Bennelong Kardinia Absolute Return Fund Monthly performance report

As at 30 September 2016

Fund at a glance

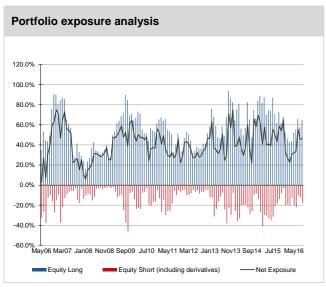
Fund facts	
Strategy	Long-short Australian equity
Process	Fundamental stock selection based on analysis of the macroeconomic environment, company and operating environment, quality of management and valuation
Objective	To achieve double digit annual rates of return through an investment cycle, with an overarching philosophy of capital protection
FUM	AUD 330.4 million
Inception date	1 May 2006
Unit price: daily series	1.2058
Unit price: monthly series	1.4258
Fund managers	Mark Burgess, CFA®
	Kristiaan Rehder, CFA®
Annualised return	11.59%
Return since inception	213.37%
Annualised standard deviation	7.26%
Sharpe ratio (RFR=RBA cash)	1.04
Percentage of positive months	72.00%

Fund performance

Timeframe	Fund return	Benchmark	Value added
1 month	(0.22%)	0.12%	(0.34%)
3 months	1.68%	0.40%	1.28%
6 months	3.36%	0.86%	2.50%
1 year	3.69%	1.87%	1.82%
3 years p.a.	5.66%	2.22%	3.44%
5 years p.a.	8.45%	2.74%	5.71%
Since inception p.a.	11.59%	4.08%	7.51%

Note: Performance results are presented net of all transaction costs, investment management and performance fees and all other costs incurred by the Fund. Performance is the total return of the fund (assuming re-investment of distributions) and is quoted based on hard-close unit prices, without including the impact of buy/sell spreads. The benchmark is the RBA cash rate and the inception date is 1 May 2006.

Fund in review



Market and fund commentary

The S&P/ASX300 Accumulation Index rose 0.51% in September, outperforming major developed world peers. The Australian market fell nearly 4% mid-month due to concern over a potential rise in the US Federal Funds Rate and a less dovish narrative from the European Central Bank, but recovered in the second half of the month as the US Federal Reserve left rates on hold and commodity prices generally rose (particularly coking coal, which was up 54% for the month).

Australian economic data was generally positive, with 2Q GDP up 3.3% and capex intentions upgraded. The Reserve Bank of Australia left its official cash rate





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unchanged at 1.50%. The Australian dollar was volatile throughout the month but finished up 1.9% at US\$0.767.

Materials (+5.6%), Staples (+1.7%) and Financials ex REITs (+0.6%) outperformed, whilst higher bond yields led to underperformance from REITs (-4.3%), Telcos (-4.0%) and Utilities (-3.3%).

The Bennelong Kardinia Absolute Return Fund fell 0.22% in September. Long positions in BHP, South32 and RIO were the largest positive contributors, whilst TPG Telecom, Skycity Entertainment and S2 Resources were the largest detractors from performance. Net equity market exposure (including derivatives) increased from 45.4% to 46.7% (64.7% long and 18.1% short).

Fund performance

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
2016	-3.42%	-1.78%	0.30%	0.52%	1.60%	-0.47%	2.95%	-1.02%	-0.22%				-1.66%
2015	1.44%	1.90%	1.24%	-0.59%	0.41%	-1.49%	2.20%	-2.27%	1.14%	2.45%	1.16%	1.74%	9.60%
2014	-2.12%	2.69%	0.87%	-0.63%	0.36%	-0.66%	1.07%	0.56%	-0.31%	1.22%	1.13%	1.53%	5.77%
2013	2.21%	2.36%	1.42%	1.34%	0.40%	-0.46%	1.31%	0.96%	0.93%	2.17%	0.15%	1.11%	14.76%
2012	1.08%	2.30%	1.82%	0.04%	-1.79%	1.38%	2.30%	1.38%	1.85%	0.68%	0.71%	1.07%	13.52%
2011	4.25%	2.13%	0.23%	0.37%	0.11%	-1.41%	0.31%	-3.23%	-1.19%	2.31%	-1.16%	-0.13%	2.42%
2010	-3.82%	0.66%	4.36%	0.36%	-4.38%	-1.33%	0.03%	0.09%	2.49%	2.19%	2.02%	6.84%	9.33%
2009	-1.46%	-0.68%	1.79%	4.56%	0.34%	0.54%	5.31%	4.41%	3.86%	1.21%	-0.28%	3.59%	25.47%
2008	-1.00%	1.12%	0.17%	1.93%	1.33%	0.87%	-1.72%	1.02%	-3.20%	-1.29%	-0.81%	2.04%	0.30%
2007	2.04%	1.28%	1.45%	3.74%	4.95%	1.21%	0.65%	-2.62%	1.76%	2.36%	-0.02%	-1.34%	16.36%
2006					1.53%	6.54%	-0.06%	0.32%	-0.22%	3.65%	5.50%	8.72%	28.67%

How to invest

The Fund is open to investors directly via the PDS, available on our website, or via a range of platforms.

Platforms	
AMP: North, PortfolioCare (incl. eWrap), Wealthview, PPS	Hub 24
Asgard: MasterFund, eWrap, Infinity	Macquarie Wrap: IDPS, Super
BT Wrap	Netwealth Wrap Services
CFS: FirstChoice, FirstWrap	Oasis: Dominion, Superior Wealth, Wealthtrac
CFS: FirstChoice, FirstWrap Credit Suisse (HSBC)	

Contact details

For more information, contact Client Services on 1800 895 388, or visit kardiniacapital.com.au

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- 2. The Bennelong Kardinia Absolute Return Fund (Fund) was launched on 1 May 2006 by another trustee. Bennelong Funds Management Ltd (Bennelong) assumed responsibility as replacement trustee on 16 August 2011. Performance information prior to 16 August 2011 relates to the previous trustee. Mark Burgess and Kristiaan Rehder were employed by the previous trustee and became employees of Kardinia Capital Pty Limited (Kardinia), which has been engaged by Bennelong to manage the Fund, in August 2011. Kardinia intends to apply the same investment philosophy and strategy in respect of the Fund. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance.
- 3. Valuations are computed and stated in Australian dollars and are provided by independent service provider, Custom House Fund Services (Australia) Pty Limited (Custom House).

 4. Performance results are presented net of all transaction costs, investment management and performance fees and all other costs incurred by the Fund. Performance is the total return
- of the fund (assuming re-investment of distributions) and is quoted based on hard-close unit prices, without including the impact of buy/sell spreads.

 5. The Fund's benchmark is the RBA cash rate. Since inception annualised compound return is 11.59%; annualised compound benchmark return is 4.08%
- 6. A complete and detailed list of performance results including a presentation is available upon request.
 7. Please note that performance data for the Fund is historical data based on the main series using a monthly unit pricing methodology. For those who are invested in the daily series please contact Client Services (1800 895 388 or client.services@bennelongfunds.com) to request your performance history

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