

# WAM CAPITAL LIMITED

(ACN 086 587 395)



## **WAM CAPITAL FEBRUARY 2004** **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 220.8% compared to a 29.2% increase in the All Ordinaries Accumulation Index.

- Gross portfolio has risen 29.0% in the eight months to 29 February 2004.
- In February WAM's portfolio (before all fees, costs and taxes) increased by 2.7% while the All Ordinaries Accumulation Index increased by 3.1%.
- The NTA before tax was 158.4c\* a share, as at 29 February 2004.
- The NTA after tax was 145.2c\* a share, as at 29 February 2004.

\* Before the payment of a 5.0 cent fully franked dividend.

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.

### **DIVIDEND**

An interim dividend of 5.0 cents per share fully franked will be paid to shareholders on 27 April 2004. This is a 20% increase on the previous corresponding period. The shares will be quoted ex dividend on 13 April 2004. Option holders who exercise their options by 5.00pm 14 April 2004 will receive the dividend.

### **MARKET OUTLOOK**

The near term outlook for the Australian share market is currently being clouded by the prospect of higher interest rates. Even with sound earnings growth of 10 to 12%, share prices are at risk of drifting lower as an increase in interest rates would lead to a contraction in price earnings ratios. We remain cautious.

### **PORTFOLIO STRUCTURE & STRATEGY**

As at 29 February 2004 equities made up approximately 73% of the portfolio, while fixed interest, cash, and listed debt made up the remaining 27%. 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.

The major securities held as at 29 February in the fund give exposure to:

Primelife Corp. Ltd	Beston Wine Industry Trust
OFM Investment Group Ltd	Greens Foods Ltd
Select Harvest Ltd	Equity Capital Markets Ltd
Reckon Ltd	Promina Group Ltd
Australian Stock Exchange Ltd	Credit Corp. Group Ltd
RG Capital Radio Ltd	Oakton Ltd
Roberts Ltd	McGuigan Simeon Wines Ltd
Loftus Capital Partners Ltd	Nylex Ltd
OAMPS Ltd	Betcorp Ltd
Pacific Strategic Investments Ltd	Tassal Group Ltd
PCH Group Limited	Ten Network Holdings Ltd
Sydney Gas Ltd (12% Conv. Note)	AP Eagers Ltd
PowerTel Ltd	Ausdrill Ltd
Telecom Corp. of NZ Ltd	Mariner Retirement Ltd
Homeleisure Ltd	MMC Contrarian Ltd
Medical Development Ltd	Telecom NZ Limited

## PERFORMANCE

	Aug 99	Sep 99	Oct 99	Nov 99	Dec 99	Jan 00
Gross Portfolio *	+1.4%	+5.1%	+4.1%	+11.0%	+4.9%	-2.0%
All Ordinaries Accum.	-1.9%	-1.7%	+0.5%	+5.9%	+3.7%	-1.8%
	Feb 00	Mar 00	Apr 00	May 00	Jun 00	Jul 00
Gross Portfolio *	+5.4%	+5.3%	-5.7%	-2.9%	+3.6%	+2.9%
All Ordinaries Accum.	+1.6%	+0.5%	-1.5%	-1.3%	+7.7%	-1.3%
	Aug 00	Sep 00	Oct 00	Nov 00	Dec 00	Jan 01
Gross Portfolio *	+5.2%	-0.7%	+2.5%	+1.9%	+0.1%	+1.7%
All Ordinaries Accum.	+1.7%	+0.2%	-1.1%	+1.1%	-2.0%	+4.4%
	Feb 01	Mar 01	Apr 01	May 01	Jun 01	July 01
Gross Portfolio *	-0.2%	- 3.7%	+3.9%	+6.7%	+6.9%	-1.0%
All Ordinaries Accum.	-0.2%	- 4.8%	+5.7%	+1.6%	+3.8%	-4.5%
	Aug 01	Sep 01	Oct 01	Nov 01	Dec 01	Jan 02
Gross Portfolio *	+4.6%	-2.9%	+8.6%	+3.8%	+3.3%	+7.0%
All Ordinaries Accum.	-1.3%	-6.7%	+6.8%	+3.4%	+2.7%	+1.3%
	Feb 02	Mar 02	Apr 02	May 02	Jun 02	Jul 02
Gross Portfolio *	+3.1%	+4.9%	-0.4%	+0.7%	-2.2%	-3.0%
All Ordinaries Accum.	-1.1%	+0.8%	-1.8%	+0.9%	-4.4%	-4.1%
	Aug 02	Sep 02	Oct 02	Nov 02	Dec 02	Jan 03
Gross Portfolio *	+3.9%	-1.1%	+1.1%	+1.6%	+1.5%	+1.3%
All Ordinaries Accum.	+1.8%	-4.1%	+2.6%	+1.5%	-1.5%	-1.3%
	Feb 03	Mar 03	Apr 03	May 03	Jun 03	Jul 03
Gross Portfolio *	-1.7%	-0.4%	+3.8%	+1.5%	+3.5%	+3.6%
All Ordinaries Accum.	-5.1%	+3.4%	+4.4%	+0.5%	+1.3%	+3.6%
	Aug 03	Sept 03	Oct 03	Nov 03	Dec 03	Jan 04
Gross Portfolio *	+5.2%	+3.7%	+5.4%	-0.7%	+3.6%	+2.5%
All Ordinaries Accum.	+3.5%	-0.1%	+3.5%	-2.1%	+3.7%	-0.7%
	Feb 04	Since Inception				
Gross Portfolio *	+2.7%	+220.8%				
All Ordinaries Accum.	+3.1%	+29.2%				

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

NTA before tax	158.4c**
NTA after tax and before tax on unrealised gains	155.7c**
NTA after tax	145.2c**

\*\* Before the payment of a 5.0 cent fully franked dividend.

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