



Annual Report 2024

Looking beyond the Horizon

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FINANCIAL YEAR END

30 June 2024

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of Global Masters Fund Limited:

WILL BE HELD AT:

The office of EC Pohl & Co Pty Ltd Level 12 Corporate Centre One 2 Corporate Ct Bundall QLD 4217

TIME:

12.00pm (QLD Time)

DATE:

Thursday 14 November 2024

INVESTING IN GLOBAL MASTERS FUND LIMITED

Investors can purchase shares in Global Masters Fund Limited through the Australian Securities Exchange.

ASX code: GFL

Global Masters Fund Limited ABN 84 109 047 618 Registered in NSW 12 May 2004



GLOBAL MASTERS FUND LIMITED DIRECTORS (from left to right)
Jason Pohl, Murray d'Almeida and Angela Obree



HIGHLIGHTS FOR 2024

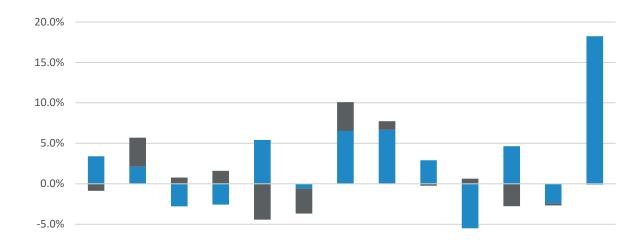
Highlights for the year ending June 2024

- Portfolio Performance was positive 17.9% compared to the MSCI Index in AUD which increased by 18.3%. The ASX All Ordinaries Index increased by 8.3% over the same period.
- Share price of Berkshire Hathaway A stock in US dollars increased by 18.2%.
- Net Tangible Assets (NTA) value of the Company per share increased by 17.6% before recognising the net deferred tax liability and share price increased by 25.5% to \$3.15 per share at 30 June 2024.

Portfolio Performance

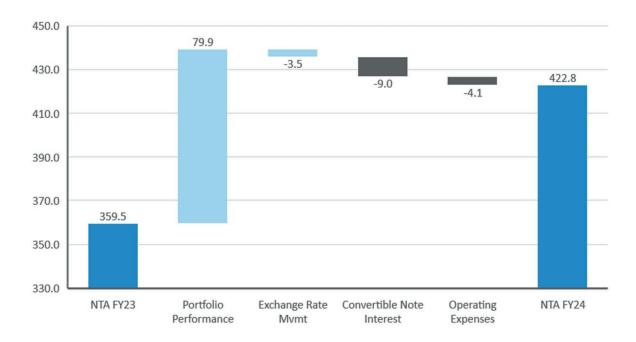
| | 1 year | 3 years p.a. | 5 years p.a. | 10 years p.a. | Since Inception (1 May 2006) p.a. |
|--------------------------|-----------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|--|
| Portfolio | 17.9% | 11.8% | 12.7% | 13.2% | 9.1% |
| ASX All Ordinaries Index | 8.27% | 1.9% | 3.7% | 4.1% | 2.4% |
| MSCI Index (AUD) | 18.3% | 9.4% | 11.2% | 11.0% | 6.1% |
| MSCI Index (USD) | 18.4% | 5.2% | 10.0% | 7.3% | 5.3% |

Monthly Movement - Berkshire Hathaway Inc Class A

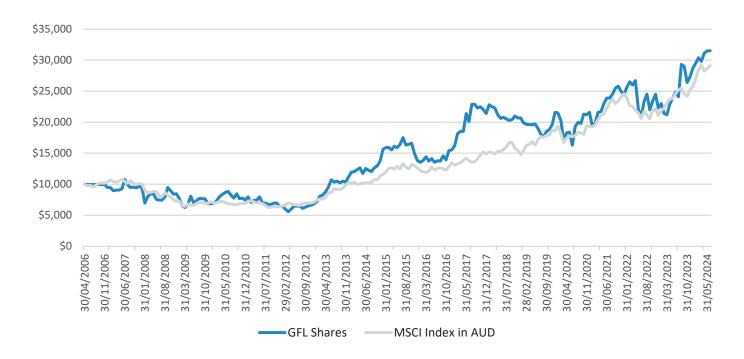


| -10.0% | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|
| 10.070 | 31 Jul | 31 Aug | 30 Sep | 31 Oct | 30 Nov | 31 Dec | 31 Jan | 29 Feb | 31 Mar | 30 Apr | 31 May | 30 Jun | FY24 |
| | 2023 | 2023 | 2023 | 2023 | 2023 | 2023 | 2024 | 2024 | 2024 | 2024 | 2024 | 2024 | F124 |
| ■ % mvmt in AUD/USD Rate | -0.9% | 3.6% | 0.8% | 1.6% | -4.4% | -3.1% | 3.6% | 1.1% | -0.2% | 0.6% | -2.8% | -0.3% | -0.1% |
| ■ % mvmt in BRK A Share Price | 3.4% | 2.1% | -2.8% | -2.6% | 5.4% | -0.6% | 6.5% | 6.7% | 2.9% | -5.5% | 4.7% | -2.4% | 18.2% |

Contribution to Net Tangible Assets (before tax on unrealised gains)



Value of GFL Investment Since Inception



OVERVIEW

COMPANY PROFILE

Global Masters Fund Limited (the "Company") was listed on the ASX in 2006 with the strategy to provide a vehicle for Australian Investors, seeking long-term capital growth through investing primarily in Berkshire Hathaway Inc - listed on the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) and other global investments. The Company has pursued an actively managed portfolio without reducing the Berkshire holding by utilising capital raising events, including a rights issue in 2017 and convertible notes offer in 2021. The active portfolio provides investment diversity via a bottom-up investment process and meets a growing demand for active management to drive out-performance.

The composition and performance of the overall investment portfolio is monitored by the Board of Directors, which comprises business people with many years of experience in business, investment and funds management.

OBJECTIVES

The investment objectives of Global Masters Fund Limited are:

- To achieve medium to long-term capital growth and income through investing in listed international companies; and
- To preserve and enhance the NTA backing per share after allowing for inflation.

INVESTOR BENEFITS

The benefits for investors in Global Masters Fund Limited are:

- Reduced share investment risk through a diversified investment portfolio;
- Professional and disciplined management of an investment portfolio;
- No entry or exit charges made by the Company; and
- Easy access to information via the Company's website www.globalmastersfund.com.au.

INVESTMENT MANAGER

The management of the Company's UK investment portfolio is undertaken by EC Pohl & Co Pty Ltd, which also provides administration support to GFL. Dr Manny Pohl AM is the Managing Director and major Shareholder of EC Pohl & Co Pty Ltd. Information on the Investment Manager is available from www.ecpohl.com.

ENVIRONMENT, SOCIAL, GOVERNANCE

A business can only maintain a sustainable competitive advantage if it adequately respects all stakeholders in the business and environment in which it operates. Companies that are not engaged in sustainable practices, will not be able to generate above average economic returns throughout their life cycle. To this end, the Manager's investment process scrutinises companies to see if they have the appropriate, and sensible Governance structures in place as well as incorporating sustainable practices into their day to day operations. Companies that don't meet standards of respect and integrity with regard to compensation structures, internal controls, accounting treatment, rules, relationships, systems and process throughout the organisation - are not included in the portfolio

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CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Dear Shareholders,

I am pleased to present the Annual Chairman's Report of Global Masters Fund Limited for the 2023/24 financial year.

THE YEAR IN REVIEW

The Global Masters Fund portfolio performed well during the financial year, delivering a positive return of 17.9%. The result reflects the performance of the global markets as represented by the MSCI Index in AUD which increased by 18.3% during the year. The performance this year is below the result last year of 25.6% which can be seen in the decline in overall total comprehensive income, however, it continues to add to the 18 year track record which is currently positive 9.1% compared to the MSCI Index in AUD which has returned 6.1% over the same period. Alongside the core investment in Berkshire Hathaway the Global Masters Fund portfolio contains quality growth companies that have a fundamental sustainable competitive advantage that allows them to thrive in challenging times compared to their peers. Given the economic back-drop of the current environment including a tight labour market, inflation driven cost pressures and sustained high interest rates it is these companies that are able to maintain earnings and profit margins to deliver superior investment performance.

BERKSHIRE HATHAWAY

The Company's core investment in Berkshire Hathaway delivered a very strong result. Berkshire Hathaway A Stock increased in price by 18.2% and B Stock increased by 19.3% in USD terms, the USD/AUD exchange rate change had only a minor impact of negative 0.1%.

Over the last twelve months there have been a number of relatively minor names removed from the Berkshire Hathaway portfolio. One of the more notable changes was the sell down of Apple Inc. At 30 June 2023 Apple made up 51% of the Berkshire portfolio, but after selling 126 million shares the holding represents only 43.4% of the portfolio. As Warren Buffet, the CEO of Berkshire Hathaway discussed at the recent AGM, the realisation of gains on the Apple holding was in part due to crystalising the tax liability which he considered opportunistic given the possibility of increased corporate tax rates in the future.

The biggest news regarding Berkshire during the year was the passing of Charlie Munger. Charlie was Vice-Chairman of Berkshire and a legend in the investment community. Only months away from his one hundredth birthday, Charlie dedicated his life to long-term investing and continuous learning. The internet is full of Charlie's wisdom, in celebration of his life here's a couple of my favourites:

"It's remarkable how much long-term advantage people like us have gotten by trying to be consistently not stupid, instead of trying to be very intelligent."

"If you want to succeed in investments, start early and try hard and keep doing it. All success comes that way, by and large."

- "I didn't get rich by buying stocks at a high price-earnings multiple in the midst of crazy speculative booms, and I'm not going to change."
- "Understanding both the power of compound return and the difficulty getting it is the heart and soul of understanding a lot of things."
- "There are huge advantages for an individual to get into a position where you make a few great investments and just sit back. You're paying less to brokers. You're listening to less nonsense."

Charlie provided insights and ideas in many fields but his themes for investing remained consistent: find good businesses and pay a fair price, own investments for the long term and let the gains compound over time. He was patient, he was thoughtful, he was generous. Rest in peace.

THE BOARD

I wish to record my appreciation for my fellow Board members for their support and contribution throughout the past year. The economic environment continues to be dominated by macro-themes; global economies are generally showing signs of resilience yet conflicts and geopolitics stimulate ongoing uncertainty. Sitting patiently through this volatility and taking time to consider how best to position Global Masters Fund for the future is the focus and concentration of the Board.

In conclusion, I would like to sincerely thank our Shareholders for your continued support. Long-term shareholders are the back-bone of any business and we are privileged to serve likeminded investors who are thinking long term and compounding over time.

Yours sincerely

Murray d'Almeida Chairman



DIRECTORS' REPORT

Your Directors present their report on Global Masters Fund Limited for the financial year ended 30 June 2024.

1. DIRECTORS

The following persons were Directors of Global Masters Fund Limited from the beginning of the financial year until the date of this report, unless otherwise stated: M d'Almeida, A Obree and J Pohl.

2. INFORMATION ON DIRECTORS



Murray H d'Almeida FAICD

Chairman, Non-Executive Director

Experience and expertise

Director since 3 November 2016 Chairman since 9 November 2018.

Over 38 years of diverse national and international business experience. Founded the Retail Food Group and developed a presence in seven overseas countries. Subsequently has maintained operating and board positions within a range of financial services, mining, commercial, academic, government and sporting businesses and organisations.

Listed company directorships

Chairman of ECP Emerging Growth Limited

Other directorships

Deputy Chancellor Southern Cross University Member of Gold Coast Light Rail Business Advisory Board Chairman of Zooz Pty Ltd

Former Listed Company directorships in last 3 years

Director of Triple Energy Limited (Nov 2022)

Interests in the Company

2,578 ordinary shares 1,613 convertible notes



Angela Obree B.Compt, MBA, MAICD

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Non-Executive Director

Experience and expertise

Appointed Non-Executive Director on 18 November 2021.

Angela has almost 25 years' experience in management consulting in the UK, South Africa, Ireland and Germany. She is a highly experienced commercial mediator, negotiation expert, and corporate crisis leader.

Listed company directorships

Director of Flagship Investments Limited

Other directorships

Director of Congrua Limited Director of ECP Asset Management Pty Ltd Director of Freedom Solutions Australia

Former Listed Company directorships in last 3 years

None

Interests in the Company

Nil ordinary shares 3,226 convertible notes



Jason C Pohl B.Com, LLB, MBA

Director

Experience and expertise

Appointed Director 21 February 2023.

Jason has ten years of professional experience in fundamental bottom-up investment research at ECP Asset Management Pty Ltd.

Originally pursuing a legal career, Jason spent his initial stages of his professional career working for Ashurst (previously Blake Dawson) before being admitted as a Legal Practitioner in the NSW Supreme

Listed company directorships

Alternate Director of Athelney Trust Plc

Other directorships

Director of The Tabu Vodka Co Pty Ltd Director of EC Pohl & Co RE Ltd

Former Listed Company directorships in last 3 years None

Interests in the Company 1,000 ordinary shares

6,452 convertible notes

DIRECTORS' REPORT (Continued)

3. PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

The principal activity of the Company is investing in Berkshire Hathaway Inc on NYSE and a diversified global portfolio of investments.

4. REVIEW OF OPERATIONS

At 30 June 2024, the Net Assets of the Company had increased by 4,664,911 (14.6%) over the twelve-month period. Overall portfolio performance of positive 17.9% is the key driver of the result which is then reduced by the impact of the convertible note interest expense of \$965,218 and operating expenses of \$435,750.

The international market broadly has out-performed the Australian market as demonstrated by the MSCI Index verses the ASX All Ordinaries Index. The MSCI Index increased by 18.4% during the year, while the ASX All Ordinaries Index increased by only 8.3%. The global performance has been led in the US by the tech giants forming the 'magnificent seven', which have benefited from Al focused investor interest.

Dissecting the performance of Global Masters, the Company's core investment in Berkshire Hathaway performed very well through the year. In local currency terms the share price of BRK A stock increased by 18.2% while the USD/AUD exchange rate remained consistent between the close of FY23 and FY24, with the Australian dollar strengthening marginally by 0.1%. The second biggest investment, the ECP Global Growth Fund increased by \$2,463,419 (22.3%). The ECP Global Growth Fund with a focus on global growth companies has a high exposure to technology businesses and was well positioned to benefit from the market optimism in this sector. The UK Portfolio performance in local currency was negative 6.9% during the year, compared to the FTSE Index which increased by 8.4%. While still maintaining out-performance since inception the UK portfolio has impacted the overall performance of GFL this year having a significant impact on the Statement of Profit or Loss. Total realised and unrealised gains in the P&L were \$584,557 last year compared to -\$394,722 in the current financial year.

The Investment Manager continues to focus on the fundamentals of their investment philosophy selecting quality growth companies that have the ability to generate predictable, above-average economic returns to produce superior investment performance over the long term.

SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN THE STATE OF AFFAIRS

There were no significant changes in the state of affairs of the Company during the financial year.

6. MATTERS SUBSEQUENT TO THE END OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR

No other matter or circumstance not otherwise dealt with in the Directors' Report or Financial Report, which has arisen since the end of the year that has significantly affected, or may significantly affect the operations of the Company, the results of those operations or the state of affairs of the Company in future financial years.

7. LIKELY DEVLOPMENTS AND EXPECTED RESULTS FROM OPERATIONS

There are no planned changes to the principle activities. Any general decline in equity markets may have an adverse effect on results in future years.

8. ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES

The Company's operations are not regulated by any significant environmental regulation under a law of the Commonwealth or of a State or Territory.

9. EARNINGS PER SHARE

Based on profit after income tax.

| | 2024 Cents | 2023 Cents |
|---|-------------------|----------------|
| Basic earnings per share Diluted earnings per share | (12.78) (3.72) | (5.77) 1.36 |

The Company records fair value movement for some of its investments in Other Comprehensive Income, therefore Total Comprehensive Income is a more appropriate base for detailing earnings per share.

| | 2024 Cents | 2023 Cents |
|----------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Comprehensive earnings per share | 43.50 | 54.38 |

See Note 17 of the Financial Report.

10. COMPANY SECRETARY

Scott Barrett B.Com, CA

Scott commenced as Company Secretary on 1 July 2021. Scott is a Chartered Accountant and is the Chief Financial Officer for EC Pohl & Co. Scott has extensive governance, business management and accounting experience working in subsidiaries of multinational groups from the hospitality and property industries.

11. MEETINGS OF DIRECTORS

The number of Directors' meetings attended by each of the Directors of the Company during the financial year were:

| BOARD MEETINGS | | | | | | | |
|----------------|--------------------|----------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Director | Eligible to attend | Attended | | | | | |
| M d'Almeida | 4 | 4 | | | | | |
| A Obree | 4 | 4 | | | | | |
| J C Pohl | 4 | 4 | | | | | |

12. REMUNERATION REPORT (AUDITED)

The remuneration report is set out under the following main headings:

- (A) Principles used to determine the nature and amount of remuneration
- (B) Details of remuneration
- (C) Service agreements
- (D) Share-based compensation
- (E) Related Party Transactions
- (F) Equity Instrument Disclosure relating to Key Management Personnel

(A) Principles used to determine the nature and amount of remuneration

Fees and payments to Directors reflect the demands which are made on, and the responsibilities of, the Directors.

No remuneration consultants were engaged during the year.

The per annum remuneration of the Directors remains unchanged from the previous year:

Chairman \$45,000Other Directors \$40,000

There is no performance based remuneration for Directors.

(B) Details of remuneration

Details of the remuneration of each Director of Global Masters Fund Limited and the executives of the Company are set out in the following table.

| DETAILS OF REMUNER | ATION | | | | | | | |
|------------------------|-------|---------|---------------|----------|------------|--------|--------|---------|
| Director | Year | Sho | ort-term Bene | fits | Post- | Equity | | Total |
| | | Fees | Performance | Non- | Employment | Shares | Option | |
| | | | Fees | monetary | Super | | S | |
| | | | | Benefits | ф | | | \$ |
| | | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | ф | Φ |
| 84 1141 + 1 * | | | | | | | \$ | |
| M d'Almeida * | 2024 | 46,125 | - | - | - | - | - | 46,125 |
| Non-executive Chairman | 2023 | 46,125 | - | - | - | - | - | 46,125 |
| Dr E C Pohl AM^ | 2024 | _ | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Managing Director | 2023 | 30,000 | - | - | - | - | - | 30,000 |
| A Obree | 2024 | 40,000 | - | - | - | - | - | 40,000 |
| Non-executive Director | 2023 | 40,000 | - | - | - | - | - | 40,000 |
| J Pohl * | 2024 | 40,500 | - | - | - | - | - | 40,500 |
| Executive Director | 2023 | 10,000 | - | - | - | - | - | 10,000 |
| Total Directors | 2024 | 126.625 | - | - | - | - | - | 126,625 |
| Remuneration | 2023 | 126,125 | - | - | - | - | - | 126,125 |

^{*} Inclusive of non-claimable GST amount

(C) Service agreements

As the Company does not employ any staff, there are no employment service agreements entered into by the Company. The Company Secretary is employed by the Investment Manager – EC Pohl & Co Pty Ltd.

(D) Share-based compensation

No share-based compensation exists.

(E) Related Party Transactions

| The following transactions occurred with other related parties: | 2024 \$ | 2023 \$ |
|--|------------|------------|
| Expenses paid or payable by the Company to EC Pohl & Co Pty Ltd: | | |
| - Performance Fee | - | - |
| Management Fee | 33,912 | 45,593 |
| Company secretary fees | 36,900 | 36,900 |

All related party transactions are made on an arm's length basis using standard terms and conditions and are in accordance with the Management Services Agreement as detailed in Note 22.

J Pohl has an interest in the transaction as he is a related party to EC Pohl & Co Pty Ltd.

[^] Resigned 30 June 2023

DIRECTORS' REPORT (Continued)

(F) Equity Instrument Disclosure relating to Key Management Personnel

The number of shares and convertible notes in the Company held during the financial year by each Director of Global Masters Fund Limited, either directly, indirectly or beneficially, including their related parties and powers of attorney issued under funds management agreements is set out below. There were no shares granted during the year as compensation.

| DIRECTOR | Shares / Convertible Notes | Balance At The Start Of The Year | Number acquired | Number Disposed | Other Changes During The Year | Balance At The End Of The Year |
|--------------|----------------------------------|--|--------------------|--------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| M d'Almadala | Shares | 2,578 | - | - | - | 2,578 |
| M d'Almeida | C-Notes | 1,613 | - | - | | 1,613 |
| A Obree | Shares | - | - | - | - | - |
| A Obree | C-Notes | 3,226 | - | - | - | 3,226 |
| I Dobl | Shares | 1,000 | - | - | - | 1,000 |
| J Pohl | C-Notes | 6,452 | - | - | - | 6,452 |

END OF REMUNERATION REPORT (AUDITED)

13. GENERAL TRANSACTIONS

Other than the Directors' remuneration, the Company does not directly contract with any of the Directors.

14. LOANS

There are no loans issued to any of the Directors (30 June 2023 – Nil).

15. OPTIONS

No options have been issued during or since the financial year (30 June 2023 - Nil).

16. INSURANCE OF OFFICERS AND/OR AUDITORS

During the financial year the Company insured the Directors and Officers against certain liabilities as permitted by the *Corporations Act 2001.* The insurance policy prohibits disclosure of the nature of the cover, the amount of the premium, the limit of liability and other terms.

The Company has entered into an agreement for the purpose of indemnifying Directors and Officers, to the extent permitted by law, against any liability (including the costs and expenses of defending actions for an actual or alleged liability) incurred in their capacity as a Director and Officer of the Company.

The Company has not during or since the financial year indemnified or paid any insurance premiums to indemnify the auditors.

17. PROCEEDINGS ON BEHALF OF THE COMPANY

No person has applied to the Court under Section 237 of the *Corporations Act 2001* for leave to bring proceedings on behalf of the Company, or to intervene in any proceeding to which the Company is a party, for the purpose of taking responsibility on behalf of the Company for all or part of those proceedings.

No proceedings have been brought or intervened in on behalf of the Company with leave of the Court under Section 237 of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

18. NON-AUDIT SERVICES

The Company may decide to employ the auditor on assignments additional to their statutory audit duties where the auditor's expertise and experience with the Company are important.

There have been no amounts paid or payable to the auditors for non-audit services provided during the year.

The Directors have considered the position and are satisfied that the provision of any non-audit services (if necessary in future) is compatible with the general standard of independence for auditors imposed by the *Corporations Act 2001*. The Board is satisfied that the provision of any non-audit services by the auditor, would not compromise the auditor independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001* for the following reasons:

- All non-audit services would be reviewed by the Board to ensure they do not impact the impartiality and objectivity of the auditor; and
- None of the services undermine the general principles relating to auditor independence as set out in APES 110, including reviewing or auditing the auditor's own work, acting in a management or a decision-making capacity for the Company, acting as advocate for the Company or jointly sharing economic risk and rewards.

A copy of the Auditor's Independence Declaration as required under section 307C of the *Corporation Act 2001* is set out on page 13.

Mr Murray d'Almeida

Chairman 28 August 2024



AUDITOR'S INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION UNDER SECTION 307C OF THE CORPORATIONS ACT 2001 TO THE DIRECTORS OF GLOBAL MASTERS FUND LIMITED

I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief during the year ended 30 June 2024, there have been:

- no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements as set out in the Corporations Act 2001 in relation to the audit; and
- ii. no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

Augmented Audit Co Pty Ltd Authorised Audit Company No. 541764

Jessica Johl Director 28 August 2024

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CORPORATE GOVERNANCE STATEMENT: FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

The Directors of Global Masters Fund Limited are committed to excellence in corporate governance. By adopting the ASX Corporate Governance Council's Corporate Governance Principles and incorporating industry best practice the Company has built a framework that supports our business performance and enhances transparency and accountability which ultimately protects the interests of Shareholders.

Below is a list of the Company's Corporate Governance Framework documents set out against the relevant ASX Governance Principles and Recommendations, the details of which are available on the Company's Website. The full Corporate Governance Statement for the year ending 30 June 2024 is also available on the website, at: http://www.globalmastersfund.com.au/corporategovernance/

ASX GOVERNANCE PRINCIPLES

RELEVANT DOCUMENT/INFORMATION

| Principle 1: Lay solid foundation for management |
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| |

Board Charter
Whistleblower Policy

Principle 2:

Structure the Board to be effective and add value

nt oversight

Board Charter
Diversity Policy

Principle 3:

Instil a culture of acting lawfully, ethically and responsibly

Values Statement Code of Conduct Share Trading Policy

Principle 4:

Safeguard the integrity of corporate reports

Board Charter
Code of Conduct

Principle 5:

Make timely and balanced disclosure

Disclosure Policy

Principle 6:

Respect the rights of security holders

Communications Policy
Privacy Policy

Principle 7:

Recognise and manage risk

Board Charter

Principle 8:

Remunerate fairly and responsibly

Board Charter

The Corporate Governance Statement explains the extent to which the Company complies with the ASX Corporate Governance Principles and Recommendations including how the policies above support Corporate Governance in the Company. Under the "if not, why not" approach the Board provide explanations as to why a particular recommendation is not appropriate to its circumstances. For clarity, the Board would like to highlight below the recommendations that have not been adopted and the reasons behind the decision:

ASX GOVERNANCE PRINCIPLES

COMPLIANCE STATEMENT

Principle 1:

Lay solid foundations for management and oversight

Compliant

Principle 2:

Structure the Board to add value

Recommendation 2.1: Establish a Nomination Committee Compliant

Note 2.1: The Company has not established a formal Nomination Committee, as the Board considers that, due to the specific scope and nature of the Company's activities, the whole Board should undertake the responsibility.

Principle 3:

Act ethically and responsibly

Compliant

Principle 4:

Safeguard integrity in corporate reporting

Recommendation 4.1: Establish an Audit Committee Compliant

Note 4.1: The Company has not established an Audit Committee. The full Board is responsible for appointment and removal of the external auditor and the rotation of the audit partner.

Principle 5:

Make timely and balanced disclosure

Compliant

Principle 6:

Respect the rights of security-holders

Compliant

Compliant

Principle 7: Recognise and manage

Recommendation 7.1: Risk Committee

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Note 7.1: The Board dissolved the Audit & Risk Committee, citing that the benefits of a separate committee were not being realised due to the composition of the committee and overlap with the Board. The Board has reviewed the Board Charter and its processes to ensure risk management is thoroughly managed.

Note 7.3: The Company does not have an internal audit function given the size and nature of the Company. Instead, the Board liaises closely with the Company's external auditor to identify potential improvements to the financial risk management and internal control process. The Board also interrogates the internal compliance and external audit of the Manager.

Recommendation 7.3: Internal audit function

Principle 8: Remunerate fairly and responsibly

Recommendation 8.1: Remuneration Committee

Recommendation 8.3: Equity-based remuneration

Compliant

Note 8.1: The Company does not have a Remuneration Committee, instead the full Board develops the remuneration policy balancing the need to attract high quality Directors, establishing appropriate incentives and commercial control of expenses. The establishment of a committee would not provide further efficiency to the operation of the Board given the Board size.

Note 8.3: Not Applicable

The Company does not have an equity-based remuneration scheme and does not intend to establish one. Recommendation 8.3 is not applicable.

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This financial report covers Global Masters Fund Limited as an individual entity. There are no controlled entities.

Global Masters Fund Limited is a company limited by shares, incorporated and domiciled in Australia. Its registered office and principal place of business is:

Global Masters Fund Limited Level 12 Corporate Centre One 2 Corporate Court **BUNDALL QLD 4217**

The financial report was authorised for issue by the Directors on 28 August 2024.

A description of the nature of the entity's operations and its principal activities is included in the Operating and Financial Review.

Through the use of the internet, we have ensured that our corporate reporting is timely, complete and available globally at minimum cost to the Company. All media releases, financial reports and other information are available from the Company at the above address or from our website:

www.globalmastersfund.com.au

GLOBAL MASTERS FUND LIMITED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

| | Notes | 2024 \$ | 2023 \$ |
|--|-------|-------------|------------|
| | | | |
| Other Income | 5 | 198,522 | 1,152,554 |
| Net unrealised gains/(losses) on investments through profit or loss | | (335,083) | (176,337) |
| Finance Expense | 14 | (965,218) | (921,421) |
| Other expenses | 6 | (435,750) | (435,221) |
| Profit/(Loss) before income tax | | (1,537,529) | (380,425) |
| Income tax benefit/(expense) | 7a _ | 167,311 | (237,934) |
| Net Profit/(Loss) for the year | _ | (1,370,218) | (618,359) |
| Other Comprehensive Income | | | |
| Realised and Unrealised gains/(loss) on Financial Assets taken to equity, net of tax | 7c | 6,035,129 | 6,449,455 |
| Total Comprehensive Income/(Loss) for the year | = | 4,664,911 | 5,831,096 |
| | | | |
| Earnings per share: | | Cents | Cents |
| Basic earnings per share | 17 | (12.78) | (5.77 |
| Diluted earnings per share | 17 | (3.72) | 1.36 |
| Comprehensive Income: | | | |
| | | | |

GLOBAL MASTERS FUND LIMITED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

AS AT 30 JUNE 2024

| | Notes | 2024 \$ | 2023 \$ |
|--|-------|-------------|------------|
| ACCETO | | | |
| ASSETS CURRENT ASSETS | | | |
| Cash and Cash Equivalents | 8 | 77,739 | 161,604 |
| Trade and Other Receivables | 9 | 62,867 | 64,681 |
| Other Assets | 10 | 51,098 | 51,947 |
| TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS | | 191,704 | 278,232 |
| NON-CURRENT ASSETS | | | |
| Financial Assets | 11 | 54,273,643 | 46,971,991 |
| TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS | | 54,273,643 | 46,971,991 |
| TOTAL ASSETS | | 54,465,347 | 47,250,223 |
| LIABILITIES | | | |
| CURRENT LIABILITIES Trade and Other Payables | 12 | 29,176 | 25,308 |
| TOTAL CURRENT LIABILIITES | | 29,176 | 25,308 |
| NON CURRENT LIABILITIES | • | | |
| NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES Deferred Tax Liabilities | 13 | 8,796,265 | 6,666,751 |
| Convertible Note Liability | 14 | 9,096,145 | 8,679,314 |
| TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES | • | 17,892,410 | 15,346,065 |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES | | 17,921,586 | 15,371,373 |
| NET ASSETS | | 36,543,761 | 31,878,850 |
| NET ASSETS | | 30,543,761 | 31,878,850 |
| EQUITY | | | |
| Option premium on convertible notes | 14 | 1,154,445 | 1,154,445 |
| Issued Capital | 15 | 12,871,873 | 12,871,873 |
| Reserves Patrimed Profits // A communicated leases) | 16 | 24,848,141 | 18,813,012 |
| Retained Profits/(Accumulated losses) | | (2,330,698) | (960,480) |
| TOTAL EQUITY | | 36,543,761 | 31,878,850 |

GLOBAL MASTERS FUND LIMITED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

| 2023 | Note | Issued Share Capital \$ | Retained Profits/ (Accumulated Losses) \$ | Asset Revaluation Reserve \$ | Asset Realisation Reserve \$ | Notes Option Premium \$ | Total Equity \$ |
|---------------------------------|------|----------------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Balance at 1 July 2022 | | 12,871,873 | (342,121) | 12,056,405 | 307,152 | 1,154,445 | 26,047,754 |
| Comprehensive Income | | | | | | | |
| Profit/(Loss) for the Year | | - | (618,359) | | - | - | (618,359) |
| Other Comprehensive Income | | - | _ | 6,449,455 | - | - | 6,449,455 |
| Total Comprehensive Income | | - | (618,359) | 6,449,455 | - | - | 5,831,096 |
| Other | | | | | | | |
| Transfer to realisation reserve | | - | - | 596,081 | (596,081) | - | - |
| Balance at 30 June 2023 | • | 12,871,873 | (960,480) | 19,101,941 | (288,929) | 1,154,445 | 31,878,850 |
| 2024 | Note | Issued Share Capital \$ | Retained Profits/ (Accumulated Losses) \$ | Asset Revaluation Reserve \$ | Asset Realisation Reserve \$ | Notes Option Premium \$ | Total Equity \$ |
| Balance at 1 July 2023 | | 12,871,873 | (960,480) | 19,101,941 | (288,929) | 1,154,445 | 31,878,850 |
| Comprehensive Income | | | | | | | |
| Profit/(Loss) for the Year | | - | (1,370,218) | - | - | - | (1,370,218) |
| Other Comprehensive Income | | - | - | 6,035,129 | - | - | 6,035,129 |
| Total Comprehensive Income | | - | (1,370,218) | 6,035,129 | - | - | 4,664,911 |
| Other | • | | | | | | |
| Transfer to realisation reserve | | - | - | (220,763) | 220,763 | - | - |
| Balance at 30 June 2024 | • | 12,871,873 | (2,330,698) | 24,916,307 | (68,166) | 1,154,445 | 36,543,761 |

GLOBAL MASTERS FUND LIMITED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

| | Notes | 2024 \$ | 2023 \$ |
|---|-------|--|--|
| CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES | | | |
| Distributions and Dividends received Interest received Interest paid on convertible notes Payments to suppliers and employees | 14 | 238,496 3,533 (548,387) (431,390) | 361,282 4,523 (550,000) (444,652) |
| Net cash used in operating activities | 25 | (737,746) | (628,847) |
| CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES Proceeds from sale of Investments Payments for Investments Net cash provided by investing activities | _ | 1,217,655 (565,737) 651,918 | 11,225,126 (10,625,222) 599,904 |
| CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES Net cash provided by financing activities | - | - | - |
| Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents held Effects of foreign currency exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents | | (85,828) 1,963 | (28,943) - |
| Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year Cash and cash equivalents at end of year | 8 | 161,604 77,739 | 190,547 161,604 |

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The functional and presentation currency of Global Masters Fund Limited is Australian dollars. Its shares are publicly traded on the Australian Securities Exchange ("ASX").

1. BASIS OF PREPARATION

The financial statements are general purpose financial statements that have been prepared in accordance with the Australian Accounting Standards and the *Corporations Act* 2001.

These financial statements and associated notes comply with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board.

The financial statements have been prepared on an accruals basis and are based on historical costs modified, where applicable, by the measurement at fair value of selected non-current assets, financial assets and financial liabilities.

Material accounting policies adopted in the preparation of these financial statements are presented below. The change from 'significant' to 'material' policies is discussed below in 2(c). Policies are consistent with prior reporting periods unless otherwise stated.

2. SUMMARY OF MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) Income Tax

The income tax expense recognised in the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income comprises of current income tax expense plus deferred tax expense.

Current tax is the amount of income taxes payable (recoverable) in respect of the taxable profit (loss) for the year and is measured at the amount expected to be paid to (recovered from) the taxation authorities, using the tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the end of the reporting period. Current tax liabilities (assets) are measured at the amounts expected to be paid to (recovered from) the relevant taxation authority.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured at the tax rates that are expected to apply to the period when the asset is realised or the liability is settled, based on tax rates (and tax laws) that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the end of the reporting period.

Deferred tax assets are recognised for all deductible temporary differences and unused tax losses to the extent that it is probable that taxable profit will be available against which the deductible temporary differences and losses can be utilised.

Current and deferred tax is recognised as income or an expense and included in profit or loss for the period except where the tax arises from a transaction which is recognised in other comprehensive income or equity, in which case the tax is recognised in other comprehensive income or equity respectively.

(b) Financial Instruments

The company holds investments in listed equities as its principle business, these investments are classified as either financial assets at fair value through profit or loss (FVPL) or financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI). The election is on the basis of two primary criteria:

- The contractual cash flow characteristics of the financial asset; and
- The business model for managing financial assets

Investments held in the actively managed UK portfolio have been designated as financial assets at fair value through profit or loss while all other investments, which are held for medium to long term capital appreciation, have been designated as financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income.

Financial Assets - Recognition

The Company's investments are recognised on the date that the company commits itself to the purchase of the asset (i.e. trade date accounting is adopted).

Investments are measured at fair value, which is determined by guoted prices in an active market.

Financial Assets - Subsequent Measurement

Securities held in the portfolio are revalued to market values at each reporting date. For investments designated as financial assets at fair value through profit or loss the realised and unrealised net gains or losses on the portfolio are recognised each period in the profit or loss. For investments designated as financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income the realised and unrealised net gains or losses on the portfolio are recognised in other comprehensive income.

Financial Assets - Derecognition

The Company derecognises an investment when it is sold or it transfers the investment and the transfer qualifies for derecognition in accordance with AASB 9. For investments designated as financial assets at fair value through profit or loss, upon derecognition the realised gain or loss is recognised in the profit or loss. For investments designated as financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income the unrealised gains/losses net of tax relating to the investment are transferred from the revaluation reserve to the realisation reserve.

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(b) Financial Instruments (continued)

Fair Value Estimation

The fair value of financial instruments traded in active markets (such as publicly traded derivatives and securities) is based on quoted market prices at the Statement of Financial Position date. The quoted market price used for financial assets held by the Company is the current bid price. The appropriate quoted market price for financial liabilities is the current bid price.

Convertible Notes

On the 24th of November 2021, the Company issued 3,225,806 Convertible Notes. These compound financial instruments are able to be converted to ordinary shares at the option of the noteholder in accordance with the Note Terms. The liability component is initially recognised as the difference between the compound financial instrument as a whole and the component associated with the conversion option. Initially the conversion option was considered a derivative liability measured at fair value using observable inputs, including share price on the grant date, share price volatility and 5 year bond rate. The attributable transaction costs were allocated to both the liability and derivative liability components in proportion to their carrying amounts, with the derivative liability portion is immediately recognised in the statement of profit or loss.

On 17 June 2022 there was an amendment to the conversion price features of the Note Terms and the conversion option was re-classified as equity. Prior to reclassification the conversion option was remeasured to fair value with the change recognised in the statement of profit or loss.

After initial recognition, the liability component of the compound financial instrument is measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method until extinguished on conversion or maturity of the notes. The carrying amount of the equity component is not remeasured in subsequent periods.

(c) Accounting Standards Adopted

The Company adopted the following accounting standards and interpretations during the period.

Material Accounting Policy Information

The Company adopted *Disclosure of Accounting Policies* (amendments to IAS 1 and IFRS Practice Statement 2). The amendments require the disclosure of 'material', rather than 'significant', accounting policies. The customised presentation allows users to focus on entity-specific accounting policies to understand the financial statements.

Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-Current

The Company has chosen to early adopt *Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-current – Amendments to IAS 1* which is effective from 1 January 2024 but not required until reporting period ending 30 June 2025.

The amendments were introduced to deal with liability classification issues relating to the right to defer settlement that need not be unconditional and exist at the end of the reporting period, classification based on rights to defer (not intention), liabilities settled by transferring own equity instruments prior to maturity, and additional disclosures where right to defer settlement is subject to entity complying with covenants within 12 months after the reporting period.

The amendment to the Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-Current will impact the presentation of the convertible note liability. Under the current standard the convertible note liability would now be presented as a current liability as the note-holders have the right to convert the notes to Ordinary Shares from 23 November 2023 onwards. Under the amendment, because the notes are only redeemable for ordinary shares, they remain a non-current liability until such time as the notes are redeemable for a cash payment. The Board has chosen to early adopt the amendment to consistently show the convertible note liability as a non-current liability which reflects the cash commitments of the Company.

(d) New Accounting Standards and Interpretations

The IASB has issued new and amended Accounting Standards and Interpretations that have mandatory application dates for future reporting periods. The following table highlights the forthcoming requirements which have not been early adopted and are not expected to have significant impact on the Company's financial statements.

| Effective date | New accounting standards or amendments |
|----------------|---|
| 1 | Lease Liability in a Sale and Leaseback - Amendments to IFRS 16 |
| 1 January 2024 | Supplier Finance Arrangements – Amendments to IAS 7 and IFRS 7 |
| | Lack of Exchangeability – Amendments to IAS 21 |
| 1 January 2025 | Sale of Contribution of Assets between an Investor and its Associate or Joint Venture – Amendments to IFRS 10 and IAS 28 |

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3. CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES AND JUDGEMENTS

(a) Key Estimates

There are no key assumptions or sources of estimation uncertainty that have a risk of causing material adjustment to the carrying amounts of certain assets and liabilities within the next annual reporting period as investments are carried at their market value.

(b) Key Judgements

The preparation of financial reports in conformity with Australian Account Standards require the use of certain critical accounting estimates. This requires the Board to exercise their judgement in the process of applying the Company's accounting policies.

The carrying amount of certain assets and liabilities are often determined based on estimates and assumptions of future events. In accordance with AASB 112 Income Taxes, deferred tax liabilities and deferred tax assets have been recognised for Capital Gains Tax (CGT) on the unrealised gains/losses in the investment portfolio at current tax rates.

As the Directors do not intend to dispose of the portfolio, the tax liability/benefit may not be crystallised at the amount disclosed in Note: 13. In addition, the tax liability/benefit that arises on the disposal of these securities may be impacted by changes in tax legislation relating to treatment of capital gains and the rate of taxation applicable to such gains/losses at the time of disposal.

The Company has an investment process which is anticipated will deliver medium to long-term capital growth - minimum investment period is three to five years.

The deferred tax asset recognised as a result of tax losses has been carried forward as it is believed that the investment process will deliver taxable profits over the investment period, this will allow the Company to utilise the deferred tax asset over time.

4. OPERATING SEGMENTS

Segment Information

The Company operates in the investment industry. Its core business focuses on investing in International equities to achieve medium to long-term capital growth and income.

Operating segments have been determined on the basis of reports reviewed by the Managing Director. The Managing Director is considered to be the chief operating decision maker of the Company. The Managing Director considers the business from both a product and geographic perspective and assesses performance and allocates resources on this basis. The Managing Director considers the business to consist of just one reportable segment.

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| | | Notes | 2024 \$ | 2023 \$ |
|------------|---|---------|---------------|-----------------|
| j. | OTHER INCOME | | | |
| | Dividends Income | | 254,628 | 387,137 |
| | Interest Received | | 3,533 | 4,523 |
| | Gain/(loss) on Sale of Other UK Investments | | (91,513) | 739,367 |
| | Realised Foreign Exchange Gain/(Loss) | | 31,874 | 21,527 |
| | | - | 198,522 | 1,152,554 |
| | | - | | |
|) . | OTHER EXPENSES | | | |
| | Auditors Remuneration | 23 | 17,938 | 15,375 |
| | ASX and Share Registry costs | | 60,588 | 57,70 |
| | Convertible Note Trustee Fees | | 51,250 | 51,250 |
| | Management Fees | | 33,912 | 45,593 |
| | Director Fees | | 126,625 | 126,125 |
| | Company Secretarial Services | | 36,900 | 36,900 |
| | Administration Costs | _ | 108,537 | 102,277 |
| | | _ | 435,750 | 435,22 |
| | (a) Reconciliation of income tax to accounting profit Accounting loss before tax Prima facie tax payable on ordinary activities before income tax rate at 30.0% | | (1,537,529) | (380,425 |
| | (2023 – 30.0%) | | (461,259) | (114,127 |
| | Adjust for tax effect of: | | 14.047 | 14.727 |
| | Fully Franked Dividends received Carried forward losses | | 14,267 | 14,734 |
| | - Franked Dividends receivable | | 202,761 88 | 271,383 (193 |
| | - Interest paid on convertible notes | | (164,516) | (165,000 |
| | - Non-assessable items | | 289,565 | 276,426 |
| | - Tech boost adjustment | | (3,766) | 210,420 |
| | Rebateable Fully Franked Dividends | | (44,451) | (45,289 |
| | Tax expense/(credit) shown in Profit and Loss statement | - | (167,311) | 237,934 |
| | rax expenses (credity shown in Front and Loss statement | - | (107,311) | 231,732 |
| | (b) The components of tax benefit comprise: | | | |
| | (Decrease)/Increase in deferred tax asset | | 66,223 | (283,272 |
| | Decrease/(increase) in deferred tax liability | _ | 101,089 | 45,338 |
| | Income tax (expense)/credit | = | 167,311 | (237,934 |
| | (c) Amounts recognised directly in Other Comprehensive Income | | | |
| | Aggregate current and deferred tax arising in the reporting period and not recogn Profit or Loss, but directly debited or credited in Other Comprehensive Income. | ised in | | |
| | Other Comprehensive Income before tax | | 8,331,954 | 8,825,81 |
| | | | (2,499,586) | (2,647,745 |
| | Tax Expense at 30.0% (2023: 30.0%) | | (2,477,500) | (2,041,140 |
| | Tax Expense at 30.0% (2023: 30.0%) Adjusted for tax effect of available losses | _ | 202,761 | 271,383 |

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

| | | NI | 2024 | 2023 |
|---------------|--|----------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| | | Notes | \$ | \$ |
| B. CAS | SH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS | | | |
| Cash | at bank and on hand | | 77,739 | 161,604 |
| Balan | ce as per Statement of Cash Flows | | 77,739 | 161,604 |
| Reco | nciliation of cash | | | |
| | and Cash Equivalents reported in the Statement of Cash Flows as equivalent items in the Statement of Financial Position as follows | | | |
| Cash | and Cash Equivalents | | 77,739 | 161,604 |
| . TRA | DE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES | | | |
| | RENT ends Receivable receivable | | 56,215 6,652 | 58,387 6,294 |
| | current trade and other receivables | | 62,867 | 64,681 |
| CURR | | | | 54.0.45 |
| | ayments | | 51,098 | 51,947 |
| | Other Assets NCIAL ASSETS | | 51,098 | 51,947 |
| | Current Financial Assets | | | |
| | d Investments - FVPL d Investments - FVOCI | 20 20 | 3,089,922 51,183,721 | 3,512,906 43,459,085 |
| Total | Financial Assets | | 54,273,643 | 46,971,991 |
| 2. TRAI | DE AND OTHER PAYABLES | | | |
| Withh PAYG | RENT e payables holding tax payable & Withholding payable ued expenses | | 8,923 2,814 2,301 15,138 | 10,504 1,260 1,794 11,750 |
| Total | Trade and Other Payables | | 29,176 | 25,308 |

GLOBAL MASTERS FUND LIMITED NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

| | | Notes | 2024 \$ | 2023 \$ |
|-------------------------|--|----------|-------------|-------------|
| 13. DEFERRED TAX | | | | |
| Deferred Tax Assets | | 13(a) | (1,364,170) | (1,189,799) |
| Deferred Tax Liabilitie | 98 | 13(b) | 10,160,435 | 7,856,550 |
| Net deferred tax liab | ilities adjusted for deferred tax assets | | 8,796,265 | 6,666,751 |
| (a) Deferred Tax As | sets attributable to: | | | |
| - Accruals | | | (4,541) | (3,525) |
| - Converti | ble notes transaction costs | | (34,483) | (48,850) |
| - Tax losse | S | <u>_</u> | (1,325,146) | (1,137,424) |
| | | _ | (1,364,170) | (1,189,799) |
| (b) Deferred Tax Lia | abilities attributable to: | | | |
| - Unfranke | d dividend receivable | | 16,760 | 17,323 |
| - Unrealise | d Gain on Financial Assets | _ | 10,143,675 | 7,839,227 |
| | | | 10,160,435 | 7,856,550 |

14. CONVERTIBLE NOTES

On the 24th of November 2021, the Company issued 3,225,806 listed, unsecured, redeemable, convertible notes (ASX: GFLGA) at \$3.10 per note raising a total of \$10.0 million. The convertible notes carry a fixed interest entitlement of 5.5% per annum paid quarterly with a step-up to 6.5% per annum on 23 November 2023 if the 2-year bank bill swap rate is above 1.8868%. At any time after the second anniversary of the issue date and before 10 days before maturity, the notes can be converted into ordinary shares on a one for one basis – alternatively the note capital will be repaid on the maturity date – 24 November 2026.

On 17 June 2022 the Note terms were amended triggering reclassification of the derivative liability to equity.

| Opening Balance - Convertible Note Liability | 8,679,314 | 8,307,893 |
|--|-----------|-----------|
| Finance Expense | 965,218 | 921,421 |
| Interest paid to note holders | (548,387) | (550,000) |
| Total Convertible Note Liability | 9,096,145 | 8,679,314 |

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

| | | | | | 2024 \$ | 2023 \$ |
|---|---|--|---|---|---|--|
| . ISSUED CA | APITAL | | | | | |
| (a) Share Capit | al | | | | | |
| 10,723,159 Ordina | ary Shares (2023: 10,723,159) | | | _ | 12,871,873 | 12,871,87 |
| (b) Ordinary SI | hares | | | | | |
| up of the Compa On a show of ha | entitle the holder to participa any in proportion to the numbe ands every holder of ordinary I to one vote, and upon a poll e | er of shares held. shares present a | t a meeting | in person or by | | |
| (c) Movements | s in ordinary share capital | | | | | |
| Date | Details | Number of Shares | Price | \$ | | |
| 30 June 2022 | Balance | 10,723,159 | | 12,871,873 | | |
| | Nil Movement in the year | | - | | | |
| 30 June 2023 | Balance | 10,723,159 | | 12,871,873 | | |
| | Nil Movement in the year | - | - | - | | |
| 30 June 2024 | Balance | 10,723,159 | | 12,871,873 | | |
| . RESERVES | | | | | | |
| (a) Asset Reval | luation Reserve | | | | 24,916,307 | 19,101,9 |
| | | | | | _ 1,7 10,001 | 17,101, |
| The asset reval | uation reserve records the u | | | | 2 1,7 10,000 | 17,101, |
| The asset reval | investments classified as fair v | | | | (68,166) | |
| The asset revalued deferred tax, on (b) Asset Realis | investments classified as fair v | value through oth | er compreherom the sale | ensive income. of investments, | | |
| The asset revalued deferred tax, on (b) Asset Realist The asset realisa net of tax, which | investments classified as fair v sation Reserve tion reserve records realised g | value through oth | er compreherom the sale | ensive income. of investments, | | (288,92 |
| The asset revalued deferred tax, on (b) Asset Realisa The asset realisa net of tax, which from reserves Total Reserves | investments classified as fair values at the sation Reserve tion reserve records realised go are transferred from the Asse | value through oth | er compreherom the sale | ensive income. of investments, | (68,166) | (288,92 |
| The asset revall deferred tax, on (b) Asset Realisa The asset realisa net of tax, which from reserves Total Reserves EARNINGS F | investments classified as fair values at least on Reserve tion reserve records realised go are transferred from the Asserve PER SHARE | value through oth gains and losses fi et Revaluation Re | er compreherom the sale serve, net o | ensive income. of investments, | (68,166) 24,848,141 | (288,9) |
| The asset revalued deferred tax, on (b) Asset Realisa. The asset realisa net of tax, which from reserves. Total Reserves. EARNINGS F. Net gain/(loss) u | investments classified as fair vesation Reserve tion reserve records realised go are transferred from the Asserve PER SHARE sed in calculating basic and dil | value through oth gains and losses f et Revaluation Re uted earnings per | or compreherom the sale serve, net o | ensive income. of investments, | (68,166) 24,848,141 (1,370,218) | (288,92 |
| The asset revalued deferred tax, on (b) Asset Realisa. The asset realisa net of tax, which from reserves. Total Reserves. EARNINGS For Net gain/(loss) undigustment: items. | investments classified as fair values at least on Reserve tion reserve records realised go are transferred from the Asserve PER SHARE | value through oth gains and losses f et Revaluation Re uted earnings per | or compreherom the sale serve, net o | ensive income. of investments, | (68,166) 24,848,141 (1,370,218) 851,951 | (288,9) 18,813,0 (618,33,807,0 |
| The asset revall deferred tax, on (b) Asset Realisa The asset realisa net of tax, which from reserves Total Reserves EARNINGS F Net gain/(loss) u Adjustment: ite | investments classified as fair vesation Reserve tion reserve records realised go are transferred from the Asserve PER SHARE sed in calculating basic and dilums in profit or loss relating to | value through oth gains and losses fi et Revaluation Re uted earnings per Convertible Not | er compreherom the sale serve, net o | ensive income. of investments, f dividends paid | (68,166) 24,848,141 (1,370,218) | (288,92 18,813,0 (618,35 807,6 189,3 5,831,0 |
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43.50

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Total Comprehensive Income per share (cents per share)

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18. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

The Company is exposed to a variety of financial risks through its use of financial instruments.

The Company's overall risk management plan seeks to minimise potential adverse effects due to the unpredictability of financial markets.

The Company does not speculate in financial assets.

The most significant financial risks to which the Company is exposed to are described below:

Specific risks

- Liquidity risk
- Credit risk
- Market risk currency risk, interest rate risk and price risk

Financial instruments used

The principal categories of financial instruments used by the Company are:

- Trade receivables
- Cash at bank
- Investments in listed shares, listed unit trusts and unlisted unit trusts
- Trade and other payables
- Convertible notes

(a) Interest Rate Risk

The Company's exposure to interest rate risk, which is the risk that a financial instrument's value will fluctuate as a result of changes in market interest rates and the effective weighted average interest rates on classes of financial assets and financial liabilities, is as follows:

| Effective Interest Date | 2024 | 2023 |
|---------------------------|--------|---------|
| Effective Interest Rate | % | % |
| Financial Assets | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | 3.0 | 2.8 |
| | | |
| C.M. and have a large | 2024 | 2023 |
| 6 Months or less | \$ | \$ |
| Financial Assets | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | 77,740 | 161,604 |
| Total Financial Assets | 77,740 | 161,604 |

The Company does not rely on interest returns as a source of income, so the interest rate risk is deemed extremely low.

The convertible notes issued by the Company have a fixed interest rate coupon of 5.5% per annum with a single step up to 6.5% per annum at 23 November 2024 if the 2-year bank bill swap rate is above 1.8868%. At 30 June 2024 the 2-year bank bill swap rate is 4.3177%.

(b) Currency Risk

The Company's investment portfolio includes investments in USA, UK and South Africa and dividends receivable from these investments. As such, the Company's balance sheet can be affected significantly by movements in exchange rates. The Company's current policy is not to hedge its investment portfolio.

The carrying value of these foreign currency denominated assets at balance date was as follows:

| O | 2024 | 2023 |
|----------------------|------------|------------|
| Carrying Amount | AUD\$ | AUD\$ |
| Dividends receivable | 56,215 | 58,387 |
| Investments | 52,257,015 | 45,212,391 |
| Total | 52,313,230 | 45,270,778 |

(c) Credit risk

The Company is not a trading entity. The maximum exposure to credit risk at balance date in relation to each class of financial assets (excluding investments) is the carrying amount of those assets as indicated in the balance sheet. The Company has no commercial debtors and receivables are due from reputable companies listed on the stock exchanges around the world or major financial banking institutions.

With respect to credit risk on cash and investment, the Company's exposure to credit risk arises from default of the counter party, with a maximum exposure equal to the carrying amount of those investments. The Company's business activities do not necessitate the requirement for collateral.

(d) Net Fair Value

The following methods and assumptions are used to determine the net fair values of financial assets and liabilities:

Cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments:

The carrying amount approximates fair value because of their short term to maturity.

Trade receivables and payables:

The carrying amount approximates fair value as the time to receipt or payment is usually less than 30 days.

Investments:

The closing quoted market price approximates fair value and the carrying amount.

The carrying value of all the financial assets and liabilities of the Company as disclosed in the Statement of Financial Position and Notes to the Financial Statements is the same as the net fair value.

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18. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)

(e) Sensitivity Analysis

The following table illustrates sensitivities to the Company's exposure to changes exchange rates and equity prices. The table indicates the impact on how profit and equity values reported at balance date would have been affected by changes in the relevant risk variable that management considers to be reasonably possible. These sensitivities assume that the movement in a particular variable is independent of other variables.

At 30 June 2024, the effect on profit and equity as a result of changes in the interest rate, exchange rate or equity prices with all other variables remaining constant would be as follows:

| | 2024 \$ | 2023 \$ |
|-------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| +/- 2% in interest rates | +/- 1,478 | +/- 2,885 |
| +/- 5% in exchange rates | +/- 2,612,851 | +/- 2,260,620 |
| +/- 10% in listed investments | +/- 5,427,364 | +/- 4,697,199 |

(f) Liquidity Risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Company will not be able to meet its financial obligations as they fall due.

The objective of the Company is to ensure as far as possible that it will always have sufficient liquidity to meet its liabilities when due, under both normal and distressed conditions.

Prudent liquidity risk management implies maintaining sufficient cash and marketable global listed equity securities.

The Manager controls liquidity risk by continuously monitoring the balance between equity securities and cash or cash equivalents and the maturity profiles of assets and liabilities to ensure this risk is minimal.

19. CAPITAL MANAGEMENT

The Board's policy is to maintain a strong capital base so as to maintain investor, creditor and market confidence and to sustain future development of the business. The capital structure of the Company consists of equity attributable to members of the Company. The Board monitors the return on capital, which is defined as net operating income divided by total Shareholders' Equity. The Board also monitors the level of dividends to Shareholders.

The capital of the Company is invested by the Investment Manager in accordance with the investment policy established by the Board. The Company has no borrowings beyond the convertible notes issued last year. It is not subject to any externally imposed capital requirements.

There were no changes in the Company's approach to capital management during the year.

20. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

The Company measures the following assets and liabilities at fair value on a recurring basis:

- Financial Assets at fair value through Other Comprehensive Income (FVOCI).
- Financial Assets at fair value through Profit or Loss (FVPL).

Fair value hierarchy

AASB 13 Fair Value Measurement requires all assets and liabilities measured at fair value to be assigned to a level in the fair value hierarchy as follows:

- Level 1 Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the entity can access at the measurement date.
- Level 2 Inputs other than quoted prices included with level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly.
- Level 3 Unobservable inputs for the asset or liability.

The table below shows the assigned level for each asset and liability held at fair value by the Company:

| 30 June 2024 | Recurring fair value measurements - Listed Equity Securities | | |
|--------------|---|------------|--|
| | FVPL | FVOCI | |
| Level 1 | 3,089,922 | 51,183,721 | |
| Level 2 | - | - | |
| Level 3 | - | - | |
| Total | 3,089,922 | 51,183,721 | |

| 30 June 2023 | Recurring fair value measurements - Listed Equity Securities | | |
|--------------|---|------------|--|
| | FVPL | FVOCI | |
| Level 1 | 3,512,905 | 43,459,085 | |
| Level 2 | - | - | |
| Level 3 | - | - | |
| Total | 3,512,905 | 43,459,085 | |

Transfers between levels of hierarchy

There were no transfers between levels of the fair value hierarchy.

Highest and best use

The current use of each asset measured at fair value is considered to be its highest and best use.

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| 2024 | 2023 |
|------|------|
| \$ | \$ |

21. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Transactions between related parties are on normal commercial terms and conditions no more favourable than those available to other parties unless otherwise stated.

The following transactions occurred with related parties:

EC Pohl & Co Pty Ltd

Fees derived in accordance with the Management Services Agreement (see Note 22):

| • | Management Fee | 33,912 | 45,593 |
|-----|------------------------------|--------|--------|
| • | Company Secretarial Services | 36,900 | 36,900 |
| Tot | al Fees Paid | 70,812 | 82,493 |

J C Pohl has an interest in the transactions as during the year J C Pohl is a related party of EC Pohl & Co Pty Ltd.

22. MANAGEMENT SERVICES AGREEMENT

In accordance with a Management Services Agreement dated 24 January 2022, the Company agreed to engage the Manager to provide primary and secondary management services as listed below.

Primary services only provided for the actively managed portion of the portfolio include:

- 1) managing the investment of the Company's portfolio, including keeping it under review;
- 2) ensuring investments by the Company are only made in authorised investments;
- 3) complying with the investment policy of the Company; and
- 4) identifying, evaluating and implementing the acquisition and disposal of authorised investments.

Additional Primary services include:

- (i) provide the Company with quarterly investment performance reporting;
- (ii) promoting investment in the Company by the general investment community; and
- (iii) providing investor relationship services

Secondary management services include:

1) provision of office services, corporate and information technology services support.

The agreement is for a term of 5 years, and may be terminated if:

- a) either party ceases to carry on business, or
- b) either party enters into liquidation voluntarily or otherwise, or
- c) either party passes any resolution for voluntary winding-up, or
- d) a receiver of the property of either party, or any part thereof, is appointed, or
- e) after the initial term the Shareholders of the Company at a general meeting called for that purpose, resolve by ordinary resolution to terminate this agreement, or
- f) if the Company provides written notice to the Manager in the event of any material and substantial breach of the agreement by the Manager or if the Manager fails to remedy a breach of this agreement within 14 days following written notice of the breach.
- g) if the Manager provides written notice to the Company in the event of any material and substantial breach of the agreement by the Company or if the Company fails to remedy a breach of this agreement within 14 days following written notice of the breach, or if after the initial term the manager provides three months' written notice.

Tertiary Services:

- The Manager has elected to provide company secretarial services to the Company.

The Manager is paid a management fee of 1% per annum on the actively managed portion of the portfolio. In addition, the Manager is paid a performance fee, payable annually in arrears, equal to 20% of the amount by which the Company's actively managed portfolio performance exceeds the performance of the benchmark, currently the FTSE100, subject to a high-water mark. If the Company's net performance in the year is less than the benchmark, then no performance fee will be payable.

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| | 2024 \$ | 2023 \$ |
|--|--------------------|--------------------|
| 23. AUDITORS REMUNERATION | | |
| Remuneration of the auditor of the Company for: | | |
| Audit or reviewing the financial statements | 17,938 | 15,375 |
| Total remuneration of auditor | 17,938 | 15,375 |
| | | |
| 24. KEY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL DISCLOSURES | | |
| The Company has no staff and therefore has no Key Management Personnel other than the Directors. | er | |
| No member of Key Management Personnel held options over shares in the Companduring the year. | у | |
| There have been no other transactions with Key Management Personnel or the | ir | |
| related entities other than those disclosed in Note 21. | :II | |
| The compensation of Non-executive Directors for the year ending 30 June 2024 | is | |
| shown in the table of detailed remuneration disclosures, provided in section 12 (A) t | 0 | |
| (F) of the Remuneration Report on pages 11 and 12. The total remuneration paid is a | as | |
| follows: | | |
| Short-term employment benefit | 126,625 | 126,125 |
| | | |
| 25. CASH FLOW INFORMATION | | |
| (a) Reconciliation of result for the year to cash flows from operating activities | | |
| Loss for the year | (1,370,218) | (618,359) |
| Non-operating cash flows including in profit/(loss) | | |
| net (gain)/loss on disposal of investments | 91,513 | (739,367) |
| - net (gain)/loss on foreign exchange | (31,874) | (21,527) |
| Non-cash items in profit/(loss) | 447,004 | 271 401 |
| net interest expense on convertible notesnet unrealised (gain)/loss on financial assets at fair value | 416,831 335,083 | 371,421 176,337 |
| - DRP election for dividend receivable | (18,301) | 170,337 |
| Changes in assets and liabilities | (10,001) | |
| - (increase)/decrease in prepayments | 849 | (1,364) |
| - (increase)/decrease in trade and other receivables | 1,814 | (24,545) |
| - increase/(decrease) in trade and other payables | 3,868 | (9,377) |
| - increase/(decrease) in Deferred Tax | (167,311) | 237,934 |
| Cash flow from operations | (737,746) | (628,847) |
| | | |

26. CONTINGENCIES

In the opinion of the Directors, the Company did not have any contingencies at 30 June 2024 (30 June 2023: None).

27. EVENTS OCCURRING AFTER THE REPORTING DATE

No matters or circumstances have arisen since the end of the financial year which significantly affected or may significantly affect the operations of the Company, the results of those operations, or the state of affairs of the Company in future financial years.

CONSOLIDATED ENTITY DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Global Masters Fund Limited is not required by Australian Accounting Standards (AAS) to prepare consolidated financial statements as it does not have any subsidiaries and as a result subsection 295(3A)(a) of the Corporations Act 2001 to prepare a Consolidated Entity Disclosure Statement does not apply to the Company.

DIRECTORS' DECLARATION

The Directors of the Company declare that:

- (a) The Financial Statements and Notes set out on pages 16 to 31 are in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including:
 - (i) complying with Accounting Standards, which, as stated in Note 1 to the financial statements, constitutes compliance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS); and
 - (ii) give a true and fair view of the financial position as at 30 June 2024 and of the performance for the year ended on that date; and

in the Directors' opinion,

- (b) the Consolidated Entity Disclosure Statement is true and correct,
- (c) there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable; and
- (d) the remuneration disclosures set out on pages 11 and 12 of the Directors' Report (as part of the audited remuneration report) for the year ended 30 June 2024 comply with section 300A of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

The Directors have been given the declarations by the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer required by section 295A of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

This declaration is made in accordance with a resolution of the Directors and is signed for and on behalf of the Directors by:

Mr Murray d'Almeida

Chairman

28 August 2024



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Report on the Audit of the Financial Report

Opinion

We have audited the financial report of Global Masters Fund Limited (the Company), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2024, the statement of profit and loss and other comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, notes comprising a summary of material accounting policies and other explanatory information, and the Directors' declaration.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial report of Global Masters Fund Limited is in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001, including:

- (a) giving a true and fair view of the Company's financial position as at 30 June 2024 and of its financial performance for the year then ended; and
- (b) complying with Australian Accounting Standards and the Corporations Regulations 2001.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report section of our report. We are independent of the Company in accordance with the auditor independence requirements of the Corporations Act 2001 and the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

We confirm that the independence declaration required by the Corporations Act 2001, which has been given to the Directors of the Company, would be in the same terms if given to the Directors as at the time of this auditor's report.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Key Audit Matters

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgement, were of most significance in our audit of the financial report for the year ended 30 June 2024. These matters were addressed in the context of our audit of the financial report as a whole, and in forming our opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters.

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KEY AUDIT MATTER

HOW THE KEY AUDIT MATTER WAS ADDRESSED IN OUR AUDIT

Convertible Note-Host Debt Subsequent Valuation

Refer to Notes 2(b) and 14 to the financial statements

For the year ended 30 June 2024 the Company's statement of financial position includes the following in relation to convertible notes:

- Non-current liabilities: Convertible Note of \$9,096,145
- Equity: Option premium on convertible notes of \$1.154.455

On the 24/11/2021 the Company issued 3,225,806 Convertible Notes. These compound financial instruments are able to be converted to share capital at the option of the noteholder in accordance with the Note Terms. After initial recognition, the liability component of the compound financial instrument is measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

This matter is considered a key audit matter for the following reasons:

- Complex Valuation: Valuing convertible notes requires significant judgment and estimation, particularly in determining the fair value of the liability and equity components.
- Financial Impact: Convertible notes can have a substantial impact on the financial position and performance of the company, influencing both liabilities and equity.
- Accounting Treatment: The accounting treatment of convertible notes involves complex considerations, including the allocation between debt and equity, which can affect the financial statements significantly.

Our procedures included, inter alia:

- Review the terms and conditions of the convertible notes to understand the conversion features, interest rates, maturity dates, and any other relevant terms.
- Verify the initial recognition of the liability component at fair value.
- Ensure the proper division of the liability and equity components.
- Ensure all calculations, classifications, and measurements comply with AASB 9 requirements.
- Review any changes in accounting policies or practices to ensure they are consistent with AASB 9.
- Evaluate the effectiveness of internal controls over the recognition, measurement, and disclosure of the liability component.

Information Other Than the Financial Report and Auditor's Report Thereon

The Directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Company's annual report for the year ended 30 June 2024 but does not include the financial report and our auditor's report thereon.

Our opinion on the financial report does not cover the other information and accordingly we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial report, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial report, or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

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Matters Relating to the Electronic Presentation of the Audited Financial Report

This auditor's report relates to the financial report of Global Masters Fund Limited for the year ended 30 June 2024, intended to be included on the Company's or other websites. The Company's Directors are responsible for the integrity of the Company's or other websites. We have not been engaged to report on the integrity of the Company's website. The auditor's report refers only to the statements named above. It does not provide an opinion on any other information which may have been hyperlinked to/from these statements. It sers of this report are concerned with the inherent risks arising from electronic data communications, they are advised to refer to the hard copy of the audited financial report to confirm the information included in the audited financial report presented on websites.

Responsibility of the Directors for the Financial Report

- The Directors of the Company are responsible for the preparation of: a) the financial report (other than the
 consolidated entity disclosure statement) that gives a true and fair view in accordance with Australian
 Accounting Standards and the Corporations Act 2001; and b) the consolidated entity disclosure statement that
 is true and correct in accordance with the Corporation Act 2001
- and for such internal control as the Directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of: a) the
 financial report (other than the consolidated entity disclosure statement) that gives a true and fair view and is
 free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; and b) the consolidated entity disclosure
 statement that is true and correct and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, the Directors are responsible for assessing the Company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Directors either intend to liquidate the Company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, omitting, misstating or obscuring them, could reasonably be expected to influence the decisions of primary users taken on the basis of this financial report.

As part of an audit in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal controls.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are
 appropriate in the circumstance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the
 Company's internal control.

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- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by Directors and management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of Directors and management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosure in the financial report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Company to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial report, including the disclosures, and
 whether the financial report represents the underlying transaction and events in a manner that achieves fair
 presentation.

We communicate with the Directors regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

We are also required to provide the directors with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, actions taken to eliminate threats or safeguards applied.

From the matters communicated to the directors, we determine those matters that were of most significance in the audit of the financial report of the current year and are therefore the key audit matters. We describe these matters in our audit report because the adverse consequences of doing so would reasonably be expected to outweigh the public interest benefits of such communication.

Report on the Remuneration Report Opinion on the Remuneration Report

We have audited the remuneration report for the year ended 30 June 2024.

In our opinion the remuneration report of Global Masters Fund Limited for the year ended 30 June 2024 complies with s300A of the Corporations Act 2001.

Responsibilities

The Directors of the Company are responsible for the preparation and presentation of the remuneration report in accordance with s300A of the Corporations Act 2001. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the remuneration report, based on our audit conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards.

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JESSICA JOHL RCA DIRECTOR

28 August 2024

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SHAREHOLDER INFORMATION

The Shareholder information set out below was applicable as at 15 August 2024.

1. TWENTY LARGEST SHAREHOLDERS

| Shareholders Last year's figures | Ordinary Shares | % |
|---|--------------------|-------|
| CITICORP NOMINEES PTY LIMITED | 5,117,285 | 47.7% |
| CELLAR STOCKS PTY LTD <cellar a="" c="" investment=""></cellar> | 300,000 | 2.8% |
| BOND STREET CUSTODIANS LIMITED <sm5 -="" a="" c="" d90109=""></sm5> | 259,517 | 2.4% |
| BOND STREET CUSTODIANS LIMITED <hef -="" a="" c="" q01843=""></hef> | 240,000 | 2.2% |
| BOND STREET CUSTODIANS LIMITED <hef -="" a="" c="" q01842=""></hef> | 180,000 | 1.7% |
| ABBAWOOD NOMINEES PTY LTD <abbott 1="" a="" c="" f="" family="" no="" s=""></abbott> | 174,155 | 1.6% |
| ROSETTA PTY LTD | 155,700 | 1.5% |
| BOND STREET CUSTODIANS LIMITED <sm5 -="" a="" c="" d90095=""></sm5> | 150,000 | 1.4% |
| EMSDALE HOLDINGS PTY LTD | 140,447 | 1.3% |
| JACOBEAN PTY LTD | 130,000 | 1.2% |
| VAL GARDENA PTY LTD | 107,021 | 1.0% |
| J BARLOW CONSULTANTS PTY LTD <barlow a="" c="" fund="" super=""></barlow> | 102,317 | 1.0% |
| MUNGER PTY LTD <van a="" c="" de="" fund="" pavert="" super=""></van> | 101,247 | 0.9% |
| RUFF SUPER PTY LTD <mark a="" c="" fund="" ruff="" super=""></mark> | 100,000 | 0.9% |
| MCCARRUMS PTY LTD <no 2="" a="" c="" family="" flouch=""></no> | 92,748 | 0.9% |
| FELLAGUN PTY LTD <o'shaughnessy family="" no2<br="">A/C></o'shaughnessy> | 65,000 | 0.6% |
| MR PETER LEECE | 62,000 | 0.6% |
| MRS JANINE ROSLYN HUCKER | 60,765 | 0.6% |
| LUCISON PTY LTD | 55,000 | 0.5% |
| LEOBATT SUPER PTY LTD <leobatt a="" c="" fund="" super=""></leobatt> | 45,000 | 0.4% |
| Total | 7,638,202 | 71.2% |

2. DISTRIBUTION OF SECURITIES

| Distributions | | No. of Shareholders | % of shares held | |
|---|----|------------------------|------------------|--------|
| 1 | to | 1,000 | 133 | 0.55% |
| 1,001 | to | 5,000 | 155 | 4.52% |
| 5,001 | to | 10,000 | 103 | 7.23% |
| 10,001 | to | 100,000 | 91 | 20.94% |
| 100,001 | | and over | 13 | 66.75% |
| Total | | | 100.00% | |
| Holdings of less than a marketable parcel | | 19 | | |

3. SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDINGS

The names of the Shareholders who have notified the Company of a substantial holding in accordance with section 671B of the *Corporations Act 2001* are:

| Substantial Shareholder | Number of Shares | % of Total |
|-------------------------|---------------------|---------------|
| EC Pohl & Co Pty Ltd | 5,095,148 | 47.5% |

4. VOTING RIGHTS

On a show of hands every Shareholder present in person or by proxy shall have one vote and upon a poll each share shall have one vote.

5. ON-MARKET BUY BACK

There is no current on-market buy back.

INVESTMENTS

(1) HOLDINGS OF SECURITIES AT 30 JUNE 2024

Individual investments at 30 June 2024 are listed below. The list should not, however, be used to evaluate portfolio performance or to determine the net asset backing per share at other dates. Individual holdings in the portfolio may change during the course of the year.

| Code | Company | Shares | Market Value \$ | % |
|--------|---|-----------------|-----------------|--------|
| | ORDINARY SHARES/UNITS | | | |
| ALPH | ALPHA GROUP INTERNATIONAL PLC | 3,000 | 128,555.18 | 0.24 |
| BEG | BEGBIES TRAYNOR GROUP PLC | 20,000 | 38,680.32 | 0.07 |
| BIPCFB | BIP BCI Worldwide Flexible Fund Class B | 15,797,997.7392 | 1,664,522.79 | 3.07 |
| BRK.A | Berkshire Hathaway Inc. Common Stock | 27 | 24,783,368.82 | 45.61 |
| BRK.B | Berkshire Hathaway Inc. New Common Stock | 14,800 | 9,026,446.78 | 16.61 |
| CBOX | CAKE BOX HOLDINGS PLC | 40,000 | 136,518.77 | 0.25 |
| CER | CERILLION PLC | 5,000 | 151,687.52 | 0.28 |
| GGF | ECP Global Growth Fund | 10,000,000 | 13,504,702.37 | 24.86 |
| GGFAU | ECP Global Growth Fund (Aust) | 147,386.0500 | 188,051.95 | 0.35 |
| FEVR | FEVERTREE DRINKS PLC | 7,943 | 163,257.72 | 0.30 |
| FOUR | 4IMPRINT GROUP PLC | 1,600 | 177,777.78 | 0.33 |
| FSI | Flagship Investments Limited | 1,042,185 | 2,016,627.98 | 3.71 |
| GAMA | GAMMA COMMUNICATIONS PLC | 4,000 | 106,939.70 | 0.20 |
| GAW | GAMES WORKSHOP GROUP PLC | 1,600 | 323,701.18 | 0.60 |
| IPX | IMPAX ASSET MANAGEMENT GROUP PLC | 28,000 | 201,213.50 | 0.37 |
| LIO | LIONTRUST ASSET MANAGEMENT PLC | 11,000 | 142,870.69 | 0.26 |
| NG | NATIONAL GRID PLC | 19,838 | 331,987.47 | 0.61 |
| NWF | NWF GROUP PLC | 20,000 | 66,932.12 | 0.12 |
| REL | RELX PLC | 1,500 | 103,498.29 | 0.19 |
| RMV | RIGHTMOVE PLC | 30,000 | 305,460.75 | 0.56 |
| RPI | RASPBERRY PI HOLDINGS PLC | 6,500 | 49,360.07 | 0.09 |
| SPX | SPIRAX GROUP PLC | 1,600 | 257,262.04 | 0.47 |
| SUS | S & U PLC | 2,000 | 70,534.70 | 0.13 |
| TET | TREATT PLC | 17,000 | 138,443.31 | 0.26 |
| WISE | WISE PLC | 6,000 | 77,531.29 | 0.14 |
| XPP | XP POWER LIMITED | 2,000 | 56,124.38 | 0.10 |
| YOU | YOUGOV PLC | 8,000 | 61,585.13 | 0.11 |
| | | | 54,273,642.60 | 99.89 |
| | CASH (INCLUDING DIVIDENDS RECEIVABLE | | | |
| | Cash- Australian Dollar (AUD) | | 60,038.91 | 0.11 |
| | TOTAL | | 54,333,681.51 | 100.00 |

(2) TRANSACTIONS AND BROKERAGE

There were 18 (2023: 25) transactions in securities during the year on which brokerage of \$4,985 (2023: \$1,812) was paid.

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