

Aurora Buy-Write Income Trust ASX Code: ABW Performance Report - 30 June 2009

Summary

- The Trust announced a pending change of Investment Strategy and Investment Manager
- The Trust announced a distribution of \$0.16 per Unit for the six months to 30 June 09, representing a total distribution for the 08/09 year of \$0.43 per Unit and a yield of 6.08%.



Monthly Performance

Jul 06	Aug 06	Sep 06	Oct 06	Nov 06	Dec 06	Jan 07	Feb 07	Mar 07	Apr 07	May 07	Jun 07	12 mths	Index ¹	Outperfomance
-0.16%	1.99%	3.78%	4.49%	4.04%	3.16%	2.47%	0.39%	3.36%	2.38%	0.12%	-1.56%	26.88%	28.66%	-1.78%
Jul 07	Aug 07	Sep 07	Oct 07	Nov 07	Dec 07	Jan 08	Feb 08	Mar 08	Apr 08	May 08	Jun 08	12 mths	Index ¹	Outperfomance
-2.43%	2.77%	2.23%	1.94%	-1.37%	-4.21%	-7.93%	-4.38%	0.38%	-0.27%	-1.26%	-11.35%	-22.96	-13.40%	-9.56%
Jul 08	Aug 08	Sep 08	Oct 08	Nov 08	Dec 08	Jan 09	Feb 09	Mar 09	Apr 09	May 09	Jun 09	12mths ²	Index ¹	Outperfomance
-1.50%	2.03%	-4.23%	-4.09%	-1.69%	1.20%	-1.20%	+1.08%	-0.19%	0.17%	0.00%	0.80%	-6.93%	-20.14%	+13.21%

Trust features

Unit pricing	Monthly.		
Distribution frequency	Half-yearly		
Distribution policy	The Trust will distribute 100% of its net realised gains each year		
Distribution Reinvestment Plan	Available.		
Applications	Investors may acquire Units on market or via the current Product Disclosure Statement.		
Redemptions	On market by selling on the ASX or off-market at the end of each month.		

Trust valuations

Market capitalisation	\$7,900,848
Net Asset Value (NAV)	\$8,296,569
Units on issue	1,357,534
Net Assets Value per Unit	\$6.1115
NAV plus distributions paid (since inception)	\$9.3486

Trust distributions (per Unit)

Period	Cash	Franking	Total	Yield at NAV (p.a.)	
31 Dec 06	\$0.2915	\$0.1249	\$0.4164	9.0%	
30 Jun 07	\$1.1774	\$0.2227	\$1.4001	25.3%	
31 Dec 07	\$0.2000	\$0.1990	\$0.3990	7.6%	
30 Jun 08	\$0.3514	\$0.2402	\$0.5916	11.9%	
31 Dec 08	\$0.2700	\$0.0000	\$0.2700	7.6%	
30 Jun 09	\$0.1600	\$0.0000	\$0.1600	5.1%	
Total	\$2.4503	\$0.7868	\$3.2371		

Trust Update

The Trust announced a distribution of \$0.16 per Unit for the six months to 30 June 09, representing a total distribution for the 08/09 year of \$0.43 per Unit and a yield of 6.08%. During this period the Trust held the majority of assets in cash, which impacted the level of distributions for the period. Holding cash over this period was part of the reason for the Trust significantly outperforming the S&P/ASX200 Accumulation Index (Index). Over the 08/09 financial year the Trust returned -6.9% whilst the Index returned -20.1%

New Investment Strategy

On 2nd July 2009 the following announcement was made to the ASX.

The Trust has outperformed the All Ordinaries Index by 14.9% over the past 11 months, which has been achieved through prudent management and the maintenance of high cash balances in the worst stock market collapse since the Great Depression of 1929. We now believe we have passed the point of maximum pessimism and there is no longer a benefit in restricting the upside of the Trust through writing call options, given the value that has appeared in recent months in Australian listed equities.

We are pleased to advise of the following initiatives which seek to enhance the future investment opportunities of the Trust, for the benefit of all Unit holders. These initiatives will include:

- exposing the Trust to the full S&P/ASX 200 Index exposure through a portfolio of shares or derivatives;
- eliminating call option writing as the main strategy of generating additional income; and
- introducing additional income generating strategies.

Enhanced Investment Strategy

The Investment Strategy is to be amended as follows:

- The Trust will generally hold S&P/ASX200 Index market exposure, either directly through a portfolio of shares, an Index ETF, or through derivative contracts;
- The Trust will actively invest in listed and unlisted managed investment schemes that provide exposure to index arbitrage, dividend arbitrage and earnings announcement arbitrage strategies. This may include investments in the related Trusts including the Aurora Sandringham Dividend Income Trust, Sandringham Global Earnings Trust or may be through direct investment in the underlying assets; and
- The Trust may utilise debt funding to allow it to invest in the arbitrage strategies from time to time. However, the Trust's overall market exposure is generally expected to remain at or around 100%.

Appointment of new Investment Manager

Subject to finalising discussions and documentation, we will appoint Sandringham Capital Pty Ltd ("Sandringham") as the new Investment Manager of the Trust, and look forward to their management of the Trust's Investment Strategy. Sandringham has established a strong track record and market reputation for creating consistent income returns for investors through the Aurora Sandringham Dividend Income Trust and the Sandringham Global Earnings Trust.

All management fees incurred by investing through related trusts of which Sandringham Capital Pty Ltd is the Investment Manager will be rebated to the Trust.

Appointment of Investment Advisor

Subject to finalising discussions and documentation, we will appoint Cadence Asset Management Pty Ltd as the Investment Advisor of the Trust, and look forward to their continued input in the implementation of the Trust's Investment Strategy.

ASX AQUA Market & Trust Name

As a part of the restructure of the Trust we will consider moving trading of the Trust's Units onto the new ASX "AQUA" market. Such a move, (if it is ultimately pursued) will not impose any practical difference to Unit holders in relation to how the Units may be traded. At this time we will also likely change the name of the Trust to more specifically reflect the amended Investment Strategy.

A new Product Disclosure Statement for the Trust will be issued shortly. All new applications are suspended until that time.

Signicant portfolio holdings at 2 July 09

	Weight (NAV%)	ASX Code
SPDR S&P/ASX200 Fund	99.0	STW
Total Invested as a % of NAV	99.0	

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- Aurora Sandringham Dividend Income Trust (ASX code: AOD)
- Aurora Infrastructure Buy-Write Income Trust (ASX code: AIB)
- Aurora Property Buy-Write Income Trust (ASX code:AUP)
- van Eyk Blueprint Alternatives Plus (ASX code: VBP)

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1 S&P/ASX200 Accumulation Index. 2. Assumes reinvestment of cash distributions 3.

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