

## **Samuel Terry Absolute Return Fund – September 2010 monthly report**

The Fund's performance, and those of the Australian All Ordinaries Accumulation Index and the MSCI World Equities Index, are as follow:

<b>To 30 September 2010</b>	<b>STAR</b>	<b>All Ords</b>	<b>MSCI (\$A)</b>
1 month	10.03%	5.02%	1.11%
3 months	23.30%	8.68%	-0.32%
1 year	32.07%	1.73%	-1.22%
3 years (%p.a.)	1.95%	-7.09%	-10.48%
Since inception on 1 November 2003 (%p.a.)	6.89%	9.61%	0.58%

Most of the Fund's return was due to large rises in three of our companies.

Indonesian television network, **Surya Citra Media** (now 6.3% of the Fund, was 10% a month ago) rose 69% on takeover speculation. The Fund sold over half its SCM shares because SCM shares are no longer dirt-cheap. Then again, at 9-11 times earnings, SCM shares are not expensive, for a high quality debt-free company whose profits are likely to go on growing strongly.

**Saracen Minerals**, an Australian gold producer (9.8% of the Fund) rose 36% despite a 3% fall in the \$A gold price. The reasons for the rise were strength in global gold shares, Merrill Lynch commencing coverage of Saracen with a "Buy" recommendation, and Saracen joining the ASX 300 Index.

**Macquarie Atlas Roads**, (9.5% of the Fund) which owns stakes in six highly leveraged toll roads in Europe and America, rose 25% because JP Morgan commenced coverage with an "Accumulate" recommendation. The broker forecast that MAR will commence paying dividends in 2013 (with a 13% yield on today's price), and forecast rapidly rising dividends after 2013.

The Fund's biggest loss was caused by the 8.6% rise in the Australian dollar against the US dollar, which cut 1.6% off the Fund's performance in \$A terms.

We commenced buying shares of a small Australian finance company, which trades at less than a third of net asset value, and is running off its assets. Its assets are complex, and it has substantial debt, so I do not expect it to become a large part of the Fund.

The Fund's net asset value per unit was \$A 1.1392 at the end of September. The Fund owned securities issued by 22 companies. 19% of the Fund was in \$A cash.

Fred Woollard  
15 October 2010

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