

Annual Management Report of Fund Performance

As at December 31, 2024

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These forward looking statements are subject to various risks and uncertainties, including the risks described in the simplified prospectus of the Fund, which could cause actual financial performance and expectations to differ materially from the anticipated performance or other expectations expressed.

Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward looking statements. All opinions contained in forward looking statements are subject to change without notice and are provided in good faith but without legal responsibility.

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About This Report

This annual Management Report of Fund Performance of Lysander-Crusader Equity Income Fund (the “Fund”) contains financial highlights for the year ended December 31, 2024 but does not contain the complete financial statements of the Fund. This report should be read in conjunction with the annual financial statements of the Fund for the year ended December 31, 2024. Lysander Funds Limited (the “Manager”) is the manager of the Fund. You can get a copy of the financial statements at your request, and at no cost, by calling toll-free 1 877 308 6979, by writing to Lysander Funds Limited, 3080 Yonge St., Suite 4000, Toronto, Ontario, M4N 3N1, by visiting our website at www.lysanderfunds.com or at SEDAR+ at www.sedarplus.ca.

Unitholders may also contact Lysander Funds Limited using one of these methods to obtain a copy of the Fund’s proxy voting policies and procedures, proxy voting disclosure record, or quarterly portfolio disclosure.

Investment objective

The Fund’s objective is to earn income and to achieve long term capital growth through a diversified portfolio composed primarily of equity securities, however other equity-like income-producing securities, debt and money market securities may be used to achieve this objective.

Investment Strategies

The Fund’s portfolio manager is Crusader Asset Management Inc. (“Portfolio Manager” or “Crusader”). The Fund’s portfolio will invest primarily in Canadian equity securities. The Fund will not be leveraged. The Fund may invest up to 30% of its assets in

foreign securities. The Fund’s investments will not be constrained by sector considerations. More details are contained in the Fund’s simplified prospectus.

Risks

The risks of this Fund remain as discussed in the Fund’s most recent simplified prospectus.

Results of Operations

The Fund returns for the year ended December 31, 2024 were 19.09% for Series A, 21.58% for Series O and 20.48% for Series F.

The net assets of the Fund were approximately \$11.5 million at December 31, 2024 from \$10.0 million at the beginning of the year. There were net redemptions of approximately \$253.6 thousand during the year.

The Fund’s performance was most positively affected by portfolio holdings of gold producing and insurance companies. These securities were held in the portfolio at a disproportionately larger weight than their representation in the S&P/TSX Composite Index. The fund did not hold any telecom companies and given their significant underperformance relative to the S&P/TSX Composite Index, this also contributed positively to relative performance.

On the other hand, the Fund held disproportionately more REITS in comparison to the S&P/TSX Composite Index. These securities underperformed on a relative basis. The Fund did not hold Shopify and this contributed negatively to relative performance. Finally, the fund held a protective put option anticipating

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negative returns at the index level for equities more generally. A loss on this holding contributed to negative relative returns.

There were no unusual changes to the components of revenue and expenses of the Fund and there were no unusual events or transactions, economic changes or market conditions that affected performance beyond what would be reasonably expected or as described below.

The Fund did not borrow money during the year except for immaterial short-term cash overdrafts.

Recent Developments

The Fund is positioned without consequential change to those positions noted above that drove fund outperformance when compared to the S&P/TSX Composite Index. The Fund will benefit most in a cyclical upturn or an expansion more generally of economic activity.

There have been no changes to the Manager or Portfolio Manager, or change of control of the Manager, or of the Fund. There have been no actual or planned reorganizations, mergers or similar transactions involving the Fund.

Effective June 30, 2024, Paul Fahey resigned as a member of the Fund's Independent Review Committee ("IRC"). Effective July 1, 2024, Donna Peters-Imbrogno was appointed as a member of the IRC.

Related Party Transactions

The Manager provides or arranges to provide for the provision of all general management and administrative services required by the Fund in its day-to-day operations, including but not limited to, calculating and reporting the net asset value of the Fund and its series, preparing all offering documents, unitholder recordkeeping and other administrative services. The Manager receives a management fee for these services. The fee is calculated based on a percentage of the net asset value of the Fund as disclosed in the simplified prospectus.

The Fund paid \$93,509 (including HST) in management fees to the Manager for the year ended December 31, 2024 (December 31, 2023 - \$82,171).

The Portfolio Manager is responsible for all investment advice provided to the Fund including providing investment analysis and recommendations, making investment decisions and arranging for the acquisition and disposition of portfolio investments. Fees for providing these services is included in the management fee. Portfolio management fees for the Portfolio Manager's services are paid from the management fee.

The Manager paid \$48,359 (including HST) to the Portfolio Manager for the year ended December 31, 2024 (December 31, 2023 - \$47,106).

The Manager relied, or may rely on standing instructions from the IRC in respect of securities traded amongst mutual funds, closed end funds, managed accounts or pooled funds managed by the Manager or an affiliate of the Manager. In such cases the Manager is required to comply with the Manager's written policies and procedures presented to the IRC and provide periodic reports to the IRC in accordance with National Instrument 81-107.

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Financial Highlights

Series A

Year ended	31-Dec-2024	31-Dec-2023	31-Dec-2022	31-Dec-2021	31-Dec-2020
Net assets per unit¹					
Net assets, beginning of year	\$ 10.56	\$ 10.95	\$ 8.77	\$ 6.42	\$ 9.66
Operations:					
Total revenue	0.45	0.40	0.28	0.27	0.35
Total expenses	(0.26)	(0.25)	(0.24)	(0.19)	(0.15)
Realized gains (losses)	0.26	(0.05)	1.88	1.18	(3.56)
Unrealized gains (losses)	1.53	(0.88)	(0.21)	1.21	(0.10)
Total increase (decrease) from operations²	\$ 1.98	\$ (0.78)	\$ 1.71	\$ 2.47	\$ (3.46)
Distributions:					
From income (excluding dividends)	\$ -	\$ (0.04)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
From dividends	(0.20)	(0.12)	(0.11)	(0.05)	(0.16)
From capital gains	-	-	-	-	-
Total distributions^{2 3}	\$ (0.20)	\$ (0.16)	\$ (0.11)	\$ (0.05)	\$ (0.16)
Net assets, end of year^{2 3}	\$ 12.36	\$ 10.56	\$ 10.95	\$ 8.77	\$ 6.42
Ratios and supplemental data					
Net asset value ⁴	\$ 237,143	\$ 217,600	\$ 1,405,974	\$ 288,458	\$ 260,884
Units outstanding	19,180	20,607	128,394	32,903	40,622
Management expense ratio ⁵	% 2.09	% 2.33	% 2.33	% 2.33	% 2.34
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorption	2.09	2.41	2.46	2.45	2.53
Portfolio turnover rate ⁶	54.9	219.2	224.6	91.8	55.3
Trading expense ratio ⁷	0.14	0.21	0.25	0.27	0.19
Net asset value per unit, end of year	\$ 12.36	\$ 10.56	\$ 10.95	\$ 8.77	\$ 6.42

Notes

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- 2 Net assets and distributions are based on the actual numbers of units outstanding at the relevant time. The increase (decrease) from operations is based on the weighted average number of units outstanding over the financial period. This table is not intended to be a reconciliation of beginning to ending net assets per unit.
- 3 Distributions were paid in cash or reinvested in additional units, or both.
- 4 This information is provided at the end of the period shown.
- 5 The management expense ratio is based on the total expenses of the period ended and is expressed as an annualized percentage of daily average net asset values during the period.
- 6 The Fund's portfolio turnover rate indicates how actively the Fund's portfolio manager manages its portfolio investments. A portfolio turnover rate of 100% is equivalent to the Fund buying and selling all of the securities in its portfolio once in the course of the period. The higher a fund's portfolio turnover rate in a period, the greater the trading costs payable by the fund in the period, and the greater the chance of an investor receiving taxable capital gains in the period. There is not necessarily a relationship between a high turnover rate and the performance of a fund. The portfolio turnover rate is calculated based on the lesser of purchases or sales of securities divided by the weighted average market value of portfolio securities, excluding short term securities.
- 7 The trading expense ratio represents total commissions and other portfolio transaction costs expressed as an annualized percentage of daily average net asset value during the period.

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Series F

Year ended	31-Dec-2024	31-Dec-2023	31-Dec-2022	31-Dec-2021	31-Dec-2020
Net assets per unit¹					
Net assets, beginning of year	\$ 10.64	\$ 11.04	\$ 8.80	\$ 6.47	\$ 9.71
Operations:					
Total revenue	0.47	0.44	0.28	0.28	0.35
Total expenses	(0.15)	(0.13)	(0.13)	(0.10)	(0.08)
Realized gains (losses)	0.26	0.02	1.94	1.11	(3.67)
Unrealized gains (losses)	1.57	(0.5)	0.14	1.20	(0.19)
Total increase (decrease) from operations²	\$ 2.15	\$ (0.17)	\$ 2.23	\$ 2.49	\$ (3.59)
Distributions:					
From income (excluding dividends)	\$ -	\$ (0.06)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
From dividends	(0.31)	(0.22)	(0.02)	(0.17)	(0.22)
From capital gains	-	-	-	-	-
Total distributions^{2 3}	\$ (0.31)	\$ (0.28)	\$ (0.02)	\$ (0.17)	\$ (0.22)
Net assets, end of year^{2 3}	\$ 12.49	\$ 10.64	\$ 11.04	\$ 8.80	\$ 6.47
Ratios and supplemental data					
Net asset value ⁴	\$ 10,465,582	\$ 8,979,889	\$ 8,452,711	\$ 2,625,560	\$ 1,750,529
Units outstanding	837,653	843,937	765,324	298,192	270,592
Management expense ratio ⁵	% 1.20	% 1.18	% 1.20	% 1.20	% 1.21
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorption	1.26	1.18	1.36	1.31	1.34
Portfolio turnover rate ⁶	54.9	219.2	224.6	91.8	55.3
Trading expense ratio ⁷	0.14	0.21	0.25	0.27	0.19
Net asset value per unit, end of year	\$ 12.49	\$ 10.64	\$ 11.04	\$ 8.80	\$ 6.47

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Series O

Year ended	31-Dec-2024	31-Dec-2023	31-Dec-2022	31-Dec-2021	31-Dec-2020
Net assets per unit¹					
Net assets, beginning of year	\$ 10.90	\$ 11.50	\$ 9.09	\$ 6.68	\$ 10.25
Operations:					
Total revenue	0.48	0.46	0.30	0.28	0.36
Total expenses	(0.05)	(0.03)	(0.04)	(0.02)	(0.02)
Realized gains (losses)	0.28	0.11	2.12	1.16	(3.62)
Unrealized gains (losses)	1.70	(0.59)	0.12	1.20	0.43
Total increase (decrease) from operations²	\$ 2.41	\$ (0.05)	\$ 2.50	\$ 2.62	\$ (2.85)
Distributions:					
From income (excluding dividends)	\$ -	\$ (0.13)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
From dividends	(0.41)	(0.45)	(0.19)	(0.24)	(0.43)
From capital gains	-	-	-	-	-
Total distributions^{2 3}	\$ (0.41)	\$ (0.58)	\$ (0.19)	\$ (0.24)	\$ (0.43)
Net assets, end of year^{2 3}	\$ 12.81	\$ 10.90	\$ 11.50	\$ 9.09	\$ 6.68
Ratios and supplemental data					
Net asset value ⁴	\$ 807,835	\$ 847,841	\$ 3,236,652	\$ 3,301,079	\$ 2,322,536
Units outstanding	63,078	77,807	281,365	362,960	347,864
Management expense ratio ⁵	% 0.30	% 0.28	% 0.30	% 0.30	% 0.30
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorption	0.37	0.28	0.48	0.44	0.57
Portfolio turnover rate ⁶	54.9	219.2	224.6	91.8	55.3
Trading expense ratio ⁷	0.14	0.21	0.25	0.27	0.19
Net asset value per unit, end of year	\$ 12.81	\$ 10.90	\$ 11.50	\$ 9.09	\$ 6.68

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Management Fees

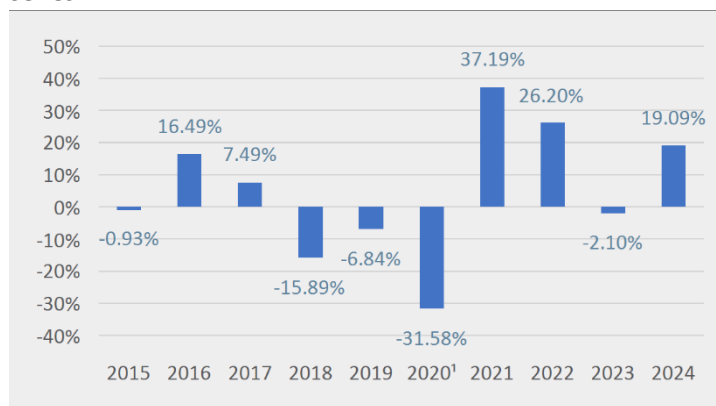
The Manager provides or arranges the provision of all general management and administrative services required by the Fund, and as described in the section “Related Party Transactions” above.

In consideration for such services, the Manager receives a management fee, based on the net asset value of each Series, calculated daily and payable monthly. The Fund pays a management fee at a rate of 1.80% per annum for Series A units and at a rate of 0.80% per annum for Series F units. No management fee is charged to the Fund with respect to Series O units, but investors are charged a negotiated management fee.

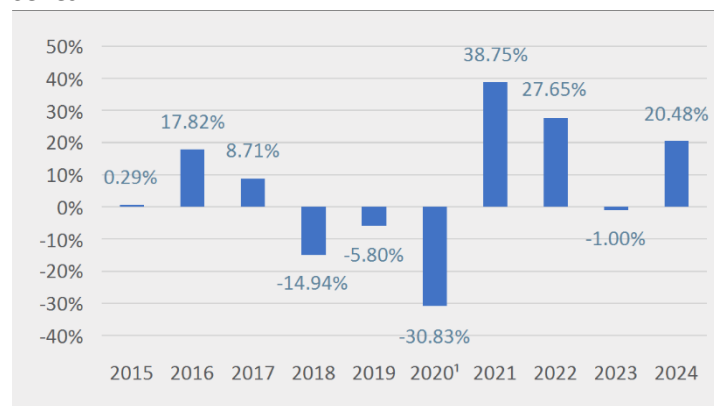
Service fees or trailing commissions of a maximum of 1.00% per annum were paid on Series A units to dealers. This comprises approximately 55.6% of the management fee of Series A units.

Year-by-Year Returns

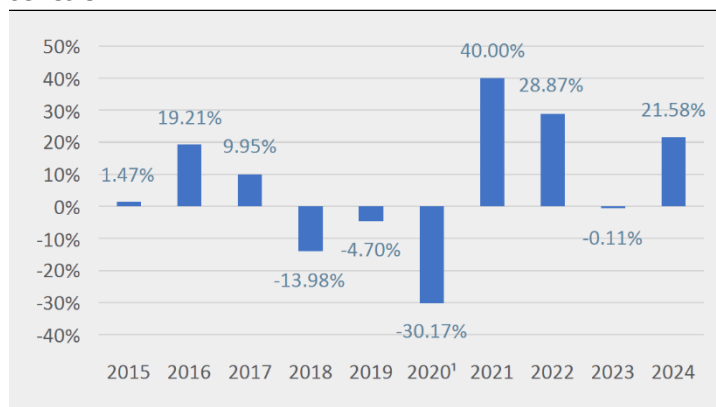
Series A



Series F



Series O



Past Performance

The Fund became a reporting issuer on December 30, 2014. Accordingly, returns are shown for the relevant period/years as indicated below. Effective January 1, 2020, the management fee for Series A changed from 2.00% to 1.80% and Series F changed from 1.00% to 0.80%. This change could have affected the performance of the Fund had this change been in effect throughout the performance measurement period.

The performance information assumes that any distributions are reinvested in additional securities of the Fund. The performance information does not take into account sales, redemption, distribution or other optional charges that would have reduced returns or performance. Past performance does not necessarily indicate how the series will perform in the future.

¹ Restated for the period January 1 to December 31

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Annual Compound Returns

The following table shows the Fund's annual compound return for each period indicated, compared with the S&P/TSX Composite Total Return Index. The returns of the S&P/TSX Composite Total Return Index are calculated without the deduction of fees and expenses, whereas the performance of the Fund is calculated after deducting such fees and expenses.

For years ended December 31, 2024		1 Year		3 Year ²		5 Year ²		10 Year ²	
Annual Compound Return									
Series A ¹	%	19.09	%	13.74	%	6.67	%	2.99	
Series F ¹		20.48		15.04		7.88		4.17	
Series O ¹		21.58		16.10		8.88		5.25	
S&P/TSX Composite Total Return Index ³	%	21.65	%	8.58	%	11.08	%	8.65	

Notes

¹ Returns are based on the net asset value per unit of the relevant series of the Fund and assume that all distributions were reinvested.

² Compound period returns are annualized.

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Summary of Investment Portfolio

% of NAV			% of NAV		
Top 25 Issuers			Asset Mix		
Manulife Financial Corp.	%	5.8	Canadian Equities	%	78.9
Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce		5.5	Cash and Cash Equivalents		1.4
Royal Bank of Canada		5.0	Income Trusts		9.5
National Bank of Canada		4.9	Other Assets less Liabilities		(0.3)
Alamos Gold Inc.		4.8	US Equities		10.5
Fairfax Financial Holdings Ltd.		4.5	Total	%	100.0
Bank of Nova Scotia		4.5	Sector		
Bank of Montreal		4.2	Cash and Cash Equivalents	%	1.4
Primaris Real Estate Investment Trust		4.1	Energy		18.7
BXP Inc.		3.9	Financials		54.7
iShares MSCI China ETF		3.8	Materials		25.5
Tamarack Valley Energy Ltd.		3.8	Other Assets less Liabilities		(0.3)
Imperial Oil Ltd.		3.7	Total	%	100.0
Chemtrade Logistics Inc.		3.6			
HudBay Minerals Inc.		3.6			
Lundin Gold Inc.		3.4			
IGM Financial Inc.		3.4			
Dundee Precious Metals Inc.		3.3			
TD Bank Group		3.3			
Total Energy Services Inc.		3.1			
Agnico Eagle Mines Ltd.		2.9			
Veren Inc.		2.8			
Suncor Energy Inc.		2.8			
Canadian Natural Resources Ltd.		2.5			
Lundin Mining Corp.		2.1			
Total	%	95.3			



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