

### Bennelong Australian Equities Fund

Performance report | 31 May 2023

### Net client returns (after fees and expenses)

	1	3	1	3	5	10	Since
	month	months	year	years p.a.	years p.a.	years p.a.	inception <sup>2</sup> p.a.
Fund	-4.23%	-2.48%	-3.49%	6.34%	5.87%	9.29%	11.49%
Benchmark <sup>1</sup>	-2.53%	-0.96%	2.37%	11.33%	7.43%	8.10%	9.51%
Value added	-1.70%	-1.51%	-5.86%	-4.99%	-1.55%	+1.20%	+1.97%

Performance figures are net of fees and expenses. 'Value added' calculation does not use rounded performance figures. Past performance is not indicative of future performance.

### Why choose the Fund?

The Fund is a high conviction 'core' Australian equities fund. Its aim is to provide clients with extra return over and above the market.

- It provides clients with appropriate diversification across the ASX via a portfolio of approximately 25-50 stocks.
- It is consistent in employing a disciplined, robust and proven market-beating investment approach.
- It is competitively priced with no performance fees.

### **Portfolio positioning**

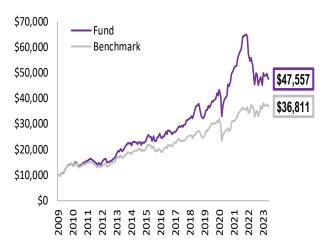
Sector	Fund Weight	Benchmark <sup>1</sup> Weight	Active Weight
Discretionary	39.1%	6.6%	32.5%
Communication	10.9%	4.1%	6.8%
Health Care	14.4%	10.6%	3.8%
Materials	25.3%	23.8%	1.5%
Liquidity	0.4%	0.0%	0.4%
Utilities	0.0%	1.5%	-1.5%
IT	0.0%	2.6%	-2.6%
REIT's	2.0%	6.3%	-4.3%
Consumer Staples	0.0%	4.8%	-4.8%
Energy	0.0%	5.7%	-5.7%
Industrials	0.0%	7.3%	-7.3%
Financials	7.9%	26.7%	-18.8%

### **Portfolio characteristics**

	Fund	Benchmark <sup>1</sup>	Profile
Return on Equity	18.2%	12.7%	Premium
Debt/Equity	16.8%	31.9%	Quality
Sales Growth	10.6%	3.0%	Superior
EPS Growth	16.5%	1.4%	Growth
Price/Earnings	20.9x	16.6x	Reasonable
Dividend Yield	2.4%	4.1%	Valuation
Beta	1.28	1	
Active Share	75%	na	Genuinely
No. of Stocks	25	299	Active

### Long-term performance

Growth of \$10,000 since inception





# Top five active stock holdings at month-end, alphabetical order

### Stock

ARB Corporation Limited
Carsales.Com Limited
CSL Limited
Flight Centre Travel Group Ltd
James Hardie Industries PLC

# Top three contributors to monthly relative performance, alphabetical order

Company	Avg active position
CSL	Overweight
Flight Centre Travel	Overweight
James Hardie Industries PLC	Overweight

## Top three detractors from monthly relative performance, alphabetical order

Company	Avg active position
ARB	Overweight
Idp Education	Overweight
Universal Stores	Overweight

### The Fund at a glance

Feature	Fund facts
APIR code	BFL0001AU
Benchmark	S&P/ASX 300 Accumulation Index
Investment objective	2% p.a. above benchmark measured over rolling 3-year periods
Investment manager	Bennelong Australian Equity Partners (BAEP)
Active stock limit	± 6%
Cash limit	0 - 10%
Inception date	30 January 2009
Recommended investment period	Medium to longer term (five years plus)
Buy/sell spread	+/-0.20%
Entry/exit fees	Nil
Management fee	0.95% p.a. of Net Asset Value of the Fund

### **About BAEP**

Bennelong Australian Equity Partners (BAEP) is a boutique fund manager focused on Australian equities. It was founded in 2008 in partnership with Bennelong Funds Management. BAEP is a genuinely active fund manager with a consistent, disciplined and proven investment approach.

BAEP's investment philosophy is to selectively invest in high quality companies with strong growth outlooks and underestimated earnings momentum and prospects.

BAEP's investment process is research-intensive with a focus on proprietary field research and is supported by macro-economic and quantitative insights.

### **About the Fund**

The Bennelong Australian Equities Fund typically holds 25-50 stocks across the entire spectrum of the Australian share market. It primarily holds stocks from the S&P/ASX300 Index, although it can invest in stocks beyond this index.

**Benefits of the Fund** 

- BAEP is an award winning and highly rated equities fund manager with an experienced and performanceorientated team.
- BAEP is a genuinely active and high conviction fund manager.
- The Fund is managed in accordance with BAEP's robust, disciplined and proven investment philosophy and process.
- The Fund has a track record of adding value by outperforming the market over the long term.

### Get in touch

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### How to invest

The Fund is open to investors directly via the PDS (available on our <u>website</u>), mFund (code: BAE01), or the following platforms.

#### Platforms

AMP (Elements Investment, Elements Pension, eWrap Investment Acc, eWrap Pension Acc, iAccess, Investment Service, Multifund, MyNorth, North, Pension Service, Portfolio Care, Portfolio Care eWrap, Summit, Super Service, Synergy, Wealthview eWrap Inv)

Allan Gray Solutions (Super, Pension, Investment)

BT Asgard (Master Trust, Employee Super, Infinity eWrap)

BT (Panorama)

Centric Wealth (IDPS)

CFS (FirstWrap, IX (PIS)) Dash

Hub 24 (Super, IDPS)

Mason Stevens Macquarie Wrap (IDPS, Super, Accumulator) Netwealth (Super Service, Wrap Service, IDPS) Oasis (Wealthtrac, Voyage) One Answer (Frontier, OnePath) Praemium (Super, Non-Super) Wealthtrac

1 S&P/ASX 300 Accumulation Index

2 Inception date is 30 January 2009

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