

### **Fund Details**

Name	JB High Alpha Fund	
Entity	Open-ended Investment Unit Trust	
Domicile	Australia	
Key portfolio manager	Stuart McAuliffe	
Investment Manager	John Bridgeman Limited	
Broking & Clearing	JB Markets Pty Ltd/ Saxo Bank	
Trustee	JB Markets Pty Ltd	
Fund Inception Date	14 February 2017	
Minimum Investment amount	\$50,000	
Investor type	Wholesale clients	
Units	All units will rank equally with each other	
Currency	Reported in Australian Dollars	
Management Fee	2.0% of net AUM	
Performance Fee	23.0% of the increase in Fund's net asset value (NAV)	
High water mark	Yes	
Distributions	Nil	
Withdrawals	Weekly	
APIR code	JBM2867AU	

# **Investment Manager**

The JB High Alpha Fund has appointed John Bridgeman Limited to manage the Portfolio in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Management Services Agreement. The Manager and its investment team have considerable experience in investment management across different geographies, sectors and industries. The 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.

# Performance as at 31 August 2020

	Fund	Barclay Hedge Fund Index	Outperformance
1 Month	4.80%	2.39%	2.38%
3 Months	-3.90%	7.24%	-11.09%
6 Months	-22.0%	6.12%	-28.08%
1 Year	-44.8%	6.97%	-51.74%
Since inception (Feb 17)	-18.3%	16.83%	-35.11%

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**

# $Growth \, of \, \$10,\!000 \, investment \, since \, fund \, inception$



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## **Market Update**

Global share markets rose in July as investors bet that ongoing government and central bank support will continue to drive the recovery even as many countries reported a further spike in new coronavirus cases. China's economy grew 3.2% for the year to 30 June, ensuring the country avoided recession after a 6.8% annualised contraction in the March quarter.

Meanwhile, a preliminary reading showed the US economy shrank 9.5% in the three months to 30 June and a massive 32.9% for the year – the biggest decline in annual growth since records began in 1945. At the country level, US stocks performed well, with the benchmark S&P 500 Index gaining 5.5% for the month. The index has now gained 46.2% since its low on 23 March. Chinese stocks were also materially higher over the period, while share markets in the UK, Japan and Europe were all weaker.

Australian shares made modest gains in July. Like their global counterparts, local stocks benefited from continued fiscal and monetary policy support, with the Federal Government extending its Job Keeper program for a further six months and the Reserve Bank of Australia (RBA) reaffirming its commitment to maintain its policy response to the coronavirus for as long as it's required.

The RBA maintained its policy settings in July, including the targets for the cash rate and the yield on three-year government bonds of 0.25%.

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.

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

### **Statistics**

Annualised return	4.80%
Annualised volatility	33%
Sharpe ratio (risk free rate is AUD 3 month BB rate)	0.0
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Positive Months (%)	55%

### Fund Objective

The Fund's objective is to provide investors with moderate to high portfolio appreciation over the medium to long-term through active management of the investment assets. 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 Fund will predominantly invest and trade in global futures markets worldwide, across categories such as share indices, interest rates, currencies and commodities. The Fund may also invest in listed equities and can hold relatively large cash exposures.

### **Fund Strategy**

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. The strategy targets positive results over 12 month rolling periods. The Investment Manager's advantage lies in correct assessment of broad valuation measures, macroeconomic environment, sentiment and economic forecasting.

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