



## **Small Caps Roadshow Presentation**

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# About FCL

- Australia's leading travel retailer and one of the largest businesses of its kind in the world
- 1100+ retail shops and corporate travel offices – employing more than 6900 people in eight countries
- Track record of continual record profits
- Total Transaction Value (TTV) increased 29% to \$5.9 billion
- Adaptability – gross margins maintained in volatile market
- 16% increase in selling staff, 12% increase in shops

# Key Financial Results

Full Year to June 2004

|                                                   | \$m             | Growth % |
|---------------------------------------------------|-----------------|----------|
| TTV                                               | \$5.9b          | 29%      |
| Operating Revenue                                 | \$799m          | 28%      |
| Operating Profit (Before Tax & Amort of Goodwill) | \$131.4m        | 21%      |
| Operating Profit (before tax)                     | \$121.3m        | 19%      |
| NPAT                                              | \$81.9m         | 17%      |
| EBITDA                                            | \$157m          | 24%      |
| Basic EPS                                         | 87.4c per share | 14%      |
| Dividend (full year)                              | 61c per share   | 40%      |

Growth calculations are compared to full year June 2003

# Shop Growth

| Country      | June<br>2004 | June<br>2003 | Increase | %   |
|--------------|--------------|--------------|----------|-----|
| Australia    | 646          | 575          | 71       | 12% |
| New Zealand  | 140          | 128          | 12       | 9%  |
| South Africa | 88           | 80           | 8        | 10% |
| FC UK        | 82           | 74           | 8        | 11% |
| Britannic    | 42           | 42           | 0        | 0%  |
| USA          | 17           | 15           | 2        | 13% |
| Canada       | 115          | 100          | 15       | 15% |
| Other        | 9            | 5            | 4        | 80% |
| Total        | 1,139        | 1,019        | 120      | 12% |

# The Future

- Growth strategy – new shops and cost efficient upstaffing
- Acquisitions
- Multi-channel distribution and technology strategy
- Land strategy
- Preferred supplier/airline strategy

# Shop Growth Expectations

| Country      | June<br>2005F | June<br>2004 | Increase   | %          |
|--------------|---------------|--------------|------------|------------|
| Australia    | 740           | 646          | 94         | 15%        |
| New Zealand  | 163           | 140          | 23         | 16%        |
| South Africa | 97            | 88           | 9          | 10%        |
| FC UK        | 99            | 82           | 17         | 21%        |
| Britannic    | 45            | 42           | 3          | 7%         |
| USA          | 23            | 17           | 6          | 35%        |
| Canada       | 132           | 115          | 17         | 15%        |
| Other        | 12            | 9            | 3          | 33%        |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>1,311</b>  | <b>1,139</b> | <b>172</b> | <b>15%</b> |

## Forward Looking Statements

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# Acquisitions

- Strategic acquisitions to supplement generic growth
- Most likely to be corporate travel businesses – expansion of FCm Travel Solutions
- Actively seeking opportunities in the USA
- Looking for quality businesses that will enhance overall operations

# Multi-Channel Distribution and Technology

- Development of “clicks and mortar” network – an additional \$10 million investment in technology in 2004/05
- Evolution from traditional retail business into sophisticated multi-channel global distribution network
- Focus on world’s best practice in retail, phone and web sales – or a combination



# Multi-Channel Distribution and Technology

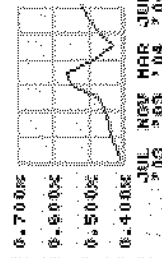
[travelthere.com](http://travelthere.com)

- Acquisition will fast track FCL's development in "web" sales in Australia
- Popular stand alone internet travel business with integrated product offering
- Online booking system to be used on other FCL sites in Aust, NZ and South Africa -similar products to be introduced elsewhere
- Why?

# Multi-Channel Distribution and Technology

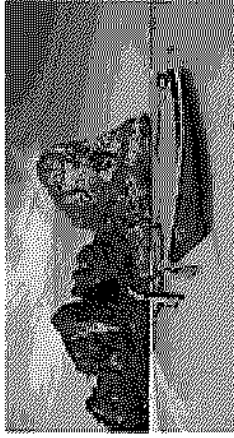
- Traffic is biggest challenge
- Flight Centre already holds dominant position online with poor “transactional” ability
- Created a consolidated “ecom” business both globally and in each market to leverage spending across all brands

## Australian Sites &gt; Monthly rankings for July, 2004 &gt; Ranks by 'Visits'

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Travel agencies and businesses which provide planning and organisational services for holiday and travel.

Total domains that ranked with currently selected options: 136  
Category Contribution Percentage: 0.52%



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| Rank | Name - [Show Domain]                | Related | Market Share | JUN, 2004 | MAY, 2004 | Bookmarks | Select                   |
|------|-------------------------------------|---------|--------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|--------------------------|
| 1.   | Flight Centre                       |         | 19.83%       | 1         | 1         | 3.33%     | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2.   | ZUI Australia                       |         | 9.82%        | 2         | 2         | 2.98%     | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3.   | Best Flights                        |         | 6.57%        | 3         | 3         | 4.25%     | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 4.   | Webjet                              |         | 6.41%        | 5         | 5         | 1.12%     | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 5.   | Travel.com.au                       |         | 6.35%        | 4         | 4         | 2.25%     | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 6.   | GlobeNet Travel                     |         | 3.66%        | 7         | 6         | 2.67%     | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 7.   | travelthere.com                     |         | 3.09%        | 6         | 8         | 5.71%     | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 8.   | Blue Holidays                       |         | 2.00%        | 8         | 11        | 3.15%     | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 9.   | Harvey World Travel                 |         | 1.98%        | 10        | 9         | 2.91%     | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 10.  | Escape Travel                       |         | 1.89%        | 20        | 15        | 2.95%     | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 11.  | STA Travel Australia                |         | 1.85%        | 12        | 10        | 4.14%     | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 12.  | Consolidated Travel Group           |         | 1.84%        | 11        | 13        | 1.61%     | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 13.  | Breakfree Holidays                  |         | 1.84%        | 16        | 18        | 2.75%     | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 14.  | Yahoo! Travel Australia & NZ        |         | 1.46%        | 9         | 7         | 1.43%     | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 15.  | Travel Mall Australia & New Zealand |         | 1.44%        | 13        | 12        | 4.85%     | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 16.  | Check-in.com.au                     |         | 1.38%        | 14        | 14        | 6.45%     | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 17.  | Concorde International              |         | 1.31%        | 17        | 22        | 0.80%     | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 18.  | Airfare.com.au                      |         | 1.26%        | 15        | 16        | 4.16%     | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 19.  | Student Flights                     |         | 1.10%        | 18        | 19        | 2.86%     | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 20.  | Australian Discount Travel & Tours  |         | 1.09%        | 23        | 24        | 2.88%     | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 21.  | Jetset                              |         | 1.07%        | 19        | 20        | 4.91%     | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 22.  | Breakaway Travel Club               |         | 0.96%        | 21        | 17        | 3.83%     | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 23.  | RCI Asia Pacific                    |         | 0.93%        | 22        | 27        | 2.43%     | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 24.  | Schoolies.com.au                    |         | 0.86%        | 31        | 30        | 2.85%     | <input type="checkbox"/> |

**Book**

**Flights**

**Hotels**

**Cars**

**Domestic flights**

**International flight quote**

☐ Return ☐ One way  Jetstar

From  Depart

To  Return

Adults  Children (2-11yrs)  Infants (<2yrs)

**Lowest Airfares**

Departing Melbourne Change

|               |      |         |
|---------------|------|---------|
| BRISBANE      | from | \$89*   |
| SYDNEY        | from | \$99*   |
| ADELAIDE      | from | \$99*   |
| CAIRNS        | from | \$185*  |
| PERTH         | from | \$259*  |
| DARWIN        | from | \$259*  |
| AUCKLAND      | from | \$899*  |
| HONG KONG     | from | \$899*  |
| COFFS HARBOUR | from | \$559*  |
| KUALA LUMPUR  | from | \$1389* |
| JOHANNESBURG  | from | \$1589* |
| LONDON        | from | \$1689* |

\*Read important conditions

**Holidays**

Departing Melbourne Change

|                                                                                       |                                                                                                            |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|    | <b>Melbourne in Winter</b><br>For more information please refer to page 25 of the...<br>from <b>\$120*</b> |
|   | <b>Rydges Oasis Resort</b><br>Set on 4ha of tropical landscaped gardens and more...<br>from <b>\$220*</b>  |
|  | <b>Alexandra Beach Resort</b><br>A great getaway for couples and families...<br>from <b>\$420*</b>         |
|  | <b>Courtyard by Marriott</b><br>An international-standard hotel located in the.....<br>from <b>\$620*</b>  |

**Feature**

**Malaysia, Sabah**

It is easy to understand why the number of Australians visiting...

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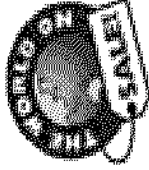


**Airfares + 7 nights**

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New Search

Departing Sydney to Gold Coast

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Prices are quoted as the total for 1 adults and 0 children, inclusive of taxes and agent service fees.

| Price       | Airline     | From    | To     | Duration   | Flight No. |
|-------------|-------------|---------|--------|------------|------------|
| C \$ 109.01 | Blue Saver  | 10:50AM | Sydney | 1 h 15 min | DJ509      |
| C \$ 109.01 | Blue Saver  | 11:45AM | Sydney | 1 h 15 min | DJ511      |
| C \$ 121.00 | Jet Saver   | 05:25PM | Sydney | 1 h 20 min | JQ546      |
| C \$ 126.01 | Jet Saver   | 09:45AM | Sydney | 1 h 20 min | JQ516      |
| C \$ 126.01 | Jet Saver   | 10:55AM | Sydney | 1 h 20 min | JQ520      |
| C \$ 139.01 | Fair Fare   | 09:05AM | Sydney | 1 h 15 min | DJ507      |
| C \$ 149.01 | Fair Fare   | 07:10AM | Sydney | 1 h 15 min | DJ503      |
| C \$ 151.01 | Jet Saver   | 12:10PM | Sydney | 1 h 20 min | JQ526      |
| C \$ 177.98 | Super Saver | 08:20PM | Sydney | 1 h 20 min | QF852      |
| C \$ 209.00 | Flexi Saver | 07:10AM | Sydney | 1 h 15 min | DJ503      |
| C \$ 209.00 | Flexi Saver | 09:05AM | Sydney | 1 h 15 min | DJ507      |
| C \$ 209.00 | Flexi Saver | 10:50AM | Sydney | 1 h 15 min | DJ509      |
| C \$ 209.00 | Flexi Saver | 11:45AM | Sydney | 1 h 15 min | DJ511      |
| C \$ 212.08 | Super Saver | 08:20PM | Sydney | 1 h 20 min | QF852      |
| C \$ 231.00 | Jet Flex    | 09:45AM | Sydney | 1 h 20 min | JQ516      |
| C \$ 231.00 | Jet Flex    | 10:55AM | Sydney | 1 h 20 min | JQ520      |
| C \$ 231.00 | Jet Flex    | 12:10PM | Sydney | 1 h 20 min | JQ526      |
| C \$ 231.00 | Jet Flex    | 05:25PM | Sydney | 1 h 20 min | JQ546      |
| C \$ 239.58 | Super Saver | 08:20PM | Sydney | 1 h 20 min | QF852      |
| C \$ 254.98 | Flexi Saver | 08:20PM | Sydney | 1 h 20 min | QF852      |

Returning Gold Coast to Sydney

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# Multi-Channel Distribution and Technology

## FCL's technology focus (me-to-me)

To enhance productivity by reducing ...

- the number of supplier systems consultants need to know
- the amount of training required
- the amount of human error by automating airfare validation



# Multi-Channel Distribution and Technology

## FCL's technology focus (cont)

To increase ...

- the amount of "selling" time for consultants
- land sales by simplifying the selling process
- preferred supplier sales - "channeling"
- productivity by having part of a booking transacted on the web and finalised in store

# Land Strategy

- Increased focus on higher margin land-based business
- Additional training and incentives for consultants
- Increased marketing of FCL to customers as full service travel provider
- Focus on upselling opportunities in stores
- Using technology to enhance the selling process

# Preferred Supplier/Airline Strategy

- Professional approach – shift from contracting to supplier relationship management
- Creation of value proposition for suppliers
- Introduction of competitive tendering
- Smaller stable of preferred suppliers
- Active channeling
- Greatest potential gains in competitive markets/industries

# Airline Relationships

## Domestic

- Mutually beneficial deals with Qantas and Virgin Blue for 2004/05
- Longer-term relationship with Virgin Blue
- 2005/06 Qantas deal to be negotiated in future, but don't expect material changes to current remuneration levels
- Recent announcements signal a move from front-end to back-end

# Airline Relationships

## International (ex Aust)

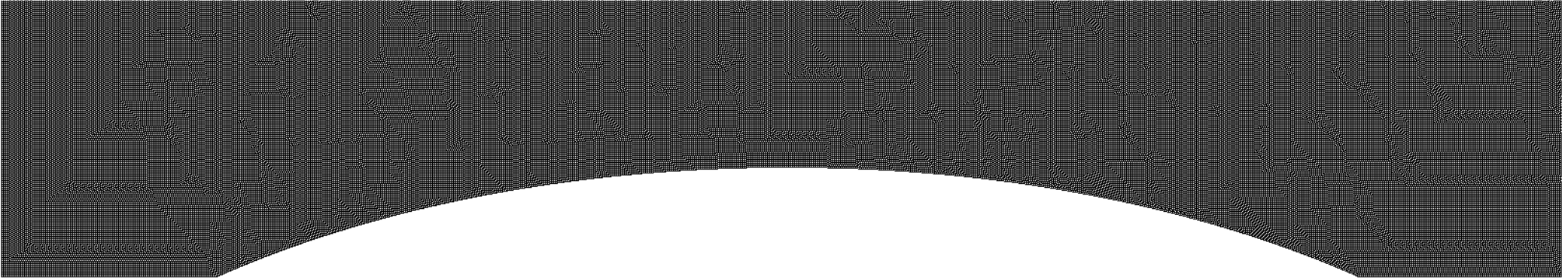
- Healthy commission deals and overall remuneration packages in place with many airlines
- Most fares currently sold on “nett” basis
- Qantas commission changes (front end) to apply from January 1, 2005 – Flight Centre confident of negotiating reasonable remuneration deal in “competitive” environment



# Airline Relationships

## FCL's International Experience

- Travel agents continue to play valuable role in distribution chain
- Struggling airlines returning to commission models after trialling zero commission
- New airlines discovering the value of travel agents (Virgin Blue, Westjet)
- Commission is safest marketing spend and is variable
- Ability to shift business and adapt business model



# Questions?

# Full Year Results Past 12 Years

| Year  | Net<br>profit<br>margin | TTV<br>\$m | %<br>Growth | Shops | %<br>Growth | Profit<br>(BT)<br>\$,000 | %<br>Growth | Profit<br>(AT)<br>\$,000 | %<br>Growth |
|-------|-------------------------|------------|-------------|-------|-------------|--------------------------|-------------|--------------------------|-------------|
| 92/93 | 1.57%                   | 393        | 36%         | 135   | 13%         | 6,170                    | 36%         | 2,880                    | 36%         |
| 93/94 | 1.60%                   | 545        | 39%         | 165   | 22%         | 8,730                    | 41%         | 4,840                    | 68%         |
| 94/95 | 1.72%                   | 759        | 39%         | 199   | 21%         | 13,070                   | 50%         | 7,620                    | 57%         |
| 95/96 | 1.98%                   | 975        | 28%         | 250   | 26%         | 18,904                   | 45%         | 11,846                   | 55%         |
| 96/97 | 1.85%                   | 1,237      | 27%         | 306   | 22%         | 22,897                   | 21%         | 14,854                   | 25%         |
| 97/98 | 1.88%                   | 1,513      | 22%         | 364   | 19%         | 28,458                   | 24%         | 18,348                   | 24%         |
| 98/99 | 2.36%                   | 1,841      | 22%         | 440   | 21%         | 43,396                   | 52%         | 27,987                   | 53%         |
| 99/00 | 2.54%                   | 2,415      | 31%         | 553   | 26%         | 61,264                   | 41%         | 40,258                   | 44%         |
| 00/01 | 2.19%                   | 3,018      | 25%         | 671   | 21%         | 65,966                   | 8%          | 42,853                   | 6%          |
| 01/02 | 2.51%                   | 3,614      | 20%         | 832   | 24%         | 90,528                   | 37%         | 62,010                   | 45%         |
| 02/03 | 2.20%                   | 4,555      | 26%         | 1,019 | 22%         | 102,325                  | 13%         | 70,020                   | 13%         |
| 03/04 | 2.06%                   | 5,885      | 29%         | 1,139 | 12%         | 121,326                  | 19%         | 81,926                   | 17%         |
| Avg*  | 2.04%                   |            | 29%         |       | 21%         |                          | 32%         |                          | 37%         |
| Comp  |                         |            | 28%         |       | 20%         |                          | 28%         |                          | 30%         |

\* Average of % growth