# BLOOMSBURY PUBLISHING PLC

Investor Day – 2 June 2010
GENERATING VALUE FROM WITHIN

## SCHEDULE

Overview - Nigel Newton
Digital Overview - Richard Charkin
Public Library Online - Stephanie Duncan

- COFFEE BREAK -

Berg Fashion Library – Kathryn Earle

Database and Management Services – Kathy Rooney

Closing Remarks – Nigel Newton

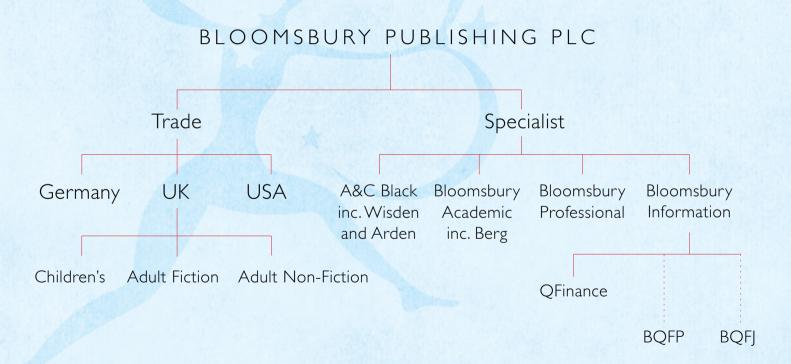
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## OVERVIEW

## Nigel Newton

Founder and Chief Executive Bloomsbury Publishing

## THE STRUCTURE OF BLOOMSBURY



## INTRODUCTION

- New profit centres transferring to digital delivery
  - Operational efficiencies using technology
    - Entrepreneurial skill-set for digital age
      - Value enhancement

## NEW PROFIT CENTRES

- Bloomsbury Professional
- Bloomsbury Academic
- Drama Online Methuen, Arden
  - Wisden India, Mobile, Online
- Bloomsbury Public Library Online
  - Berg Case Study
  - Management Contracts

## OPERATIONAL EFFICIENCIES

- NEW publishing software system Biblio 3
- NEW accounting software Access Dimensions
- NEW profit-enhancing business model for Australia
  - NEW distribution contracts in USA and UK
- NEW profit-enhancing printing contract for Germany

# DIGITAL OVERVIEW

### Richard Charkin

Executive Director Bloomsbury

## DIGITAL OVERVIEW

- Digital is not new
- Digital supply chain and marketplace
  - Platforms and devices
    - E-tailers
    - Business models

## NOTHING NEW UNDER THE SUN

#### 1970s

Financial innovation online – Reuters, Bloomberg

#### 1970s/80s

Legal and tax innovation online – Lexis Nexis, Westlaw

#### 1980s/90s

STM innovation online – Science Direct, Biomednet, SpringerLink

#### 1990s/00s

Education innovation online – whiteboards, ELCs, University of Phoenix

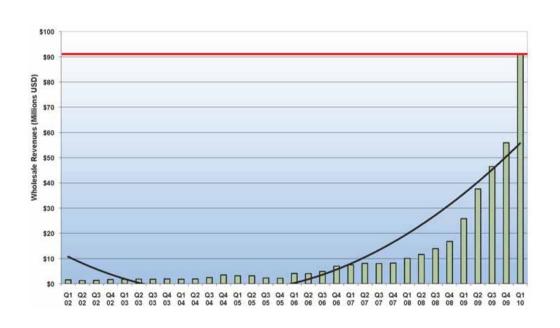
#### 2000s/10s

E-books and digital in general book publishing

## THE PRINT SUPPLY CHAIN



## E-BOOKS TAKE OFF!



## E-BOOK PLATFORMS AND DEVICES



## E-TAILERS AND AGGREGATORS



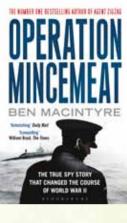
## FROM THEORY TO PRACTICE

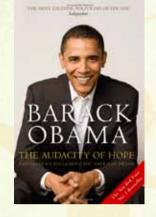
- Monetizing the Opportunities
- Bloomsbury Public Library Online
  - Berg Fashion Library

# BLOOMSBURY PUBLIC LIBRARY ONLINE: CASE STUDY

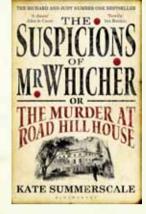
## Stephanie Duncan

Digital Media Director
Bloomsbury







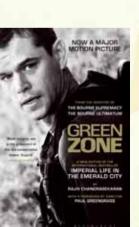




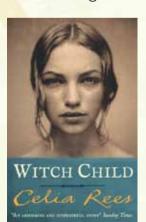
## BLOOMSBURY

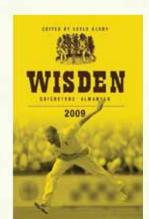
## PUBLIC LIBRARY ONLINE

Shortlisted for The Bookseller Digital Innovation Award 2010









Seamus Heaney District and Circle

## BLOOMSBURY PUBLIC LIBRARY ONLINE

- Objective: to generate subscription income and drive book sales
  - Support public libraries and literacy initiatives
    - Protect copyright and access
  - Promote authors and their books to a wider audience

## WHICH PUBLISHERS ARE INVOLVED SO FAR?

- A&C Black
- Allison & Busby
- Arden Shakespeare
  - Bloomsbury
  - Canongate
    - Faber
    - Quercus
    - Wisden

And we're in discussion with others to join this publisher-led online library supply initiative.



## UK PUBLIC LIBRARY AUTHORITIES

- I I UK Public Library Authorities subscribing, reaching over 5 million people
  - 52 UK Public Library Authorities considering subscribing
    - 151 UK Public Library Authorities in total
  - Featured in The British Library New Ways of Reading display
  - Cited as good practice in the London Mayor's Cultural Strategy (p 43)
    - Cited as one of of two UK public library supply initiatives in the Secretary of State for Culture Media and Sport's The Modernisation Review of Public Libraries (p 42)

## LIBRARY USAGE DRIVES BOOK SALES

#### In 2008/9:

- 35 million UK public library members
- 114 million UK public library web visits
- 310 million UK public library book loans

Surveys\* show that library use more than doubles library users' book purchases

\*www.readingagency.org.uk/adults/reading-for-pleasure-impact/index.html



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#### **Digital Library**

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#### **Digital Library**

Welcome to the Royal Borough of Kensington & Chelsea Digital Library, now the library is always open!

#### Overdrive digital Library

The Overdrive digital library is available 24/7. Explore our growing collection of audiobooks and eBooks.

Download your selections to your computer to use, or transfer to a compatible MP3 player or portable device.

#### **Bloomsbury Online Library**

The latest addtion to our digital library. All the books are accessed online 24hrs a day.

All the shelves can be accessed by clicking the link above. To go to a specific shelf please select a shelf below:

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- In My Own Words shelf
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- Reading Group shelf
- Soldiers and Spies shelf
- Teen Fiction shelf
- Writers on Writers shelf

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## POTENTIAL WORLD ENGLISH-LANGUAGE MARKET FOR PUBLIC LIBRARY ONLINE

UK: 60 million

USA and Canada: 340 million

Australia: 20 million

EU: 440 million

Speakers of English Worldwide: 1.8 billion

# BERG FASHION LIBRARY: CASE STUDY

## Kathryn Earle

Managing Director

Berg Publishers

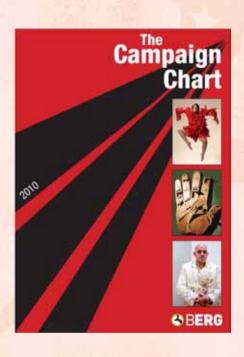
## BERG FASHION LIBRARY

- Fashion Market Place
  - The Resource
  - Business Model

## UK FASHION INDUSTRY STATISTICS

- In 2007, the UK fashion industry produced £3.8 billion worth of goods. Clothing and textile industries combined produced £8.5 billion worth of goods
  - The UK's second largest employer. (NB: UK government is keen to support London as a fashion centre)
  - In 2008 UK consumers spent £46bn (in current prices) on clothing and footwear
  - Designer fashion makes a net contribution to the UK economy of £450 million per annum. Overseas sales of apparel and textile industry combined are worth £7.3 billion at manufacturers prices
  - Major export sectors are USA, Japan, Russia, France, Italy, Middle East, Hong Kong, China
  - The online fashion market continues to boom and it is expected to reach £4.1 billion in 2009, up by 26% on 2008

# THE BUSINESS MODEL FOR BERG FASHION LIBRARY



- Sold on subscription to HE and FE colleges
- Price is banded by FTEs (ie student numbers)
  - Sold through library consortia often on multi-year deals
- 500 libraries worldwide @ £1500 pa = £750k
  - Less costs @ 37.5%
  - Potential contribution = @ £470k pa
  - This model can be rolled out across other subject areas throughout Bloomsbury

## BERG FASHION LIBRARY

- The first online portal to provide access to interdisciplinary and integrated book and journal content
  - Bringing together recent research and publications in one reference point
    - Unique in content and scope
- Covering all aspects of fashion, from prehistory to the present day
  - Available on annual subscription
  - Online educational resource for fashion students
    - Research tool for academics



## BERG FASHION LIBRARY CONTENT

- Berg Encyclopedia of World Dress and Fashion (10 volumes in print; 3.6 million words; 2000 images)
- Image Bank with 1600 V&A images and 2000 Metropolitan Museum of Art images forthcoming from 2011
  - E-books collection (60 titles)
- Other reference content (A-Z of Fashion, Dictionary of Fashion History)
  - Major statements
  - Collections directory
  - Sophisticated Search and Browse

## WHAT RESEARCHERS ARE LOOKING FOR



- Applied as well as theoretical information
  - Multi-format (text; image; multi-media)
- Comprehensive 'Subject Discovery Database'
  - International information on dress
    - Interactive community of users
      - Constantly updated

## ACADEMIC SUBSCRIPTION PRODUCTS



Cash generative (money always upfront)

- Renewal rates high
  - High price point
- High margin once established
  - No returns
- No stock write-offs with online
- Clear market no direct competition



## INVALUABLE FOR THE ACADEMIC MARKET



#### Fashion Design

Fashion looks to the past and to other cultures for design inspiration so images are important

Also includes information on designers (bios)

#### Fashion History & Theory

BFL covers all of fashion history, with focus on 19thC to present day

Strong on theory

Relevant to broad range of humanities / social science courses

#### Fashion Retail

Includes overviews of industry

## B2B WORLDWIDE SALES

- Museums
- Public libraries
- Fashion houses / retailers / design companies
  - Magazines / journalists
    - Fashion councils



## INCREASING SHAREHOLDER VALUE

- Cash-generative: money always upfront
  - B2B not B2C
- Multi-year subscription not one-off sales
  - Higher margin once established
  - No returns or stock write-offs
- Platform a template which can be reused
  - Develop once use many times
- Digital projects in development for Performing Arts, Law, Tax, Design, Craft, Food Studies

# DATABASE AND MANAGEMENT SERVICES

## Kathy Rooney

Managing Director
Bloomsbury Information

## OVERVIEW

- Creation and exploitation of IP
  - Bloomsbury's track record
    - Business model
      - Evolution

#### STILL NOTHING NEW UNDER THE SUN ...

- Reference and information publishing is based on creation and exploitation of copyright
  - Always part of Bloomsbury's business model
    - Encarta projects with Microsoft
      - Macmillan English Dictionary
    - Business The Ultimate Resource
    - QFINANCE The Ultimate Resource
      - And A&C Black's heritage:
  - Who's Who, Whitaker's Almanack, now Wisden, Arden

# REFERENCE AND INFORMATION: BUSINESS MODEL

- Publisher develops idea
- Publisher owns copyright and all rights
- Publisher controls how to exploit those rights
  - No royalties payable to authors
    - Contributors paid flat fees
  - Publisher revenue = £23.6m (1995 to date)
    - Value from within the publisher

# ENCARTA PROJECTS

- Electronic rights:
- Licence to Microsoft
  - Print rights:
- UK: retained by Bloomsbury
  - US: licence to St Martin's
- ANZ and India: licence to Macmillan

## BUSINESS - THE ULTIMATE RESOURCE

- Print:
- UK and rest of world
  - · Bloomsbury
    - US
    - · Perseus
  - Translation:
    - · German
    - · Chinese
    - · Japanese
    - · Korean
    - · Italian

- Non-exclusive electronic licences include:
  - Economist
  - London Business School
    - Emerald
    - Ebrary
    - Ebsco

## QFINANCE - THE ULTIMATE RESOURCE

- Gulf based
- Evolution of business model from print to digital
  - Online revenue streams
    - Advertising
    - Sponsorship
    - Contract value £7m



## WWW.QFINANCE.COM

- Over 66,000 monthly unique visitors
  - From over 100 countries
- Content partners include Lexis Nexis and Thomson Reuters
  - Online User Survey Results:
  - 72% of QFINANCE users are finance professionals

26% of users are academics/students (the remaining 2% are retired)
39% of the finance professionals are in a senior management role
64% of users have completed a postgraduate degree
40% of the finance professionals work in Banks/Financial institutions
60% of the finance professionals work in commercial/industrial organisations

- Unique Content: QFINANCE achieves a higher score (43%) than Bloomberg (27%) or FT.com (32%) on the uniqueness of its content
  - Breadth of content: 73% of users like the breadth of financial information offered by QFINANCE
  - Volume of response: Over 1,000 individuals filled in the survey
  - Geographic spread: Respondents came from over 100 countries



"QFINANCE provides information I cannot find elsewhere"

QFINANCE ONLINE SURVEY MARCH 2010

#### EVOLVING NEW BUSINESS MODELS

- Exploiting Bloomsbury's own capabilities and expertise
  - By providing management services

# BLOOMSBURY QATAR FOUNDATION PUBLISHING





- Three strategies:
- Publish in English and Arabic
- Foster a life-long love of reading and writing
- Knowledge transfer of publishing skills to Qatar

# BLOOMSBURY QATAR FOUNDATION JOURNALS

- Together with Qatar Foundation, Bloomsbury is developing a pioneering approach to Journals Publishing in the 21st century:
- High-quality journals publishing centre in Qatar for the international research community
  - Digital native multidisciplinary online publishing environment for research who prefer to use online material
    - Business model based on Open Access Author pays fee
      - Publish across all research areas internationally
  - Publish in English with Arabic Abstracts (and Arabic with English Abstracts)
  - Reinforce research commitment both in the MENA region and international in reach and content



#### MANAGEMENT CONTRACTS DELIVER VALUE

- Guaranteed income stream
- Six year contracts provide long-term earnings visibility
  - Secure against market fluctuations
- Excellent use of Bloomsbury's expertise, experience and entrepreneurial flair
  - Can be applied simultaneously on multiple projects

## WHY BLOOMSBURY?

- Bloomsbury delivers
- Entrepreneurial drive, energy and expertise
  - Innovative implementation
    - Quality
    - To schedule
  - Excellent track record
    - Project development
      - Achieving quality
  - Relationship management

#### AND TOMORROW?

- New projects in development
  - -The Future of Energy
- Water The Ultimate Resource
  - Arab Almanac
  - Wisden India
  - Drama Online
  - Ornithology Online
- New revenue streams starting to come on stream
  - Include advertising and sponsorship
  - Exploiting the Group's expertise in
    - Publishing
    - IP creation and exploitation
      - Business development
        - Management

## LEADING TO SHAREHOLDER VALUE

