# WAM CAPITAL LIMITED

(ACN 086-587-395).



## WAM CAPITAL DECEMBER 2002 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 129.1% compared to a 11.2% increase in the All Ordinaries Accumulation Index.

- In December WAM's portfolio (before all fees, costs and taxes) increased by 1.3% while the All Ordinaries Accumulation Index fell by 1.5%.
- The ex dividend NTA before all taxes was 125.7c a share, as at 31<sup>st</sup> December.
- The ex dividend NTA after all taxes was 121.3c a share, as at 31<sup>st</sup> December.

The above figures are after the payment of a 4c fully franked final dividend and a 4c fully franked special dividend. The above figures are after 22,595,367 options, with a strike price of \$1.20 each, have been exercised. The Option issue expired on December 17.

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 market has now turned its focus to the upcoming half year profit reporting season. Despite great uncertainty with the global economic outlook we believe equity prices will be driven by earnings.

### PORTFOLIO STRUCTURE & STRATEGY

As at 31<sup>st</sup> December 2002 equities made up approximately 63% of the portfolio, while fixed interest, cash and debt securities made up the remaining 37%. 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.

### **DIVIDENDS**

The company paid, on  $7^{th}$  November 2002, a final dividend of 4 cents a share fully franked, and a special dividend of 4 cents a share fully franked.

The major securities held as at 31st December 2002 in the fund give exposure to:

McGuigan Simeon Wines Ltd Australian Stock Exchange Ltd RG Capital Radio Ltd

Roberts Ltd Nova Health Ltd Plaspak Group Ltd Loftus Capital Partners Ltd

Oamps Ltd

Sydney Gas 12% (Conv. Notes)

Burns Philip Ltd 7.5 %( Conv. Pref.)

Port Douglas Reef Resorts Ltd (Conv. Notes)

Timbercorp Ltd 9% (Conv. Pref.)

Select Harvests Ltd

Reynolds Wines Ltd 8.75% (Conv.Pref.)

Sirtex Medical Ltd Greens Foods Ltd Ridley Corporation Ltd Ten Network Holdings Ltd CPH Investment Corp

#### **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	Ann O1	May 01	Jun 01	July 01
Gross Portfolio *	-0.2%	- 3.7%	Apr 01 +3.9%	+6.7%	+6.9%	-1.0%
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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%	-3.6%
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	Since
						Inception
Gross Portfolio *	+4.2%	-1.4%	+0.6%	+1.3%	+1.3%	+129.1%
All Ordinaries Accum.	+1.8%	-4.1%	+2.6%	+1.5%	-1.5%	+11.2%

<sup>\*</sup>The change in the portfolio before all expenses, fees and taxes

NTA before tax **	125.7c	
NTA after tax and before tax on unrealised gains*	124.4c	
NTA after tax *	121.3c	

<sup>\*</sup> This is after the final payment of the dividend of 4 cents a share fully franked and the special dividend of 4 cents a share fully franked.

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<sup>\*\*</sup> This is after the payment of 4.1 cents a share in tax on profits made for the year to 30 June 2002 and the exercise of 22,595,367 options.