

Performance report | 30 April 2026

Bennelong ex-20 Australian Equities Fund

Net returns

	1 mth	3 mths	CYTD	1 year	3 years p.a.	5 years p.a.	10 years p.a.	Since inception ² p.a.
Fund	3.30%	-14.72%	-12.44%	-18.88%	-6.21%	-7.02%	3.11%	7.10%
Benchmark ¹	2.67%	-9.49%	-7.73%	4.69%	6.86%	5.86%	8.30%	7.61%
Value added	+0.63%	-5.24%	-4.71%	-23.57%	-13.07%	-12.88%	-5.19%	-0.51%

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.

About the Fund?

The Bennelong ex-20 Australian Equities Fund primarily selects securities from the S&P/ASX 300 Accumulation Index, excluding the top 20 (typically holding 20-50 names).

The Fund offers genuine diversification and greater exposure to the rich opportunity set outside of the largest 20 securities, in order to add value and complement investors' existing Australian equities holdings.

Benefits of the Fund

- In comparison to the typical domestic core equity portfolio, the Fund offers genuine diversification and greater exposure to the rich opportunity set outside the top 20
- Track record of adding value by outperforming the market over the long term
- Managed in accordance with BAEP's robust, disciplined and proven investment philosophy and process

About BAEP

Bennelong Australian Equity Partners (BAEP) is a boutique fund manager investing in Australian listed equities. It was founded in 2008 by Mark East, in partnership with Bennelong Funds Management.

BAEP is a genuinely active, award-winning and highly-rated fund manager with an experienced and performance-oriented team. Its investment philosophy is to selectively invest in high quality companies with strong growth outlooks and underestimated earnings momentum and prospects. Its investment process is research-intensive, with a focus on proprietary field research, and is supported by macro-economic and quantitative insights.

Portfolio sector allocation

Sector	Fund Weight	Benchmark ¹ Weight	Active Weight
Discretionary	33.6%	6.0%	27.6%
Health Care	21.3%	8.7%	12.7%
Communication	13.1%	3.7%	9.4%
Financials	19.8%	13.9%	5.9%
Liquidity	0.7%	0.0%	0.7%
IT	6.6%	6.1%	0.5%
Consumer Staples	0.0%	2.4%	-2.4%
Utilities	0.0%	3.9%	-3.9%
Energy	0.0%	6.2%	-6.2%
Industrials	2.6%	11.8%	-9.2%
REIT's	0.0%	9.8%	-9.8%
Materials	2.3%	27.4%	-25.1%

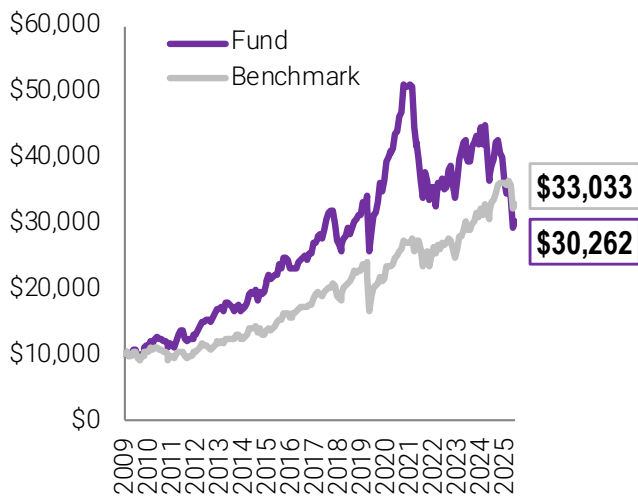
Portfolio characteristics

	Fund	Benchmark ¹	Profile
Return on Equity	14.7%	12.0%	Premium
Debt/Equity	33.9%	37.2%	Quality
Sales Growth	11.0%	6.7%	Typically
EPS Growth	15.2%	29.6%	More
Price/Earnings	21.9x	15.7x	Growth
Dividend Yield	2.5%	3.3%	Reasonable
Beta	1.15	1	Valuation
Active Share	86%	na	Genuinely
No. of Stocks	22	278	Active

Source: broker consensus estimates for the next 12 months

Long-term performance

Growth of \$10,000 since inception^{2,3}



Top five active holdings

At month end, in alphabetical order

Company
AP Eagers Limited
Breville Group Limited
Credit Corp Group Limited
Fisher & Paykel Healthcare
Hub24 Ltd

Top three contributors

To monthly relative performance, in alphabetical order

Company	Avg active position
Breville Group Limited	Overweight
CAR Group Limited	Overweight
Cochlear	Underweight

Top three detractors

To monthly relative performance, in alphabetical order

Company	Avg active position
Corporate Travel Management ⁵	Overweight
Fisher & Paykel Healthcare	Overweight
Pilbara Minerals	Underweight

The Fund at a glance

Feature	Fund facts
APIR code	BFL0004AU
Benchmark	S&P/ASX 300 Accumulation Index excluding S&P/ASX 20 Leaders Index
Investment objective	4% p.a. above benchmark measured over rolling 3-year periods
Active stock limit	± 10%
Cash limit	0 - 10%
Inception date	02 November 2009
Recommended investment period	Long term (five years plus)
Buy/sell spread	+/-0.20%
Entry/exit fees	Nil
Management fees and costs ⁴	0.98% p.a. of Net Asset Value of the Fund
Performance fee	15% of any amount by which the Fund's return is greater than the return generated by the S&P/ASX 300 Accumulation Index excluding S&P/ASX 20 Leaders Index

How to invest

The Fund is open to investors via the PDS (available on our [website](#)) or the following platforms.

- AMP (North)
- Australian Unity (Lifeplan Investment Bond)
- BT (Panorama, Compact)
- Centric Wealth (IDPS)
- CFS (Edge Super, Accelerate)
- Dash
- Expand (Expand, Expand Extra)
- Hub 24 (Super, IDPS)
- JBWere
- Macquarie Wrap (IDPS, Super)
- Mason Stevens
- MLC (Navigator, Wrap)
- Morgan Stanley
- Netwealth (Wealth and Super Accelerator Plus)
- Oasis (Wealthtrac, Mentor)
- Praemium (IDPS, Super SMA, Power Wrap – Smart Wrap)

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1 S&P/ASX 300 Accumulation Index excluding S&P/ASX 20 Leaders Index

2 Inception date is 2 November 2009

3 Calculations are based on net returns (after fees and expenses) and assume the reinvestment of distributions.

4 Management fees and costs consist of annual management fee rate and capped recoverable expenses. For a detailed split of the fees and costs, please refer to the fund(s) PDS.

5 CTD remains suspended from trading on the ASX. The underperformance of the position in the month was due to an NAV adjustment which led to the stock having a negative contribution to portfolio performance while the market appreciated.

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