

#### **Chris Last**

Chief Financial Officer

## **Blackmores Limited ASX:BKL**



## **Introducing Blackmores**

- Founded in the 1930s by pioneering naturopath, Maurice Blackmore
- Listed on ASX in 1985
- Entered Malaysia, Thailand, Singapore and Hong Kong markets in the 1990s, and Taiwan in 2007
- New CEO, Christine Holgate, in November, 2008
- Moved into new, purpose built campus in Warriewood in January, 2009 significant investment in state of the art production and distribution facility, minimised environmental impact and great work environment for staff
- Today a market leader in the natural health sector with a strong record of financial performance
- #1 brand in Australia and Thailand, and outperforming the market in all our major territories
- Strong relationships with healthcare professionals, endorsers and key opinion leaders (#1 brand used by GPs in Australia)
  - 7.500 points of distribution in Australia across pharmacy, grocery and health food
  - Well-established online presence the most visited health information site in Australia, with around 320k members in our online community







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## **Key Highlights - Recognition**

- Australia's Most Trusted Vitamin and Supplement Brand, as judged by Australians again in 2010 Reader's Digest Australia's Most Trusted Survey
  - Reader's Digest Trusted Brand Award Again in 2010 (Vitamin and Health Supplement category) in Thailand

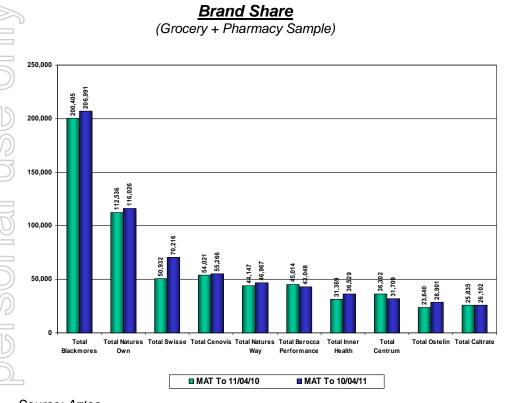








#### Clear Australian market leader across multiple categories



- Blackmores in Australia is the category leading brand with 20%+ market share, approx double the size of the 2nd largest brand.
- And in Asia, Blackmores has strong market positions in Thailand (#1) and Malaysia (#2)
- Combined with growing market share in our smaller business in Singapore, Hong Kong and Taiwan.

Source: Aztec



#### **Review of FY10**

- F10 delivered results of:
  - Group revenue increase of 7% to \$215 million
  - Group EBITDA increase of 25%
  - Group NPAT increase of 17% to \$24 million
  - Earnings per Share increase of 15%
- Strength of the business demonstrated by
  - Profitability growing faster than sales
  - EBITDA increased significantly in a year of investment
- Results for F10 supported by
  - Getting closer to our customers
  - Driving innovation
  - Growing our Asian business
  - Leveraging operational efficiencies from the new facility
  - Investing in our people









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#### **Review of 9 months to March FY11**

Quarter 3 YTD Segment Sales	2011 \$m	2010 \$m	Change
Australia	135.8	135.5	+0%
Asia *	32.4	23.7	+37%
Other	3.6	2.6	+38%
Total Sales	171.8	161.8	+6%

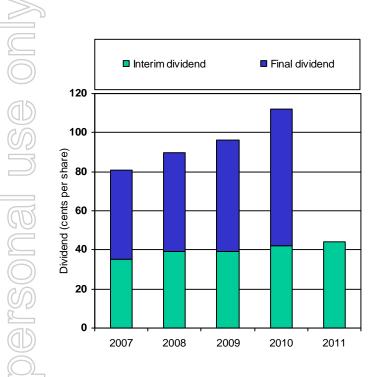
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Quarter 3 YTD P&L Performance	2011 \$m	2010 \$m	Change
Group sales	171.8	161.8	+6%
EBITDA	34.1	32.0	+6%
NPAT	20.2	19.0	+6%

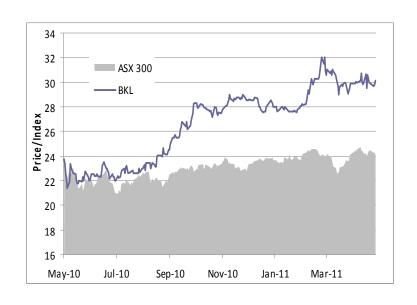
- Groups sales +6%, with +4.1% growth in third quarter.
- Australia faced a challenging retail environment combined with a rebalancing of stock by some of our major retailers – however, consumer data indicates that our brand is growing.
- We have been encouraged by an uplift in March in Australia.
- Asian sales YTD have been extremely buoyant, this has been evident in both our traditional markets and our new market and channel in Korea.
- On a YTD basis we are growing steadily at both the top and bottom line.



<sup>\*</sup> Asia's Q3 YTD growth is +22% excluding Korea, 38% in constant currency

# And we have continued to deliver strong shareholder returns





- Interim dividend of 44¢ fully franked, up 4.8% on previous corresponding period
- Paid on 22 March 2011

- F10 Total Shareholder Return 45%+
- Strong outperformance versus ASX 300



# We have been on a journey of growth, and continue to execute against this plan

#### **Profit**

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# Strengthening the foundations

- Move to Warriewood
- New Organisation Structure, focus on customers
- Reinvigorating Sales and Marketing
- Building pipeline on new products
- Improved discipline in planning

# Driving operational excellence

- Deepen our channel coverage in all markets
- Develop our Brand proposition
- Focus on Driving Innovation, new products
- Implement learnings of supply chain review
- Focus on Working Capital optimisation

## Developing new growth opportunities

- Drive for growth in established Markets
  - Particularly with online/direct channel, in Asia
- Assess new product adjacencies
- Leverage the brand into new product adjacencies
- Take advantage of opportunities across the value chain to support and drive growth
- Develop international expansion opportunities



### **Longer Term – 5 year strategic framework**

**Financial** People Customer Goals 5 year financial targets Rated #1 brand Employer of choice Values **Purpose** Leadership Passion for Blackmores improves people's lives by delivering the **Principles** Natural Health world's best natural health solutions. Social Responsibility Integrity We achieve this by translating our unrivalled heritage and knowledge into innovative, quality, branded Respect natural healthcare solutions that work. **Natural** People, **Brand Walue** Health values and Quality Strength Drivers **Expertise** culture We will We will extend our We will We will We will We will develop business & build our Strategic invest in & optimise & brand into build the base of our core Outcomes grow our develop operational **BKL** brand product new channels excellence our people segments portfolio

& markets



## Innovation continues to drive growth









- In FY10, launch of 80 new products, formulation improvements and international market range extensions, including 38 new products in Asia.
- Innovation continues throughout FY11. 22 new products launched in the first half and 13 in the third quarter.
- Based on new science, consumer & retailer insights and healthcare professional recommendations.





#### Deepening our channel coverage - online

- Relaunched blackmores.com.au
  - Nearly 320,000 Australian consumers have signed up to online membership
  - Dynamically customised content tailored to every consumers' needs and interests
  - Community groups, giving consumers the opportunity to engage with each other and directly with Blackmores on topics of interest – currently 87,000 members since site relaunch
  - Integrated with social media 11,000+ Facebook followers, 1,250 Twitter followers & 3,000
     Blackmores Sydney Running Festival members
  - Most popular health information site in Australia with >100,000 unique visitors per month
  - Online shop for members
  - Winner, Best Consumer Publication, CHC Annual Awards, 2010

 Launched new Thai website (blackmores.co.th) last September, based on same content management platform.

Launched first Korean website in April, 2011.







#### Driving for growth in established & new markets - Asia



- Comprises approximately 20% of Group sales
- Asia's Q3 YTD growth is 37%, +22% excluding Korea, +38% in constant currency
- Expansion of channels with new retail partners
- Rebranding of product labels, branding and merchandising across the region



# Developing international expansion opportunities – Republic of Korea







- Blackmores entered into Korea in December 2010 with a partnership with CJO Shopping, a major Korean home shopping network, incorporating TV, online and catalogue sales direct to consumers.
- The Korean VDS market is large and mature, with a significant proportion of sales going through TV shopping and other direct to consumer channels.
- CJO Shopping is a high quality partner with strong experience selling premium, Western brands to Korean consumers.
- As well as its direct to consumer channels, CJO has its own retail pharmacy chain, CJ Olive Young and also distributes through a network of department stores and drug stores.
- Korea is Blackmores' first new international market since entering Taiwan over 3 years ago.



#### Leveraging into new product adjacencies



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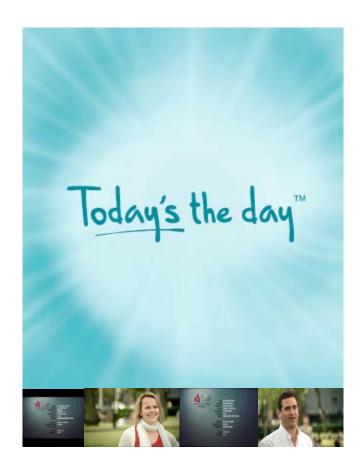


- New growth platform for Blackmores in Animal Health.
- PAW acquired in July, 2010 as a new division of Blackmores.
- Launched a new 21 SKU range of pet natural healthcare supplements and dermatology products in March 2011.
- Distributed in Australia, New Zealand, and growing in overseas markets.
- New PAW website launched March www.paw4pets.com



# Looking forward...

- We have some challenges
  - Consumer confidence and uncertainty in Australian retail
  - Continued pressure in Australian pharmacy
- Opportunities
  - New 'Today's the Day' brand campaign
  - Strong pipeline of new products
  - Grow the Asian business
  - PAW relaunched Q3
  - Leverage supply chain opportunities
- Because we have a...
  - Strong team in place
  - Solid strategy for growth
  - Strong balance sheet
  - Balanced risk profile



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"Directors remain confident that we will deliver a modest increase on last year's profit result."

- Results Announcement 20/4/1 ACK

### **Additional information**

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### Financial Summary – Profit & Loss – YTD FY11

Income Statement Year to date 31 March	2011 \$'000	2010 \$'000	% Change
Revenues	171,823	161,760	+6.2
EBITDA	34,082	32,007	+6.5
Depreciation & Amortisation	(3,373)	(3,079)	
EBIT	30,709	28,928	+6.2
Interest	(1,645)	(1,567)	
Taxes	(8,856)	(8,376)	
Net profit after tax	20,208	18,985	+6.4

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