and expanding into Atlanta and Minneapolis, giving it a presence in 17 cities

### 2013/14: Other growth opportunities



#### **New Zealand**

- Aiming to build on successes of FY13
- Plan to launch transactable Student Flights website
- Rapidly expanding Cruiseabout targeting five new shops (13 by June 30)

#### **South Africa**

Targeting 12% business growth – fastest growth in corporate and niche leisure

#### Canada

- On track to become FLT's 4th country to reach \$AUD1b in annual TTV
- Focus on improving leisure travel performance
- Expanding Flight Centre Business Travel model and expecting further solid corporate growth (FCm to launch in Montreal)

### Asia/Middle East

Continuing to build corporate presence, while developing small but successful leisure travel footprint

### **Capital management**



- Internal goal to retain sufficient cash to cover three months operating expenses – circa \$400m
- Cash balances currently exceeds this amount but will reduce during 1H14 (after dividend and tax instalment payments)
- May use cash to fund small acquisitions and considering retiring \$30m in overdrafts/loans (related to Asia-Middle East corporate businesses)
- Directors will consider all options, but current preference is to increase dividend yields if excess cash is to be returned to shareholders in future
- TCF restrictions repealed in Australia but no affect on cash holding position

# **End of presentation**



Questions?

# **Appendix 1: Average international yield (Aus)**



- No major change in average airfare prices during 2012/13
- Average international fare remains well below pre-GFC levels
- Statistics are based on GDS net ticketed revenue and do not include all airlines or fuel surcharges (indicative of overall pricing trends only)

