

## **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 30 April 2021

	Fund	Barclay Hedge Fund Index	Outperformance
1 Month	0.30%	2.93%	-2.63%
3 Months	-4.80%	6.65%	-11.45%
6 Months	-4.60%	16.94%	-21.54%
1 Year	-18.10%	23.18%	-41.28%
Since inception (Feb 17)	-26.20%	32.91%	-59.11%

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

Relative to their 12-month moving average, the trend in equities, bond yields and commodity prices remains to the upside, while – at this stage at least – the trend in the \$US is still down. Looking forward, the outlook for equities remains favourable given rapidly recovering global economic growth and corporate earnings. The major near-term risk is any further untoward rise in bond yields as this could pressure still lofty outright price-to-earnings (PE) valuations. The general view is that bond yields should remain relatively contained as any lift in inflation (especially in the U.S.) is likely to be short-lived and will not change the dovish stance of central banks.

The COVID equity recovery so far has favoured non-U.S. themes, such as emerging markets and 'value' over 'growth'. Relative to hedged global equities, Australian stocks have underperformed – though performance has been better against unhedged global equities due to strength in the \$A. So far at least, however, the underperformance of U.S. stocks has been only modest, and the longer-term relative trend is still pointing up.

After an extended period of underperformance, UK equities look to be finally turning the corner. Buoyed by a stronger Pound, waning Brexit anxieties and an encouraging vaccination rollout, we expect the FTSE 100 to outperform as foreign investors reconsider their allocations.

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

#### **Statistics**

Annualised return	-6.9%
Annualised volatility	40%
Sharpe ratio (risk free rate is AUD 3 month BB rate)	0.0
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Positive Months (%)	44%

## **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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