# March 2024 Leejam Sports Co.

# Investment Update



# Leejam Sports : Positives priced in at 2024E PE of 29.1x, maintain 'Neutral' rating

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Leejam posted inline with expectation earnings in Q4-23: Leejam posted Q4-23 net income of SAR 129mn up 22.8% Y/Y (up 40.2% Q/Q), despite increase in finance costs (due to increase in interest rates), more club repair and maintanence expenses and additional number of 24 hour centers. The result is inline with our and concensus expectation of SAR 126mn and SAR 122mn, respectively. On a full year basis net income grew by 39.6% Y/Y in 2023, despite the aforementioned factors and asset write offs of two centres that were closed during the year due to being within the expropriated areas in favor of the Diriyah Gate Project. The fitness giant's membership subscriptions grew to record high of 396k in 2023, up 21% Y/Y. Total revenue of male centers stood at SAR 997mn in 2023 up 23% Y/Y, while revenue from female centers reached SAR 328mn, up 27% Y/Y. Paid programs revenues logged in a massive increase of 44% Y/Y and reached SAR 148mn in 2023, this increase is owed to the investments Leejam made in fitness offerings related to swimming, group exercises and special exercises.

**Notable enhancement in profitibility metrices due to fixed cost business model:** Leejam has exceeded expectations in terms of new subscriptions with total membership count up 21.8% Y/Y in 2023 to 396k. The aforementioned growth comes on the back of addition of 9 new male and female Big box centers, 11 new Xpress centres and new paid programs and group exercises (the company conducted 716k paid program sessions in 2023 as compared to 337k in 2022). Since leejam has a fixed cost model (70-75% of costs are fixed), a sizable portion of the incremental revenues seeped into gross profit, enhancing gross margins by 350bps Y/Y in 2023 to 44.2%. Operating margins improved by 330bps Y/Y to 34% in 2023. The aforementioned improvement in margins and 24.3% Y/Y growth in topline resulted in a 39.6% Y/Y expansion in bottom line in 2023. After the major enhancement in margins seen in 2023, we expect GPM to decline by 93bps in 2024, due to sizable increase in number of centres. We also expect revenue per centre to decline in 2024, as new centers will take time to ramp up.

**Expanding into new segments and demographics organically and through acquisitions:** To further grow footprints in the fitness market, leejam acquired T-sport KSA in 2023, which operates 8 crossfit studios under the brand name 3days and 2 boxing concept boutiques under the brand Box12. Leejam also invested in Padel sports in 2023, and launched other sport acitivities like football, basketball, swimming in fitness time centres. Entering in a partnership with Burjeel holding, leejam added physiotherapy segment. The company also started an exclusive swimming acedamy called BLU swimming academy for children, which utilizes existing infrastructure. With its acquisition of T-Sport KSA, leejam also operates two martial arts facilities for kids. To improve customer experience the company continued to invest in its digital platforms that enable customers to buy, pay, book, sign in and rate sessions. Moreover the online platform has also improved interaction with personal trainers.

Recommendation	Neutral
Target Price (SAR)	194.0
Upside / (Downside)*	-19.0%

Source: Tadawul \*prices as of 20th March 2024

## **Key Financials**

SARmn (unless specified)	FY22	FY23	FY24E	FY25E		
Revenue	1,066	1,325	1,509	1,679		
Growth %	20.4%	24.3%	13.9%	11.3%		
Gross Profit	434	585	652	724		
Net Profit	255	356	432	492		
Growth %	23.8%	39.6%	21.3%	14.0%		
EPS	4.87	6.80	8.24	9.40		
DPS	2.46	3.67	4.45	5.17		
Source: Company reports, Aliazira Capital						

#### Revenue (SAR mn) and GP Margin



Source: AlJazira Capital, Company reports

#### **Key Ratios**

	FY22	FY23	FY24E	FY25E		
GP Margin	40.7%	44.1%	43.2%	43.1%		
Net Margin	23.9%	26.9%	28.6%	29.3%		
P/E (x)	17.3	35.3	29.1	25.5		
P/B (x)	4.7	11.4	9.6	8.2		
EV/EBITDA (x)	9.5	19.6	17.3	15.5		
Dividend Yield	2.9%	1.5%	1.9%	2.2%		
Source: Company reports, Aljazira Capital						

#### **Key Market Data**

Market Cap (SAR bn)	12.8
YTD%	19.5
52 weeks (High)/(Low)	246.6/96.2
Share Outstanding (mn)	52.4
Source: Company reports, Aljazira Capital	

## Price Performance



Source: Tadawul, Aljazira Capital

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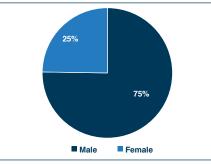


Expect strong medium term earnings growth rate: Overall, we expect Leejam to log in a 13.9% Y/Y growth in topline in 2024 to SAR 1.509mn and post net income growth of 20.8% Y/Y to SAR 430mn. We forecast gross margins to decline by 93bps in 2024 to 43.2% as new gyms will take time to ramp up while they would incur full expenses (management has guided 36 new centers for 2024). In the medium term (2023-26), we forecast Leejam to deliver topline CAGR of 12.6%, and net income CAGR of 16.6%. Margins are likely to remain stable in the medium term, however, revenue per center for male segment will see some contraction, as male segment will see sizable increase in share of xpress centres.

Investment thesis and valuation: Leejam has surpassed our anticipations in terms of new memberships (up 21% Y/Y in 2023), due to new openings, 24 hours gyms and ramping up of existing facilities. The fitness giant has also outperformed interms of margin improvement (GPM +350bps Y/Y in 2023) due to fixed cost business model. We see total sales and net income to grow at a medium term CAGR of 12.6% and 16.6%, which will be supported by favourable demographics, robust expansion plan (especially in Xpress gyms) and declining interest rates.

We value Leejam assigning 50% weight to DCF (2.5% terminal growth and 6.9% WACC), while we assign 50% weight to PE (23.0x based on FY24E EPS). Overall, trading at 2024E PE of 29.1x we maintain our rating to "Neutral" on Leejam with target price of SAR 194.0/share, implying 19.0% downside.

Revenue by gender 2023



Source: Company reports, AlJazira Capital

#### No. of centers & revenue per center



Source: Company reports, AlJazira capital

DCF	FY22	FY23E	FY24E	FY25E	FY26E	FY27E	FY28E
EBITDA	556.9	681.1	778.3	856.2	962.1	1,047.8	1,086.2
Working capital chg	-111.9	-74.1	-76.8	-68.1	-93.2	-63.1	-62.8
CFO	668.8	755.2	855.1	924.2	1,055.4	1,110.9	1,149.0
Capex	280.7	377.7	648.8	394.7	549.0	583.0	615.2
FCFF	388.0	377.5	206.3	529.6	506.4	527.9	533.7
Present value of FCFF	388.0	356.7	195.9	471.8	423.6	413.6	391.5
Sum of the PV							1,896.5
PV of terminal value							9,555.9
Enterprise Value							11,452.4
Cash							277.0
Debt							1,342.0
FV							10,387.4
Fair value per share							SAR 198.3

### **Blended Valuation**

All figures in SAR, unless specified	Fair value	Weights	Weighted average
DCF based value	198.3	50%	99.2
Relative Valuation - P/E	189.6	50%	94.8
Weighted average 12-month price target			194.0
Current Price (SAR/share)			239.6
Expected Capital Gain			-19.0%
Source: Company reports, AlJazira capital			

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# **Key Financial Data**

Income statement Revenues Y/Y Cost of Sales Gross profit General & administrative expenses Advertising and marketing expenses Other income, net Operating profit Y/Y	663 -29.9% (523) 140 (77) (16) - (6) NM (53)	885 33.6% (513) 372 (88) (14) - 258	1,066 <b>20.4%</b> (630) <b>434</b> (93) (14)	1,325 <b>24.3%</b> (740) <b>585</b> (116)	1,509 <b>13.9%</b> (857) <b>652</b>	1,679 <b>11.3%</b> (955)	1,893 <b>12.7%</b> (1,076)
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Operating profit	(6) NM		· _ /	(17)	(22)	(23)	(22)
	NM	258	7	11	12	13	15
V/V			327	450	512	570	647
	(6.3)	NM	26.6%	37.7%	13.7%	11.3%	13.5%
Finance cost		(46)	(59)	(83)	(69)	(64)	(61)
Profit before zakat	(59)	212	268	367	443	505	586
Zakat	-	(6)	(7)	(10)	(12)	(13)	(15)
Net income	(59)	206	255	356	432	492	570
Y/Y	NM	NM	23.8%	39.6%	21.3%	14.0%	15.9%
EPS (SAR)	-1.12	3.93	4.87	6.80	8.24	9.40	10.89
DPS (SAR)	0.00	1.23	2.46	3.67	4.45	5.17	5.99
Balance sheet Assets							
Cash & bank balance	258	180	301	482	432	652	819
Other current assets	67	70	61	80	92	106	114
Property & Equipment	1,448	1,513	1,538	1,638	1,968	2,023	2,201
Other non-current assets	794	831	798	847	901	956	1,013
Total Assets	2,567	2,594	2,698	3,047	3,394	3,737	4,147
Liabilities & owners' equity	_,	_,	_,	-,	-,	-,	.,
Total current liabilities	664	648	719	817	902	973	1,068
Total non-current liabilities	1,239	1,141	1,041	1,128	1,191	1,241	1,301
Paid -up capital	524	524	524	524	524	524	524
Statutory reserves	56	77	102	138	181	181	181
Retained earnings	85	204	312	441	596	818	1,074
Total owners' equity	664	805	939	1,102	1,301	1,522	1,779
Total equity & liabilities	2,567	2,594	2,698	3,047	3,394	3,737	4,147
Cashflow statement							
Operating activities	330	438	669	659	771	843	975
Investing activities	(110)	(228)	(180)	(265)	(528)	(269)	(416)
Financing activities	(30)	(289)	(369)	(212)	(293)	(355)	(392)
Change in cash	190	(78)	121	182	(50)	220	167
Ending cash balance	258	180	301	482	432	652	819
Key fundamental ratios							
Liquidity ratios							
Current ratio (x)	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.7	0.6	0.8	0.9
Quick ratio (x)	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.7	0.6	0.8	0.9
Profitability ratios GP Margin	21.1%	42.1%	40.7%	44.1%	43.2%	43.1%	43.2%
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Operating Margins EBITDA Margin	-0.9% 30.1%	29.2% 52.6%	30.7% 52.2%	34.0% 51.4%	33.9% 51.6%	33.9% 51.0%	34.2% 50.8%
Net Margins	-8.9%	52.6% 23.3%	52.2% 23.9%	26.9%	28.6%	51.0% 29.3%	30.8% 30.1%
Return on assets	-2.3%	8.0%	9.6%	12.4%	13.4%	13.8%	14.5%
Return on equity	-2.5%	28.0%	9.0 <i>%</i> 29.3%	34.9%	35.9%	34.9%	34.6%
Market/valuation ratios	0.070	20.0/0	20.0/0	04.070	00.070	0-1.0 /0	04.070
EV/sales (x)	7.8	7.7	4.9	10.1	8.9	7.9	6.9
EV/EBITDA (x)	26.0	14.7	9.5	19.6	17.3	15.5	13.7
EPS (SAR)	(1.1)	3.9	4.9	6.8	8.2	9.4	10.9
BVPS (SAR)	12.7	15.4	17.9	21.0	24.8	29.1	34.0
Market price (SAR)*	77.3	109.0	84.0	239.6	239.6	239.6	239.6
	4,049.0	5,709.4	4,399.9	12,550.2	12,550.2	12,550.2	12,550.2
Dividend yield	0.0%	1.1%	2.9%	1.5%	1.9%	2.2%	2.5%
P/E ratio (x)	(68.9)	27.7	17.3	35.3	29.1	25.5	22.0
P/BV ratio (x)	6.1	7.1	4.7	11.4	9.6	8.2	7.1

Source: Company financials, AlJazira Capital research





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