

# WAM CAPITAL LIMITED

(ACN 086 587 395)



## **WAM CAPITAL MARCH 2001 INVESTMENT UPDATE & NTA**

Since inception in August 1999 WAM Capital Ltd (WAM) has outperformed the overall sharemarket. WAM's portfolio (before all fees, costs, taxes and dividend) has increased by 49.9% compared to a 9.2% increase in the All Ordinaries Accumulation Index.

- Since 30<sup>th</sup> June 2000 WAM's gross portfolio has increased by 9.8% against a 2.3% fall in the All Ordinaries Accumulation Index.
- The NTA after all taxes and a 3c interim dividend was 109.8c a share, as at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2001.
- In March WAM's portfolio (before all fees, costs and taxes) decreased 3.7% while the All Ordinaries Accumulation Index decreased by 4.8%.
- The above figures have been calculated after the payment of a 3c fully franked interim dividend which was paid on 2nd April 2001. Also a 10c fully franked dividend was paid on 30<sup>th</sup> October 2000.

WAM is an investment company whose mission is to provide superior returns to its investors over the medium to long term. WAM is managed by Wilson Asset Management (International) Pty Limited.

### **MARKET OUTLOOK**

The interim reporting season has almost finished with the slow down in economic activity resulting in profit downgrades across most sectors. We expect earnings growth in the next 12 months to be minimal, but the effects of lower interest rates will result in an expansion of price earnings multiple and should stimulate a pick up in economic activity later this calendar year. We are gradually increasing our exposure to the equities market to benefit from these effects.

### **PORTFOLIO STRUCTURE & STRATEGY**

As at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2001 equities made up approximately 77% of the portfolio, while fixed interest, cash and listed debt instruments made up the remaining 23%. We continue to focus on companies with strong earnings per share growth, trading on attractive earnings multiples, that are well positioned in growth industries and have proven management. We continue to research heavily to find companies that meet this profile.

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## DIVIDENDS

The directors have declared that a 3c fully franked interim dividend will be paid with the shares trading exdividend on 16<sup>th</sup> March and payment date 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2001.

On the 30<sup>th</sup> October 2000 the company paid a 10c fully franked dividend made up of a 2c fully franked final dividend and an 8c fully franked special dividend.

## HOLDINGS

The major securities held as at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2001 in the fund give exposure to;

Healthscope	Lang Corporation
Snack Foods	Housewares International
Pacific Strategic Investments	Noni B (10.5% Conv. Note)
Sirtex Medical	Oamps
Reef Casino	Roberts
Brian McGuigan Wines	Renewable Energy
Port Douglas Reef Resorts (9% Conv. Note)	ION
Burns Philp	Stargames
RG Capital Radio	

## PERFORMANCE

		<b>Aug 99</b>	<b>Sep 99</b>	<b>Oct 99</b>	<b>Nov 99</b>	<b>Dec 99</b>
Gross Portfolio *		+1.4%	+5.1%	+4.1%	+11.0%	+4.9%
All Ordinaries Accumulation Index		-1.9%	-1.7%	+0.5%	+5.9%	+3.7%
	<b>Jan 00</b>	<b>Feb 00</b>	<b>Mar 00</b>	<b>Apr 00</b>	<b>May 00</b>	<b>Jun 00</b>
Gross Portfolio *	-2.0%	+5.4%	+5.3%	-5.7%	-2.9%	+3.6%
All Ordinaries Accumulation Index	-1.8%	+1.6%	+0.5%	-1.5%	-1.3%	+7.7%
	<b>Jul 00</b>	<b>Aug 00</b>	<b>Sep 00</b>	<b>Oct 00</b>	<b>Nov 00</b>	<b>Dec 00</b>
Gross Portfolio *	+2.9%	+5.2%	-0.7%	+2.5%	+1.9%	+0.1%
All Ordinaries Accumulation Index	-1.3%	+1.7%	+0.2%	-1.1%	+1.1%	-2.0%
	<b>Jan 01</b>	<b>Feb 01</b>	<b>Mar 01</b>			<b>Since Inception</b>
Gross Portfolio *	+1.7%	-0.2%	- 3.7%			+49.9%
All Ordinaries Accumulation Index	+4.4%	-0.2%	- 4.8%			+9.2%

\*The change in the portfolio before all expenses, fees and taxes

NTA before tax 31/03/01*	113.9c
NTA after tax 31/03/01	109.8c

\* This is after a payment of a fully franked 3c interim dividend.

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