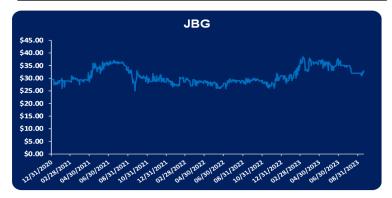


LOCAL STOCK MARKET: (JS)*

Stock Symbol	JBG	LASD	TROPICAL	ссс	XFUND
Last Traded Price (\$)	32.98	4.35	1.89	49.85	8.00
Trailing EPS (\$)	3.85	0.42	0.14	5.62	0.35
P/E (times)	8.33	10.38	13.35	8.71	23.11
Projected P/E	6.72	9.06	12.38	8.12	17.56
Projected EPS (\$)	4.77	0.48	0.15	6.04	0.46
Book Value per share (\$)	22.35	2.52	0.82	37.00	8.81
Price/Book Value (times)	1.43	1.73	2.32	1.32	0.91
Dividend Yield (2022)	1.00%	3.47%	0.90%	N/A	N/A
Volumes	14,235	53,195	109,397	582,105	10,106
Recommendation	BUY	BUY	HOLD	HOLD	SELL



STOCK OF THE DAY: Jamaica Broilers Group Limited (JBG)

Unaudited financials for the first quarter ended July 29, 2023:

Jamaica Broilers Group Limited (JBG) for the first quarter ended July 29, 2023, reported a 2% increase in revenue totalling \$23.39 billion compared to \$22.98 billion in the corresponding three months last year.

Cost of Sales amounted to \$17.68 billion, a negligible increase from the corresponding quarter last year. Consequently, gross profit increased by 8% to \$5.71 billion compared to \$5.31 billion.

Other income increased by 103% to close at \$161.38 million (2022: \$79.32 million), while Distribution Costs increase by 4% from \$689.81 million in 2022 to \$720.24 million for the three months. Consequently, Administration and other expenses for the first quarter amounted to \$2.92 billion, a 2% decrease relative to \$2.98 billion reported in 2022.

Operating Profit for the three months amounted to \$2.23 billion, a 30% increase relative to \$1.72 billion reported in 2022. Finance Costs totalled \$632.63 million, a 98% increase from the corresponding period last year. (2022: \$319.63 million).

Profit before taxation amounted to \$1.63 billion, a 17% increase relative to \$1.40 billion reported in 2022.

Taxation amounted to \$392.75 million (2022: \$331.91 million). Net Profit for the three months amounted to \$1.24 billion, a 16% increase from the \$1.07 billion reported in 2022.

Net profit attributable to shareholders amounted to \$1.24 billion (2022: \$1.08 billion)

Consequently, Earnings Per Share for the three months amounted to \$1.03 (2022: EPS: \$0.89). The twelve-month trailing EPS was \$3.85, and the number of shares used in these calculations was 1,199,276,400.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE MARKET TRADING SUMMARY

	Currency	PURCHASE RATE			SALES RATE		
		Highest	Lowest	Weighted Average Rate	Highest	Lowest	Weighted Average Rate
	USD	156.2175	122.0835	153.7936	169.1200	126.4210	155.5961
	CAD	115.5500	92.7648	114.9393	121.5500	105.7600	115.3012
	GBP	195.5000	156.5380	186.9563	212.1280	178.4600	195.1722
	EURO	164.0000	132.6760	161.4470	181.3280	157.0000	168.1964

^{*}Rates as at September 15, 2023

MONEY MARKET

The Jamaican dollar fixed income market was not liquid in today's (September 18, 2023) trading session. The over night rate stood at 6.50% to 7.50%, while the 30-day rate was 8.00% to 9.00%.

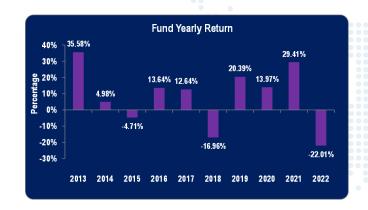
The US dollar fixed income market was also not liquid during today's (September 18, 2023) trading session. The overnight market rates were quoted at 1.00% to 1.50%, while the 30-day market rates stood at 4.25% to 5.50%.

OVER THE COUNTER FUNDS (CI FUNDS)

CI American Small Companies Corporate Class

This fund invests primarily in equity and equity-related securities of small to mid-capitalization North American companies.

The fund has a 3-year return of 7.68% and a 5-year return of 2.34%. The Fund also has a 10-year return of 5.46%. Rates are as at August 31, 2023.



Fed's Policy Paradox: Too-Slow Growth Threatens Inflation Fight

Faced with only limited signs of a slowdown in US demand despite more than five percentage points of interest-rate hikes, logic would say the Federal Reserve needs to do more.

But policymakers and Fed watchers are now giving more attention to a new line of argument, that central banks need to take account of what their actions mean for the supply side of the economy. The implication: Too-high rates could actually undermine the inflation fight, by squelching the benefits of increasing supply — which are just now coming on stream.

https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2023-09-17/fed-s-policyparadox-too-slow-growth-threatens-inflation-fight

Russia Raises Rates With Ruble Weaker Despite Emergency Hike

The European Central Bank may see inflation returning to its 2% target sooner than currently forecast, considering the fragile state of the economy, according to Clara Raposo, vice governor of the Bank of Portugal.

While Raposo said she's "not pessimistic" about the outlook, she expressed concern that dwindling export demand could further weigh on an economy already struggling to grow.

https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2023-09-18/ecb-may-see-2inflation-sooner-than-forecast-portugal-s-raposo-says

PLATINUM PORTFOLIO

Platinum Portfolio Yield Measures as at September 18, 2023

	Percentage (%)		
Yield to Maturity	6.99		
Weighted Average Coupon	4.88		
Current Yield	6.26		

The platinum portfolio has an effective maturity of 19.13 years and duration of 11.25 years.

STRUCTURED PRODUCT

Mayberry Platinum

The Mayberry Platinum portfolio is ideal for investors seeking a short to medium-term investment with returns denominated in hard currency. The portfolio comprises Investment Grade corporate and sovereign bonds, which provide strong yield and performance. The primary objective of this product is to provide our clients with income as well as capital appreciation. The Platinum portfolio enables the client to take full advantage of a diversified bond portfolio and is ideal for persons who do not have the time to actively manage their own portfolio.

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BUY: We believe the stock is attractively valued. The company has sound or improving fundamentals that should allow it to outperform the broader market. We anticipate the stock will outperform the market over the next 12 months. The risk factors to achieving price targets are minimal.

HOLD: We believe the stock is fairly valued at the current price. The company may have issues affecting fundamentals that could take some time to resolve. Alternatively, company fundamentals may be sound, but this is fully reflected in the current stock price. The risk factors to achieving price targets are moderate. Some volatility is expected. In addition, technically it may be difficult to attain additional volume of the stock(s) at current price.

SELL: We believe the stock is overpriced relative to the soundness of the company's fundamentals and long-term prospects.

SPECULATIVE BUY: We believe the prospects for capital appreciation exist, however there is some level of uncertainty in revenue growth. Source: www.jamstockex.com, www.bloomberg.com, www.investopedia.com, www.tradewire.com





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