

## Market Update

The market traded in a range in June, stuck in a tug of war between the bears and bulls. COVID hot spots, trade tension, and economic uncertainty kept a lid on gains, while scientific progress, liquidity, and positive economic surprises provided a floor. WHO says there are now 17 vaccine candidates in clinical evaluation. Scientific progress helps the market get comfortable despite poor company earnings, liquidity keeps the market elevated.

It's been a very strong quarter for equities and credit as central banks and governments provided enormous amounts of stimulus and economies continued their re-opening process. Despite the strong rebound in risk assets, traditional portfolio hedges such as government bonds and gold have held up well. US Treasuries are up about 9% year to date, while gold is up close to 18%.

As economies have started to re-open, economic data has shown signs of a sharp rebound. For example, US retail sales rose 17% month on month in May, while UK retail sales rebounded by 12%. While sales are still down 6% and 13% year on year respectively, the speed and magnitude of the bounce back is a clear positive.

However, some risks remain. First, the Federal Reserve and other central banks have been clear that they can only lend, not spend, and so won't necessarily be able to save companies that face solvency concerns, rather than just liquidity concerns. Some companies will therefore still face administration, and we have unfortunately already seen some examples this quarter.

In addition, the virus has not been fully contained, nor a vaccine approved. In the US, the number of new infections is rising again, while several emerging markets, including India and much of Latin America, have been unable to get the virus under control. Despite this risk around infection rates, US equities were up about 20% this quarter and emerging market equities were up 18%.

Political risks also remain, with the US election fast approaching, tensions between China and the rest of the world escalating and Brexit still unresolved. On a positive political note, the European Union has taken steps towards reducing the risk of a politically induced re-run of the European sovereign debt crisis. The proposed recovery fund would essentially provide support to some of the worst-affected countries, such as Italy and Spain, from countries such as Germany and France. European equities were up 15% this quarter.

### **Fund Update**

The offer document of the Fund has been withdrawn from use effective 26 June 2020.

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

Stocks continue to be supported by lower rates and the Fed's corporate bond buying program but from here it gets more interesting. The bullish view on equities will continue if rates bottom and economic growth bounces. The US Dollar may finally top out soon, sending other major currencies higher and driving commodity prices and emerging markets.

## **Current** Values

| Application Price | \$0.5720    |
|-------------------|-------------|
| NAV Price         | \$0.5711    |
| Redemption Price  | \$0.5702    |
| Net Asset Value   | \$1.844 mil |

## Fund Statistics – June

| Annualised volatility                                |           |
|--|-----------|
|  | 0.11208   |
| Sharpe ratio (risk free rate is AUD 3 month BB rate) | -0.631390 |
| Sortino ratio  | -0.716088 |
| Positive Months (%)                                  | 29%       |
| Monthly Standard Deviation                           | 0.03235   |
| Return Since Inception                               | -42.88%   |

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 30 June 2020

|  | Fund Performance |
|--|------------------|
| 1 Month                                    | -3.87%           |
| 3 Months                                   | -12.34%          |
| 4 Months                                   | -24.19%          |
| 6 Months                                   | -39.08%          |
| 9 Months                                   | -41.43%          |
| 12 Months                                  | -44.01%          |
| Since inception (15 Feb 2019) – Annualised | -33.50%          |

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)



June 2020 Factsheet

## **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.

#### Disclaimer: Information in this document is current as at 30 June 2020.

## **Fund Details**

| Name                             | JB High Alpha Retail Fund   |
|----------------------------------|---|
| ARSN                             | ARSN 602 157 559  |
| APIR Code                        | JBM7543AU   |
| Responsible Entity               | One Managed Investment Funds Limited<br>ABN 47 117 400 987 AFSL 297042  |
| Investment Manager               | John Bridgeman Limited<br>ABN 55 603 477 185 CAR 1008380  |
| Key Portfolio Manager            | Stuart McAuliffe  |
| Administrator                    | Unity Fund Services Pty Ltd<br>ABN 16 146 747 122   |
| Custodian                        | One Managed Investment Funds Limited<br>ABN 47 117 400 987 AFSL 297042  |
| Registry provider                | One Registry Services Pty Ltd<br>ABN 69 141 757 360   |
| Auditor                          | Crowe Horwath Sydney  |
| Broking                          | JB Markets Pty Ltd<br>ABN 81 123 876 291 AFSL 323182  |
| Fund inception date              | 15 Feb 2019   |
| Entity                           | Open-ended Registered Managed<br>Investment Trust   |
| Units                            | All units rank equally with each other  |
| Currency                         | Reported in Australian Dollars  |
| Domicile                         | Australia   |
| Minimum Investment<br>amount     | \$50,000  |
| Minimum additional<br>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<br>performance after Investment Management<br>Fees and before Usual Expenses, subject to a<br>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/<br>Fortnightly Withdrawals, see PDS for details  |

#### RG240 Disclosure

For the period up to 30 June 2020 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.

# **Contact details**

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