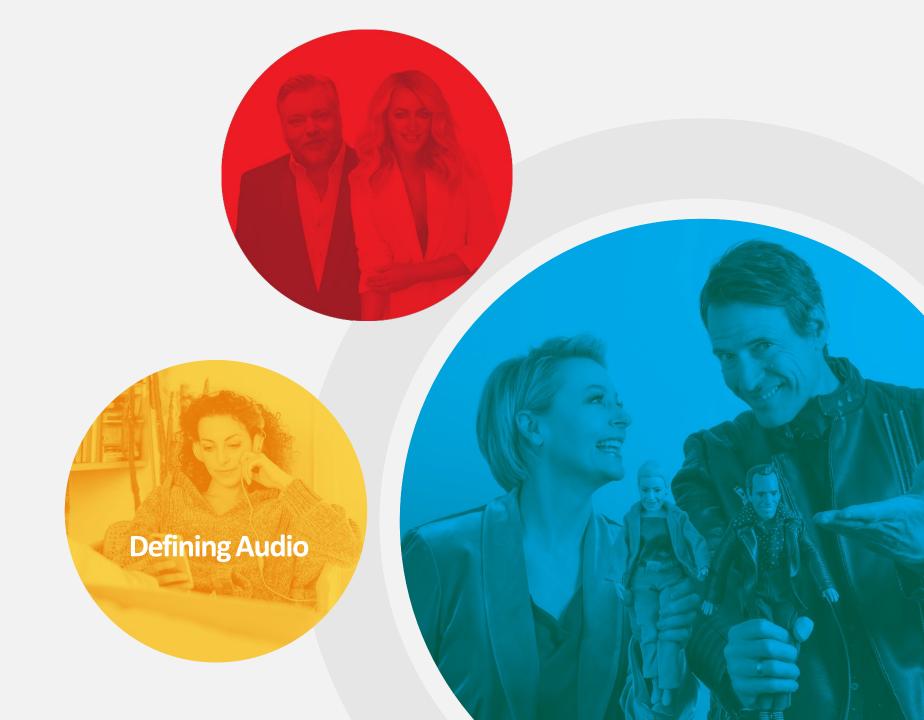


# HT&E Limited Annual General Meeting

5 May 2022





**Chairman's Address** 



May 2022

# Delivering on strategic objectives for continued growth

- ARN remains the best performing audio business in Australia
- Resolution of the Branch tax matter
- Acquisition of a portfolio of radio stations from Grant Broadcasters
- Exited oOh!Media realising \$31m gain
- Reinstated dividends
- Accretive share buyback continued
- Continue exploring liquidity options for HT&E's stake in Soprano





#### **Attractive Investor Proposition**

**Shareholder Returns** 

HT&E is well positioned to drive continued shareholders returns in FY22 and beyond.

	Track record as leading radio broadcaster	Continued ratings success  Market leading talent, brands and content across all our distribution channels - metro, regional and digital  Growing commercial market share		
	Expansion into lucrative regional markets	Delivers ARN a national network  Lucrative regional market; sector of broadcasting we know well  Provides further margin expansion in core radio business		
	Digital Audio opportunity gaining momentum	Digital audio investment programme (\$8-9 million in FY22) to put business on the path to profitability in 2025 Investing in content creation, distribution, sales and data capabil technology and trading platforms Launch digital audio youth brand targeting lucrative 15-demographic		
	Sharahaldar Paturna	Deliver strong free cashflow given limited capex requirements  Expect leverage <1x by end FY22; subject to market conditions		

Payout ratio of 60% - 80%

Assess opportunities to realise value from non-core assets





**CEO's Address** 



#### **FY21** Financial Highlights











Cash flow from operating activities<sup>3</sup> \$34.2m +51%





- 1. On a like basis, excluding disposed businesses (iNC & The Roar) in 2020
- 2 Refore exceptional items
- 3. Before tax payments, includes lease payments

## Other Investments performing strongly



#### Cody Outdoor - Hong Kong

- Significantly improved trading performance for Cody Outdoor with advertiser confidence returning in H221
- Cody unsuccessful with HK Tram Shelter renewal; contract ends April 2022
- Business expected to be cashflow positive in FY22



#### Soprano - HT&E 25% Investment

- Pro forma revenues<sup>1</sup> grew 22% to 119.5m
- Pro forma underlying EBITDA<sup>1</sup> increased 11% to \$30.2m
- Increasing investment in R&D and portfolio diversification to drive customer acquisition and retention
- Investment in Soprano remains non-core; Macquarie Capital remain engaged

2021	2020	% change	Local currency % change
21.9	16.5	33%	44%
(11.3)	(8.8)	29%	40%
10.5	7.7	37%	49%
(0.1)	(0.1)	(6%)	2%
(7.4)	(9.8)	(24%)	(17%)
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# ARN – strong performance despite lockdowns



A\$ million	2021	2020	% Change	% change Excl iNC and The Roar
Radio	186.2	165.2	13%	13%
Digital	9.4	8.9	5%	48%
Total revenue	195.6	174.1	12%	14%
Income	_	0.7	(100%)	(100%)
Total revenue and income	195.6	174.8	12%	14%
Cost of sales	(32.9)	(28.9)	14%	22%
People costs	(85.5)	(77.2)	11%	11%
Operating costs	(28.1)	(25.2)	12%	12%
Total costs	(146.5)	(131.3)	12%	14%
Share of associates NPAT	4.8	2.7	74%	74%
EBITDA	53.8	46.2	16%	17%
D&A	(6.3)	(6.8)	(8%)	(8%)
EBIT	47.6	39.5	21%	21%
EBITDA margin	27%	26%		



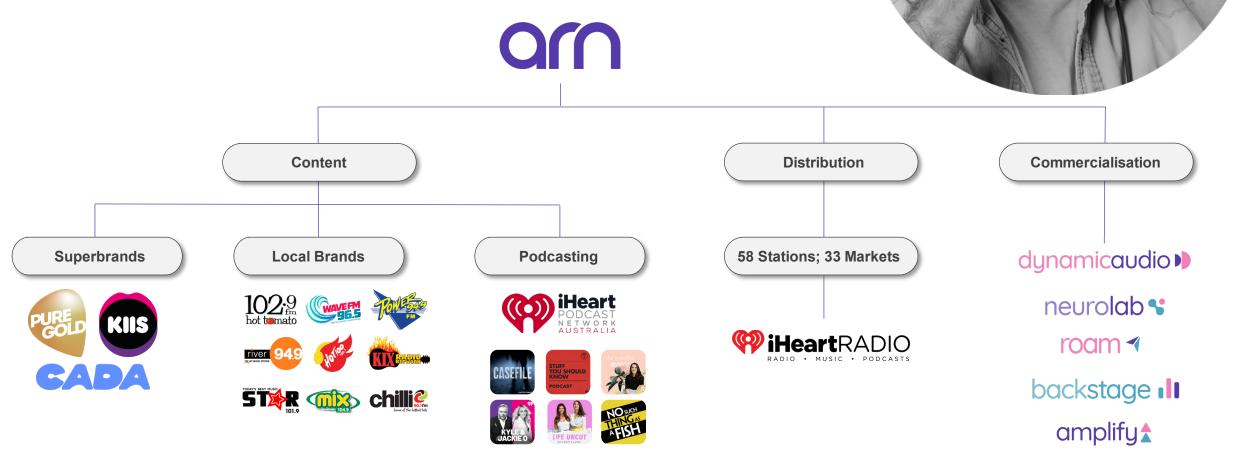




# The best in audio content, distribution and innovation

Scale; Multi-platform content; Digital data and targeting; Ease of transaction

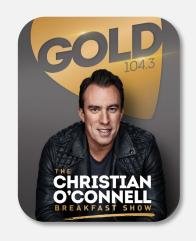
Providing the most comprehensive audio experience for our listeners and audio solutions for our advertising partners





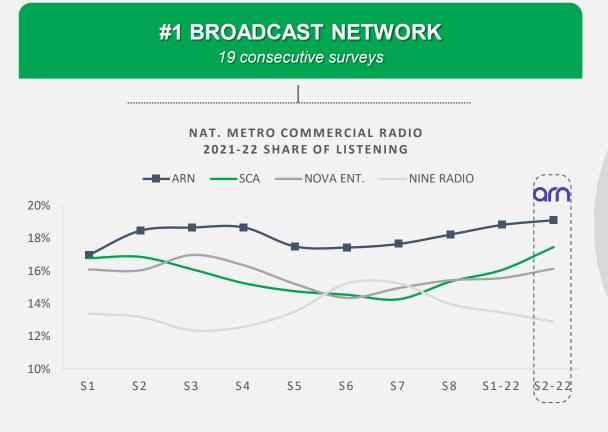
# A dominant year marked by consistent ratings















#### Australia's #1 podcast network

- Digital audio momentum building
- 37% of population listened to podcast monthly
- Over 540m downloads in 2021
- No. 1 podcast publisher; 24 consecutive No. 1s
- 7 of the top 10 podcasts
- Strong results continue to 2022
- Implementing broadcast to podcast strategy





#### **AUSTRALIAN PODCAST RANKER MARCH 2022**







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PODCAST NETWORK / SALES	MONTHLY AUSTRALIAN LISTENERS	MONTHLY AUSTRALIAN DOWNLOADS	
iHeart PODCAST NETWALIA AUSTRALIA	5,789,230	25,791,080	
LISTNR	3,404,209	10,987,737	
STITCHER*	2,179,040	7,839,202	
News Corp Australia	1,876,230	5,577,692	
WONDERY	1,076,314	4,133,201	
nova	1,063,870	4,523,357	
:::Nine	775,067	3,582,872	
Schwartz Media	504,746	1,726,052	
(DM)	432,277	983,430	

## Regional Australia is a lucrative growth market

8 of the 10 fastest growing centres are in regional markets.



62% of regional 25-54yo plan to take a holiday within Australia in the next year vs. 54% metro



\$9.1b regional spend on household furnishing and equipment



\$2.5b is spent on hardware supplies in regional Australia



Lower housing costs in regional markets means higher discretionary



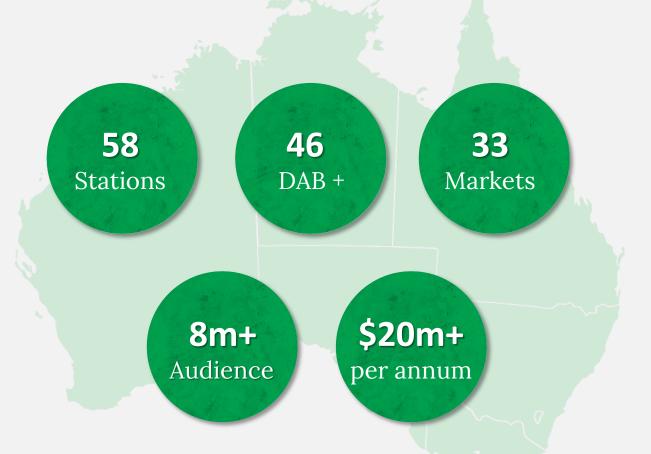
Regional buyers spend on avg, \$364+ more per year on groceries vs. metro buyers



Annual regional retail spend on clothing and footwear is \$7.8b

Source: Boomtown

# National network driving new opportunities



A\$ million	CY19	CY20	CY21	FY21
Local	69	65	67	<i>7</i> 1
National	27	27	30	30
Digital	3	4	4	5
Revenue	99	96	101	105
Pro forma Revenue (1)	105	96	101	105

A\$ million	HT&E 2021 Reported	ARN Regional 2021 <sup>(3)</sup> Pro forma	HT&E 2021 Pro forma	
Revenue	225.0	105.1	330.1	
EBITDA <sup>(2)</sup>	59.8	36.2	96.0	



- (1) Pro forma revenue for FY19 incorporates a full 12 months of Hot Tomato.
- (2) Before exceptional items; EBITDA post AASB-16
- (3) Unaudited underlying financial information for the 12 months ended 31 December 2021, prepared using management accounts with adjustments to better reflect the underlying performance of the business.



## Integration progress starting to yield results



- Signed a contract to sell 4KQ to a subsidiary of Sports Entertainment Group Limited
- The sale of 4KQ was required by the Australian Communications and Media Authority (ACMA) following HT&E's acquisition of stations from Grant Broadcasters
- Consideration of \$12m payable in cash, reflecting a transaction multiple of 11.9x normalised EBIT
- The sale is subject to various conditions being satisfied or waived, including among others, consent by ACMA to the proposed purchaser and the terms of the sale



## Digital audio investments to provide future returns for shareholders

**Podcasting** 

**Live Streaming** 

CADA







- Determined to capitalise on our already strong market position; important driver of future return for shareholders
- Investment is being undertaken now, with the benefit of a returning radio market, a conservatively geared balance sheet and while continuing to deliver a strong dividend stream to shareholders
- Additional operating investment in FY22 of \$8-9 million
- Total digital billings forecasted at \$20-25m in 2022; digital audio operations to be profitable within 3 years



# Australia's creative culture leaders

CADA TALENT

15+

DIGITAL REACH

3.5M

#### Credible talent across disciplines

Developing a loyal community by bringing together experts and creators across audience passions.

#### Who are they?

- Trusted voices in youth culture
- TikTok superstars
- Singers & songwriters
- Hip Hop artists, DJ's & producers
- Comedians, authors & journalists
- ARIA nominees & artist managers
- Fashion designers























#### **Trading Update**

#### **ARN**

Total radio revenues for Q1 improved month on month and finished up 5% driven by strong growth in regional (up 9%), with metro revenue in line with market (up 3%).

Total radio revenues for Q2 are pacing well with April finishing ahead 9% and May pacing to achieve double digit increases, as metro markets return to strong growth.

Encouragingly, Q2 national revenues onto regional are pacing to exceed 10% growth, providing a level of confidence around revenue synergy targets of \$6-\$8m identified for 2022, subject to market conditions.

Q1 digital billings finished up 50%. Against strengthening comparatives, Q2 digital billings are pacing to finish  $\sim$ 60% ahead of the prior comparative period

#### **Cody Outdoor**

Cody Outdoor has had a good start to the year, with revenues to the end of April finishing up over 10% on the prior comparative period.



# **Thank You**





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