

## Market Update

August saw global stock markets decline while bonds and precious metals all outperformed amid continuing concerns over trade and growth. US bond markets, which can be seen as an indicator of risk have priced in rising concerns over a possible recession as the US 10-year government bond yield fell 35 basis points, closing the month at 1.50%, a threeyear low, while the two-year yield also ended at 1.50%. The Treasury yield curve inverted for the first time since 2007, magnifying possible recessionary concerns.

The Dow Jones sold off early in the month breaking through the 200 DMA 25,647 to finish the month down 1.6%. Weak economic data from Germany contributed to heightened worries over global growth as the Euro Stoxx50 fell 1.6% whilst FTSE100 index fell 5.5% in the UK, although defensive areas such as healthcare and utilities outperformed. The prospect of a no-deal Brexit rose and the pound traded a 3 point range from 120 to 123 off the sentiment of any news from the newly formed Johnson government. It was a poor month for Asian indexes as well as Japanese shares fell, mirroring the currency market as the yen moved sharply higher against the dollar early in the month. Emerging market equities declined as trade tensions escalated, especially those markets most sensitive to US dollar strength came under pressure.

The energy sector registered the steepest decline as crude oil fell 7.7%, with demand concerns outweighing ongoing supply risks. The soft commodities sector was also firmly down. Corn was notably weak as higher-than-expected production boosted the supply outlook. Industrial metals also fell with iron ore prices correcting sharply amid rising demand concerns in China, and as supplies stabilised following disruptions earlier in the year. With a global bias to risk off, precious metals – gold and silver – posted robust returns as investors moved into these safe haven assets.

#### Investment Manager Outlook Statement Stuart McAuliffe, *Portfolio Manager.*

Stocks have been supported by lower interest rates, but from here it gets more interesting. The bullish view on equities will continue if rates bottom and economic growth bounces. If growth deteriorates, lower rates won't save stocks.

The US dollar may finally top out soon, sending other major currencies higher and driving commodity prices and emerging markets.

# **Current** Values

Application Price	\$1.0379
NAV Price	\$1.0363
Redemption Price	\$1.0347
Net Asset Value	\$5.299 mil

# Fund Statistics – August

Annualised return	6.34%
Annualised volatility	0.05137
Sharpe ratio (risk free rate is AUD 3 month BB rate)	0.273916
Sortino ratio	0.695594
Positive Months (%)	57%
Monthly Standard Deviation	0.01483

For an explanation of some of the performance metrics/fund statistics please refer to the retail fund page on JB Markets' website.

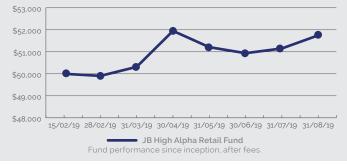
## Performance as at 31 August 2019

	Fund Performance
1 Month	1.17%
3 Months	1.06%
4 Months	-0.39%
6 Months	3.69%
9 Months	n/a
12 Months	n/a
Since inception (15 Feb 2019)	3.65%

Past trading performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance. Returns displayed are net of fees. Fees and other costs are exclusive of GST unless otherwise stated.

# Performance Chart

Growth of \$50,000 investment since fund inception (distributions reinvested)



## **Fund Objective**

The Investment Manager will seek to provide investors with capital growth over the medium to long-term. The Fund will invest in a range of financial products that focus on global macroeconomics and, in holding both long and short positions, will seek absolute returns regardless of market direction. The Investment Manager's advantage lies in correct assessment of broad valuation measures, macroeconomic environment, sentiment and economic forecasting. The strategy aims to identify medium and long-term trends and trend shifts, but to also vary position size given short-term technical indicators including sentiment and momentum.

# **Fund Strategy**

The Fund will invest in a range of financial products that focus on global macroeconomics.

The goal is to provide investors with exposure to global markets, where returns are not necessarily correlated to traditional ASX equity markets (which is where many listed investment companies focus their investment activities).

In holding both long and short positions, the Fund will seek absolute returns – that is, returns regardless of market direction.

The Fund has a focus on an actively managed portfolio of exchange traded futures and options, trading where the Investment Manager believes that significant valuation discrepancies exist between current trading prices and the underlying intrinsic value of the asset class.

The Fund may also invest directly in equities listed in Australia and offshore on leading exchanges, and can hold relatively large cash exposures. Derivatives may be used to leverage the Fund.

The Fund seeks to maintain a diversity of investments in deeply liquid markets, with the goal of reducing risk and volatility (or the variability of returns).

# **Investment Manager**

John Bridgeman Limited (Investment Manager) has been appointed by the Responsible Entity for JB High Alpha Retail Fund to manage the Portfolio in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Investment Management Agreement and the PDS. The Investment Manager and its investment team have considerable experience in investment management across different geographies, sectors and industries. The Investment Manager operates a specialist investment management business, and is listed on the National Stock Exchange of Australia under the ticker "JBL".

# **Portfolio Manager**

Stuart McAuliffe, Managing Director and Chief Investment Officer of John Bridgeman Limited, has primary responsibility for the investment decisions of the Investment Manager. He is supported by a team of investment professionals who have skills and expertise across Australian and global markets.

Stuart has over 25 years' experience investing in global equity, bond, currency and commodity markets. He has pioneered innovative research into the correlation and causation between different global equity and currency markets over short, medium and long term time periods. As the senior executive responsible for investments, he uses a 'layered' approach combining multiple time frame fundamental analysis with short term technical trading patterns to maximise returns while managing risk.

# **Fund Details**

Name	JB High Alpha Retail Fund
ARSN	ARSN 602 157 559
APIR Code	JBM7543AU
Responsible Entity	One Managed Investment Funds Limited ABN 47 117 400 987 AFSL 297042
Investment Manager	John Bridgeman Limited ABN 55 603 477 185 CAR 1008380
Key Portfolio Manager	Stuart McAuliffe
Administrator	Unity Fund Services Pty Ltd ABN 16 146 747 122
Custodian	One Managed Investment Funds Limited ABN 47 117 400 987 AFSL 297042
Registry provider	One Registry Services Pty Ltd ABN 69 141 757 360
Auditor	Crowe Horwath Sydney
Broking	JB Markets Pty Ltd ABN 81 123 876 291 AFSL 323182
Fund inception date	15 Feb 2019
Entity	Open-ended Registered Managed Investment Trust
Units	All units rank equally with each other
Currency	Reported in Australian Dollars
Domicile	Australia
Minimum Investment amount	\$50,000
Minimum additional Investment	\$5,000
Investor Type	Retail and Wholesale clients.
	2.05% pa (including net GST) of the gross asset value of the Fund, charged monthly in arrears.
Management Fee	See Section 5 Fees and other costs of the PDS for details.
	23.575% (including net GST) of any positive Fund performance after Investment Management Fees and before Usual Expenses, subject to a High Water Mark.
Performance Fee	See Section 5 Fees and other costs of the PDS for details.
High water mark	Yes
Buy/Sell Spread	+0.15% and -0.15%
Distributions	Annually
Liquidity	Weekly Applications/ Fortnightly Withdrawals, see PDS for details

#### RG240 Disclosure

For the period up to 31 August 2019 covered by this Report there were no material changes to any of the following: The Fund's risk profile; the Fund's strategy; and key investment personnel related to the Fund.

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