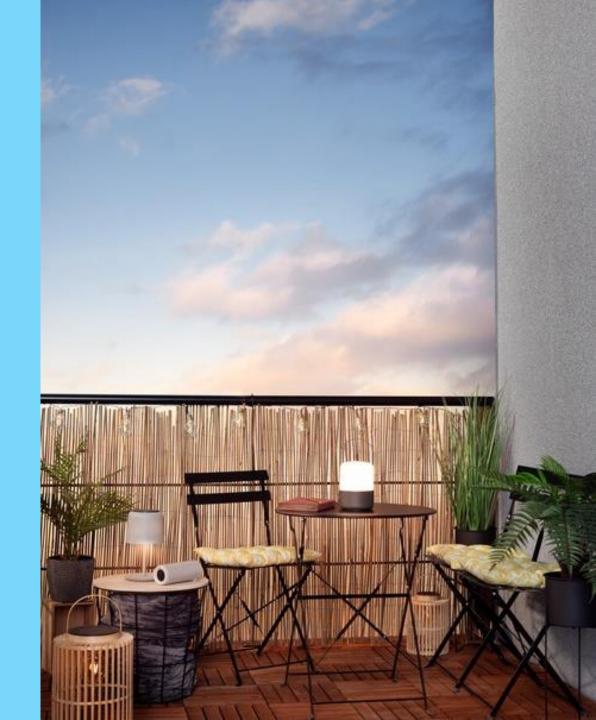


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**Pär Christiansen** CFO





# Agenda

- Business update
- Financial development
- Events after the reporting period
- Summary and Outlook
- Q&A

# Full year 2021/22

Organic sales growth +4%
 Operating profit +19% and EBIT margin 7.3%\*
 Strong cash position & net debt/EBITDA -0.5\*
 Resilient and flexible business model also in challenging market conditions
 Uncertain macro environment

\*Excl IFRS 16

# **Busin**ess update

# Q4 2021/22 in brief

- ✓ Organic sales +12% and LFL +11%
- ✓ Total sales +16%
- ✓ Online sales -19%
- ✓ Gross margin 39.7% (39.9)
- ✓ EBIT-margin increased to -0.6% (-4.2)
  - EBIT-margin excl. IFRS16 -1.7% (-5.3)
- ✓ Strong cash position & net debt/EBITDA -0.5\*



# Q4: Progress in our focus areas for 2021/22

### Strenghten key product categories

- Strong performance in key categories:
  - Cleaning
  - Solar lights
  - Storage
- Continued higher ATV



### **Capture traffic**

- 4.3 million Club Clas members in total
  - 20% member growth in Finland in Q4
- Traffic increase to physical stores in all markets compared to Q4 LY



### Grow e-com

- Higher conversion rate compared to Q4 LY in SE, FI, lower in NO due to closed stores LY
- Multi-channel marketing investments to drive spring sales



# Investing to boost top-of mind awareness as a home fixing destination

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#### **TV** Commercial



**Display banners** 



#### Club Clas



#### Paid Social









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Program and content sponsorships

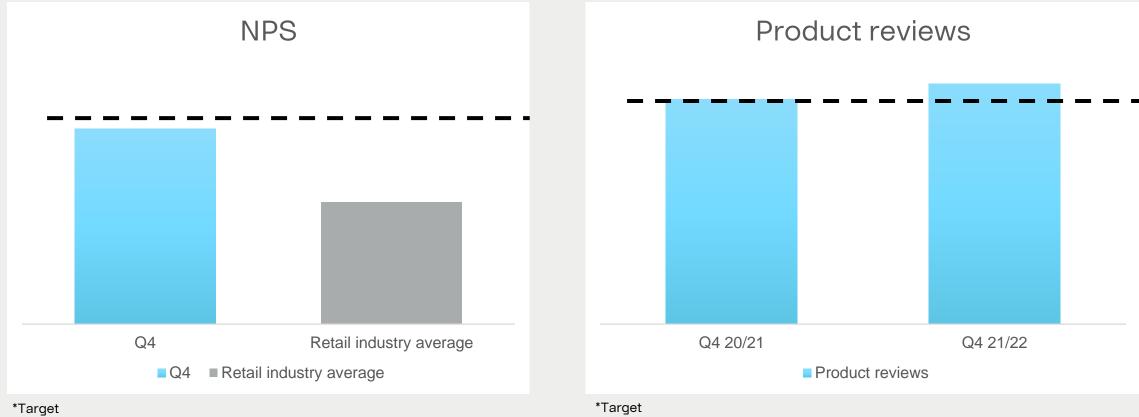
Radio collaboration

#### Focus areas during Q4:

- Organize
- Take care of your home
- Prepare and fix your outdoor area

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### **Customer satisfaction in focus**



# Integrating sustainability in our business

- Industry winner in Sweden and Norway in Sustainable Brand Index 2022. In Finland, on the top list of most improved brands – climbing 25 places
- Continuing to decrease CO2 emissions
  - Emissions from own operations decreased by 18% compared to LY (Scope 1 & 2)
- 92,400 spare parts sold in Q4, an increase of +40%
- Environmental audits now cover 83% of our purchase volume (71% Q3)
- 100% of suppliers free from critical findings in relation to our Code of Conduct (99% Q3)





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Being a sustainable longterm employer with happy co-workers reflecting all kinds of homes





Contributing to a fair and prosperous society for future generations – a child ambassador

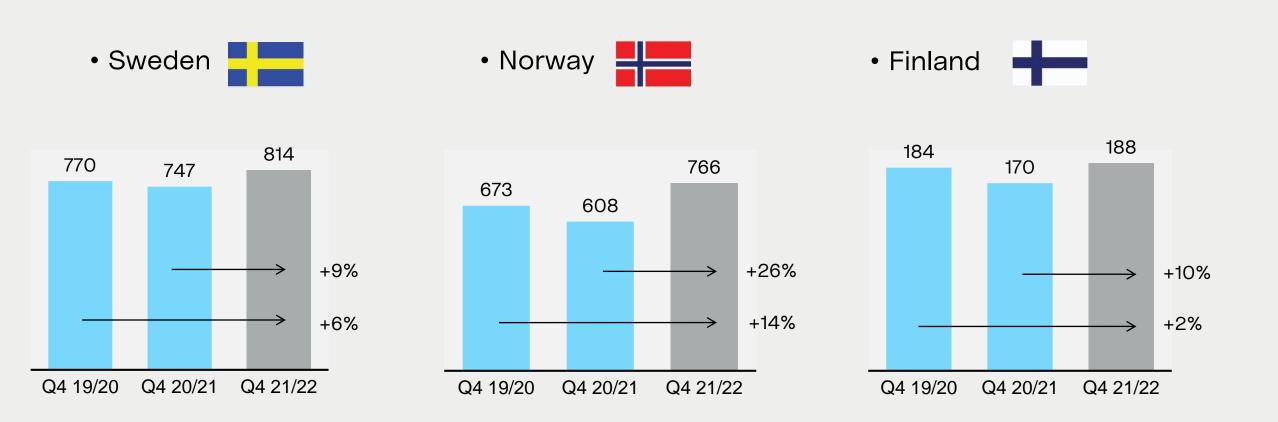
# **Financial development**

# Sales development in Q4

- Total sales up 16% to 1,780 MSEK, organic sales up 12% and LFL sales up 11%
- Organic sales development per market:
  - Sweden +9%
  - Norway +18%
  - Finland +7%
  - Outside Nordics -17%
- The store network was increased by 1 store compared to end of period last year

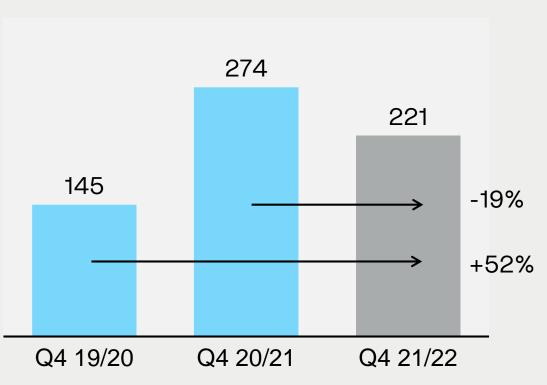


# Total sales per market in Q4 compared to the previous two years, MSEK



# Online sales in Q4 compared to the previous two years

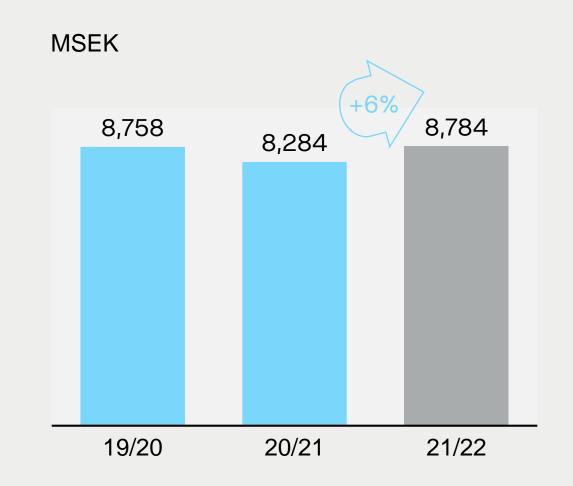
• Online sales down 19% to 221 MSEK, corresponding to approx. 12% of total sales



#### **MSEK**

### Sales development FY

- Total sales up 6% to 8,784 MSEK, organic sales up 4% and LFL sales up 4%
  - Sweden +6% organic
  - Norway +3% organic
  - Finland +1% organic
  - Outside Nordics -5% organic
- Online sales up 9%
- +1 store net during the period

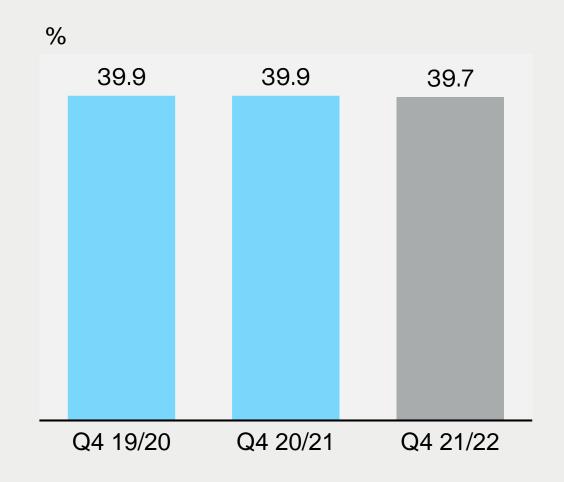


# Gross margin in Q4

Gross margin decreased to 39.7% (39.9)

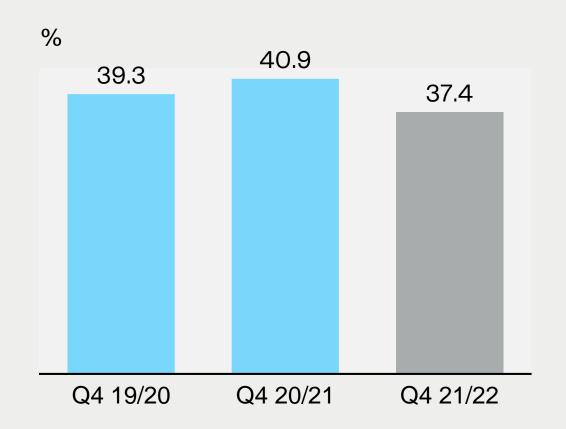
 $\rightarrow$  Positively impacted by a stronger sales currency (NOK), increased prices and a weaker purchasing currency (USD) in relation to the SEK.

 $\rightarrow$  Negatively impacted by increased sourcing costs, product mix and a higher campaign intensity and effects of currency hedging (NOK) from currency forwards and exchange-rate effects related to delays in inventory.



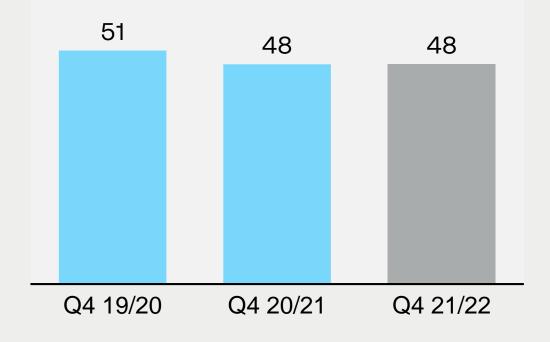
## Share of selling expenses in Q4

• Share of selling expenses decreased by 3.5% to 37.4% (40.9)



### Administrative expenses in Q4

- Administrative expenses in line with Q4 last year
- Continued cost focus

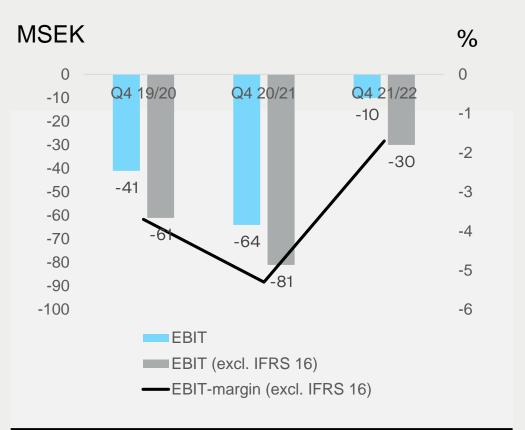


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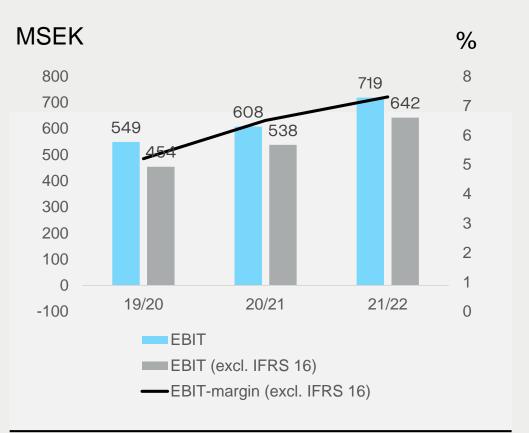
# **Operating profit in Q4**

- Operating profit increased to -10 MSEK (-64)
  Positive IFRS 16 effect of +20 MSEK (+17)
- EBIT-margin increased to -0.6% (-4.2%)
  - Positive IFRS 16 effect of +1.1 percentage points (+1.1)
  - -EBIT-margin excl IFRS 16 -1.7% (-5.3)
- Earnings per share was -0.25 SEK (-1.02)



# **Operating profit in FY**

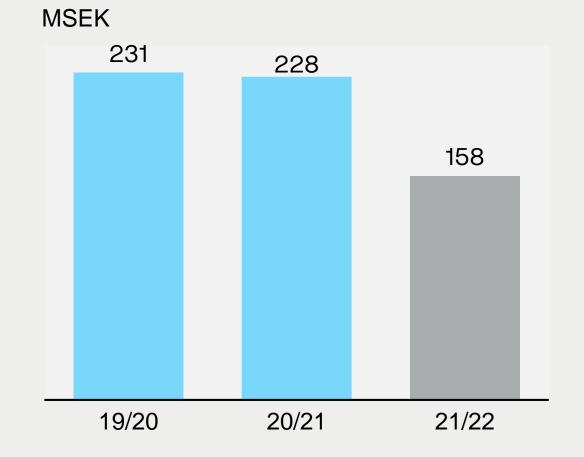
- Operating profit increased to 719 MSEK (608)
  Positive IFRS 16 effect of +78 MSEK (+70)
- EBIT-margin increased to 8.2% (7.3%)
  - Positive IFRS 16 effect of +0.9 percentage points (+0.9)
  - -EBIT-margin excl IFRS 16 7.3% (6.5)
- Earnings per share was 8.25 SEK (6.65)



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### **Investments FY**

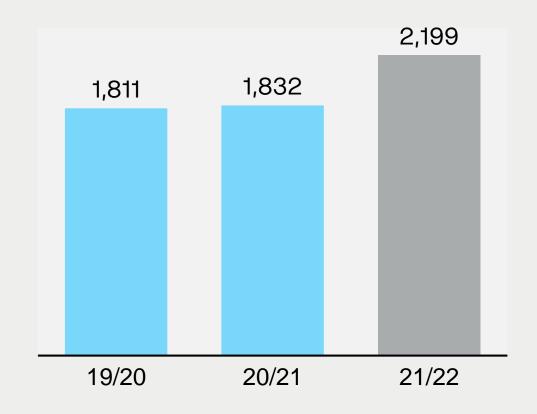
- Total investments 158 MSEK (228)
- New stores and refurbishments 62 MSEK (60)
- IT systems 53 MSEK (83)
- Other investments mainly related to improved distribution system



## **Inventory level FY**

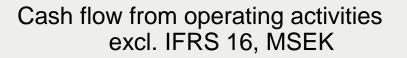
- Inventory level increased to 2,199 MSEK (1,832) at the end of the period
  - Well-balanced and the company now stands wellequipped for the first quarter
- Average inventory level LTM was 1,986 MSEK (1,731)
  - Inventory turnover rate DC 5.5 (5.8)

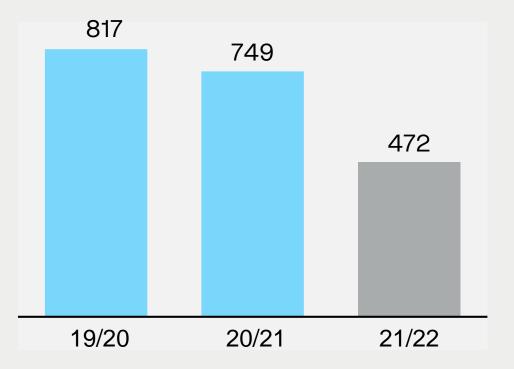
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# Cash flow FY and financial position

- Cash flow from operating activities excl. IFRS 16
  was 472 MSEK (749)
  - Cash flow from operating activities was 986 MSEK (1,288)
- Cash flow from investments and financing activities was -1,067 MSEK (-834)
- Net debt/EBITDA excl. IFRS 16 was -0.5 times (-0.7)
- Approved credit facilities of 650 MSEK of which used 0 MSEK





## **Proposed dividend**

- Proposed dividend 6.75 SEK per share (6.25) to be distributed as two separate payments of 3.375 SEK
- Proposed extra dividend 6.25 SEK per share to be distributed as two separate payments of 3.125 SEK
- In line with dividend policy

At least 50 per cent of earnings per share after tax, with consideration for the financial position



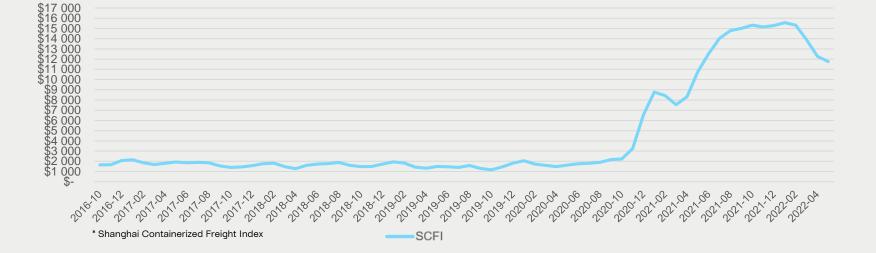
### Macro trends with business impact

#### Factors impacting Clas Ohlson:

- Container shipping costs and raw material and commodity prices
- Translation/transaction effects sales instant effects and purchasing with a time lag
- Hedging policy/effects
- Pricing effects

#### **Counteracting measures:**

- Pricing continuously optimizing prices
- Sourcing diversified sourcing strategy
- Optimize sales mix private label, product and category mix
- Products and packaging

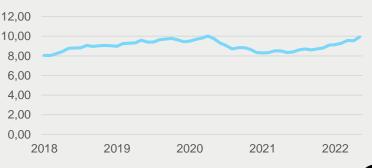


Prices for 40t containers from Asia to Gothenburg

#### NOK/SEK\*







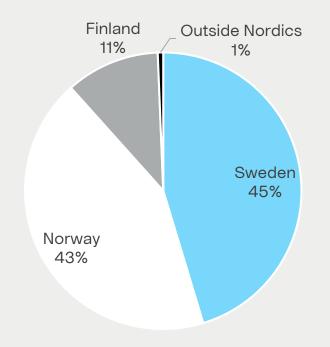
<sup>\*</sup> Monthly average, The Riksbank/Nasdaq

### **Events after the reporting period**

## **UK update**

### Distribution of sales FY 21/22

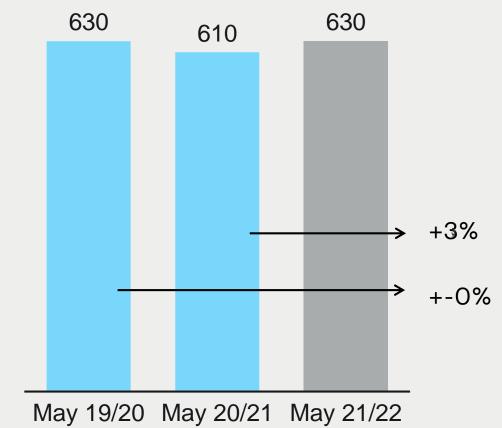
- Board decision to leave the UK market, in line with strategic focus on the Nordic markets
- Short-term financial impact of closure –35 MSEK
  - Cost will affect 2022/23



## May sales development

- Total sales up 3% to 630 MSEK, organic sales up 2% and LFL up 1%
  - Sweden +3% organic
  - Norway -2% organic
  - Finland +12% organic
  - Outside Nordics -16% organic
- Positive calendar effect of 3%
- Online sales up +9%
- Decrease of 1 store compared to end of May last year

MSEK



## **Summary and outlook**

# Well positioned for growth and ready to shift gear

- Strong financial position and financial preparedness
- Proposed dividend 6.75 SEK per share and 6.25 SEK per share as extra dividend, to be distributed as two separate payments in September and January
- Investing in marketing and attractive customer offers to be a top-of mind destination for home fixing
- An updated strategy for sustainable profitable growth





