Interim Results 2007







2 March 2007





Turnover up 8% to £438.4m

Operating profit up 17% to £46.3m

Profit before tax up 20% to £32.9m

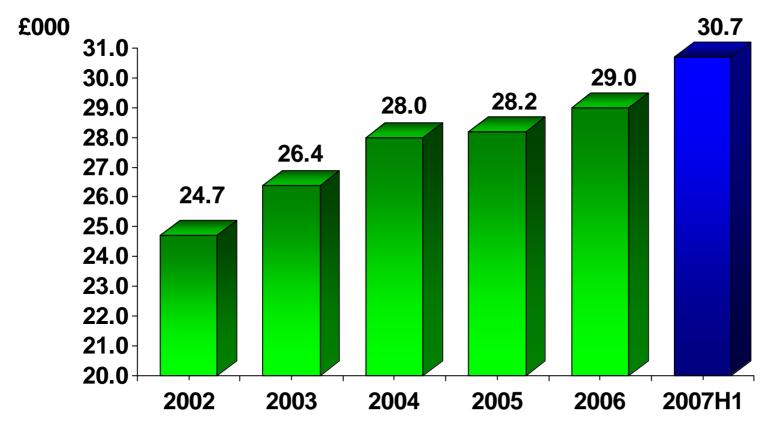
Earnings per share up 37% to 14.5p

Free cash flow per share 17.0p (2006: 16.8p)

Dividend per share 4.0p (2006: 1.6p)



Average Sales Per Pub Week (including VAT)



Record level of weekly sales



Like for Like Sales/Profits

%	H1			
	2007	2006	2005	2004
Bar	5.8	2.2	(1.4)	2.9
Food	9.8	3.6	2.1	4.2
Machine	6.4	(1.4)	(2.4)	6.1
Total sales	7.4	2.0	(0.6)	3.4
LFL Profits	7.7	5.9	(4.0)	(0.7)



Pub Operating Margin

- Gross margin improvement
- Wages

- pay rates
- bonus payments
- Operating costs
- utilities (+£3m)
- rent/rates stable

Increase of 70 basis points





	H1	H1	H1	H1	FY
	2007 £000	2007 % of	2006 £000	2006 % of	2006
		Sales		Sales	
Turnover	438,374	-	406,326	-	-
Pub Operating Profit	86,372	19.7	77,320	19.0	19.2
Head Office Costs	(17,040)	(3.9)	(15,681)	(3.9)	(3.9)
Share Incentive Plan	(1,352)	(0.3)	(811)	(0.1)	(0.3)
Depreciation	(21,920)	(5.0)	(21,136)	(5.2)	(5.1)
Gain on disposal	829	-	-	-	-
Impairment provision	(618)	-	-	-	-
Operating Profit	46,271	10.6	39,692	9.8	9.9

Continued improvement in operating margin



Non-smoking Pubs (England and Wales)

- 39 converted pubs and 22 new openings
- Sales recovery in 1-2 years
- Profit recovery circa 2+ years
- New pub performance encouraging
- Continued progress over time



Non-smoking Scotland

- 39 pubs
- Investment in facilities/service
- Sales +5% encouraging bar sales
 - double digit food growth
 - machines flat
- Profits broadly in line with last year

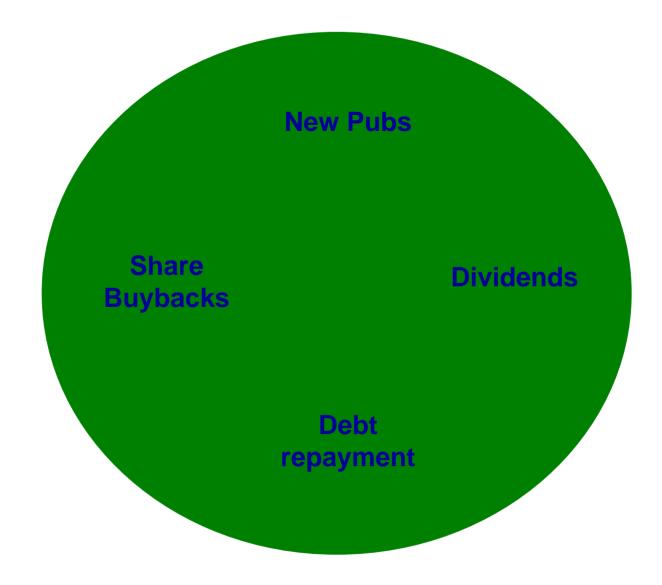
First year results ahead of expectations

Cash Flow

	H1	H1	FY
	2007	2006	2006
Cash from operations	60,273	60,826	133,366
Interest and tax	(23,101)	(22,350)	(37,963)
Re-financing costs	-	(1,367)	(1,412)
Investment in existing pubs	(10,548)	(6,695)	(20,810)
Investment in own shares (SIP)	(1,053)	(1,765)	(3,469)
Free cash flow	25,571	28,649	69,712
Dividends	(4,537)	(4,749)	(7,367)
Disposal proceeds	3,773	2,448	4,645
Investments in new pubs	(22,686)	(9,242)	(16,766)
Cash flow before share capital changes	2,121	17,106	50,224
Share buybacks	(37,288)	(24,042)	(78,683)
Issue of new shares	4,954	1,082	6,974
Movement in net debt	(30,213)	(5,854)	(21,485)
Free cash flow per share	17.0p	16.8p	42.1p



Allocation of Resources





Expansion Plans

- 2006 9 new pubs
- 2007 20 planned
- 2008+ 30 target
- Strong cash flow
- Strong pipeline

Maintain target return on investment



Dividends

- +10% per annum since IPO in 1992
- Considered options
- Substantial adjustment taking into account sector and market dividend cover

Prudent level of pay out



Share Buybacks

- £234m since 2003
- 34% equity retired
- Flexibility on cash allocation

Continue to monitor future opportunities



Debt Position

	H1 2007	H1 2006	FY 2006
Net debt/ EBITDA	2.8	2.8	2.8
Interest cover (times)	3.5	3.2	3.3
Fixed charge cover (times) - statutory	1.8	1.7	1.8
- excluding depreciation	2.4	2.3	2.3

Continued improvement in ratios



REITS

- Short term financial benefits
- Consistent with long term strategy?
- Real estate versus tax savings
- Monitor / explore opportunities



ROC/CROCCE/ROE

	H1 2007	H1 2006
 P&L return on capital 	11.8%	10.2%
• Crocce	12.3%	11.5%
 P&L return on equity 	19.5%	14.0%
 Cash return on equity 	15.6%	13.9%

Improvement in financial returns



Trading Performance

- Sales growth continues
- Margin improvement
- Prepared for non-smoking



Joseph Bramah, Barnsley









Jack Fairman, Horley



















Unrivalled Product Range



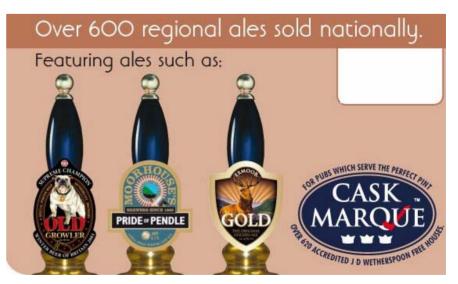








- Over 33 million pints per annum
- Links with 450 local brewers
- Highest company recognition in CAMRA
 Good Beer Guide 2007
- Worlds largest beer festivals





Food Development









- Improved provenance
- Healthier options
- Continued success of 'club offers'
- 50% of sales linked to food
- 26% of total revenue



Bonus and Share Schemes

- £9.0m bonus in H1 (90% to pubs)
- £1.1m in share purchases (£23m total pot)
- Average annual bonus to managers £9,200k*
- Average annual bonus to pub staff £1,500k*

*including shares



Continued Investment in Facilities

- Non-smoking plans
- Cold beer
- Kitchen upgrades
- Coffee machines
- £60m spend on repairs / capital in existing estate

Ongoing quality improvements



Cold Beer / Wine Investment







2007 H2 Issues

- More stretching comparatives
- H2 sales expectations (2%-4%)
- England/Wales/N. Ireland non-smoking
- Cautious trading outlook





- Continue to improve all areas of the business
- Ongoing expansion plans
 - Strong pipeline of sites
- Non smoking
 - Short term change
 - Longer term impact

Confident of future prospects

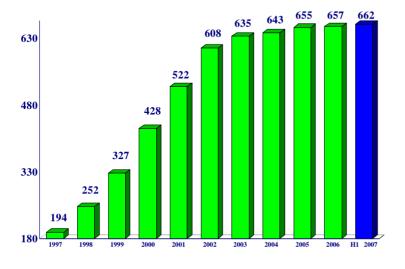


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10 Year Summary

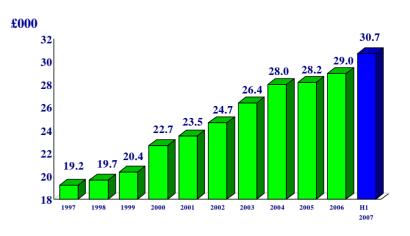
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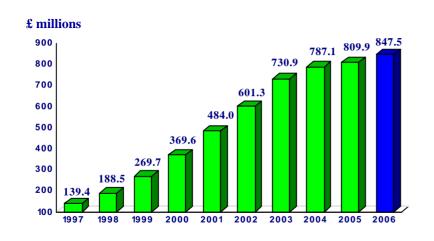
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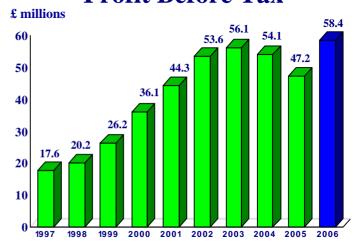
Average Sales Per Pub Week (including VAT)



Turnover



Profit Before Tax







JDW - Financial Trends

	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	H1 2007
Sales per pub (£000)	872	904	1,004	1,040	1,093	1,169	1,239	1,246	1,283	1,359
EBITDA per pub (£000) (1)	184.9	188.0	203.8	205.9	207.4	201.9	204.4	195.7	205.6	224.8
Number of pubs	252	327	428	522	608	635	643	655	657	662
% freeholds (%)	30	21	32	40	42	42	41	41	41	41
CROCCE (%) (2)	15.0	15.7	15.6	15.3	13.9	13.0	12.6	11.7	11.9	12.3
Cash return on equity (%) (2)	20.8	20.9	20.3	20.1	18.8	17.1	15.8	14.4	14.7	15.6
Free cash flow per share (pence)	13.3	20.3	24.2	29.1	33.5	38.8	36.7	37.1	42.1	17.0

⁽¹⁾ Excluding sale & leaseback

⁽²⁾ See appendix D for calculation



Capital Trends



	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	H1 2007
Size (sq.ft.) – openings	3,037	3,217	3,713	3,808	3,721	4,317	4,176	3,637	4,203
Number of openings	84	101	94	87	45	28	13	9	8
% which are freehold	58	67	75	53	56	43	54	22	63
Freehold average cost (£k)	427	465	506	597	511	640	873	625	747
Average development cost (£k)	941	1,049	1,178	1,262	1,317	1,431	1,401	1,301	1,482
Average cost per sq. ft.	310	326	334	331	354	331	335	331	353
Increase in average cost (%)	9	4	3	-1	7	-6	1	-1	6
Population within 2 miles	70,000	77,000	70,000	70,000	73,000	51,000	64,000	59,000	46,000
Pub openings with outside drinking (%)	50	73	62	46	51	54	62	88	100

ROC/CROCCE/ROE



Profit after tax	(e)	H1 2007 £000 21,743	H1 2006 £000 18,072
Add: interest	(f)	13,398	12,339
Profit pre-interest	(g)	35,141	30,411
Add: deferred tax		1,157	908
Depreciation		21,920	21,136
Cash return	(h)	58,218	52,455
		44.00/	40.00/
• P&L return on capital [(g)/average (c)]		11.8%	10.2%
CROCCE [(h)/average (d)]		12.3%	11.5%
 P&L return on equity [(e)/average (a)] 		19.5%	14.0%
 Cash return on equity [(h)-(f)/average (d)-(b)] 		15.6%	13.9%

ROC/CROCCE/ROE





		H1	FY
		2007	2006
		£000	£000
Shareholder funds per balance sheet		185,840	201,575
Add: cum losses on disposal		13,884	13,884
: hedging provision		15,603	15,156
	(a)	215,327	230,615
Add: net debt	(b)	385,844	355,631
Capital employed	(c)	601,171	586,246
Add: deferred tax provision		85,970	82,958
Less: deferred tax asset		(3,789)	(3,030)
Cumulative depreciation		300,282	282,497
Less: revaluation reserve		(22,554)	(22,554)
Cash capital employed	(d)	961,080	926,117