

Entry/Exit Prices: \$1.2561/\$1.2461

## Sandon Capital Activist Fund

December 2012 Monthly Report

## **Fund Description**

The objective of the Fund is to deliver returns to investors through a combination of capital growth and distributions. The Fund aims to achieve this objective by seeking to invest in opportunities that are considered by Sandon Capital to be trading below their intrinsic value and that offer the potential of being positively influenced by investors taking an active role in proposing changes in the areas of corporate governance, capital management, strategic and operational issues, management arrangements and other related activities. Neither returns nor capital are guaranteed.

Fund Details							
Structure	Wholesale unit trust	Minimum Investment	\$250,000 (or as agreed with trustee)				
Trustee	Fundhost Ltd	Trustee Fees	0.21%				
Custodian	National Australia Bank	Management Fees	1.33%				
Investment Manager	Sandon Capital Pty Ltd	Performance Fees	15.375% of returns above cash				
Website	www.sandoncapital.com.au	Buy/Sell Spread	±0.40%				
Inception	4 Sep 2009	Applications/Withdrawals	Monthly/Quarterly				

Fund Performance (calculated net of all fees, assuming reinvestment of distributions and using unit mid-price. YTD figure is compounded)													
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
2009									2.5%	2.4%	-0.9%	1.0%	5.0%
2010	1.0%	-0.3%	-0.7%	2.9%	-4.2%	4.2%	4.4%	-0.6%	2.3%	2.4%	3.5%	-0.9%	14.5%
2011	1.3%	0.6%	0.5%	1.3%	-1.9%	-2.7%	-0.1%	-0.1%	1.9%	2.1%	2.5%	2.2%	7.8%
2012	-1.0%	0.4%	1.8%	2.1%	-2.8%	-1.0%	3.3%	0.5%	2.5%	2.8%	0.1%	2.2%	11.1%

## **Fund Commentary**

The Fund delivered a return of 2.2% in December. The significant contributors to this results were from the Fund's financial services exposures, Calliden Group Ltd (CIX), which rose ~18.5% (~1.2% contribution), and another company whose shares rose 15% during the month contributed ~0.8% to the result. The Fund's listed investment company holdings were overall positive during the month (with share price moves ranging between being flat and rising up to ~14%).

Of the detractors to the month's results, two were resources companies, whose shares trade for less than their cash backing. Clearly a risk to these positions is that management of these companies spends the cash (unwisely). A feature of each is the meaningful number of shares held by directors, which provides some comfort that any major expenditures are likely to be beneficial to shareholders generally.

We deployed cash to increase some existing positions throughout the month and made a new investment that we consider prospective.

We continue to remain cautious about the global macro outlook, though actual (and expected) regulatory responses (that we do not consider solve root problems) can engender significant positive market responses. The consequences of the significant macro factors at play globally are difficult to predict or quantify.

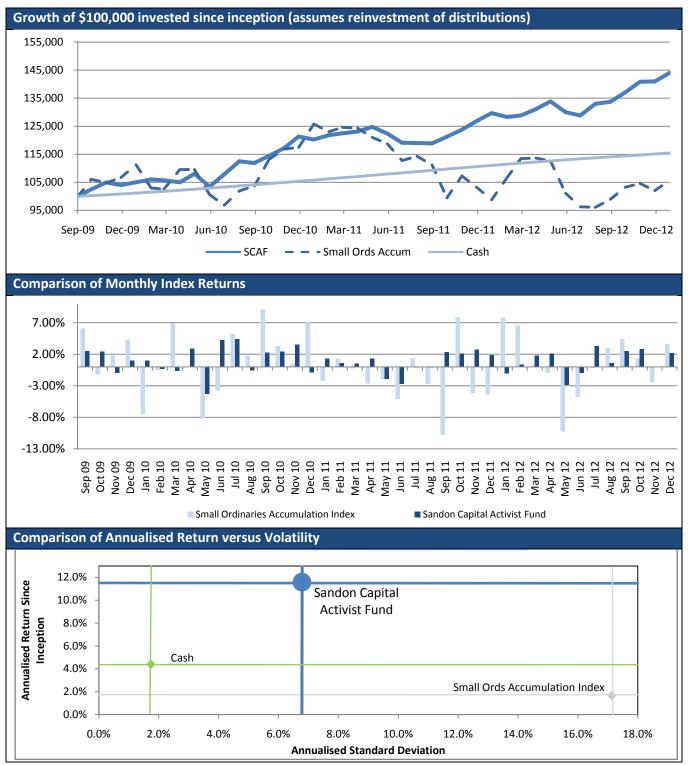
We remain focused on opportunities that have high levels of tangible assets, marketable securities or cash and whose prospects are somewhat independent of market and economic conditions, as we believe these offer the best risk-adjusted returns in the current environment.

Portfolio Exposures						
Long Exposure	70%	Long Positions	18			
Cash	30%					

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Note: SCAF returns are net of all fees and expenses. Fund inception is 4 September 2009.

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