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OBJECTIVE

The fund’s dual objectives are to provide a dividend yield (after fees and expenses and before taxes) which exceeds a yield of 2% above that of the S&P/ASX 300 Accumulation Index on a rolling four year basis, whilst maintaining lower levels of volatility relative to the S&P/ASX 300 Accumulation index.

FUND FACTS

APIR	IML3046AU
ASX code	EQIN
Inception	01/09/2025
Benchmark	S&P ASX 300
Management fee*	0.90%p.a.
Performance fee*	n/a
Asset classes	Aust Equities (50-100%) Cash (0-50%)
Investment horizon	4-5 Years
Fund size	\$518M
NAV	\$3.80
Distributions	Quarterly

*Fees are inclusive of the net effect of GST

RATINGS

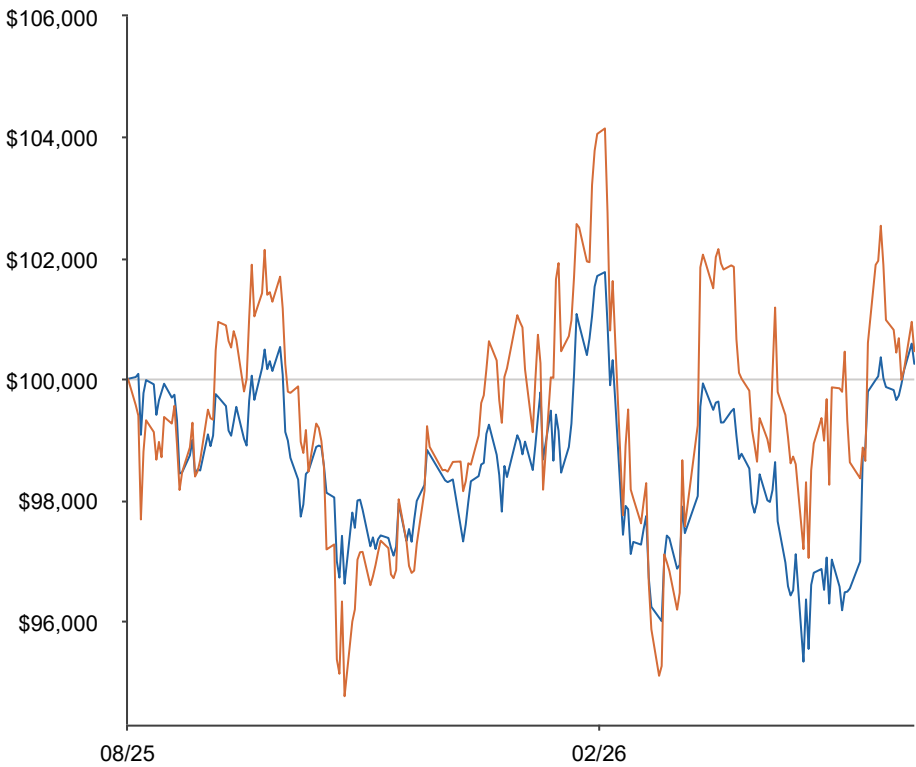
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PERFORMANCE TABLE

	1m	3m	1y p.a.	3y p.a.	5y p.a.	10y p.a.
Fund*	3.3%	3.4%	-	-	-	-
Benchmark**	0.6%	4.1%	-	-	-	-

Quoted unit class inception date 01/09/2025 The unlisted unit class commenced on 01/01/2011. *Fund returns are calculated net of management fees, and assuming all distributions are re-invested. Investors should be aware that past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance. Returns can be volatile, reflecting rises and falls in the value of underlying investments. **The benchmark for this Fund is the S&P ASX 300

GROWTH OF \$100,000 INVESTED AT INCEPTION



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■ Fund ■ Benchmark

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TOP 10 HOLDINGS

	Weight %
BHP	8.1%
Commonwealth Bank	6.3%
Brambles	4.5%
Dalrymple Bay Infrastructure	4.5%
The Lottery Corporation	4.1%
Charter Hall Retail REIT	3.9%
National Australia Bank	3.6%
Steadfast	3.5%
Amcor	3.2%
Telstra	3.1%

ACTIVE SECTOR WEIGHTS

Industrials	3.9%
Health Care	3.7%
Real Estate	0.3%
Communication Services	0.0%
Energy	-0.6%
Utilities	-0.9%
Information Technology	-1.3%
Consumer Staples	-1.8%
Consumer Discretionary	-2.1%
Materials	-10.6%
Financials	-11.2%

PORTFOLIO CHARACTERISTICS

	Fund	Benchmark
No. of stocks	40	300
Portfolio Turnover (%)	29.70	

Annual portfolio turnover over the last 12 months is computed by taking the lesser of purchases or sales and dividing by the average monthly net assets.

FUND & MARKET COMMENTARY

- The **Equity Income Fund – Complex ETF (EQIN)** performed strongly in June, but finished behind over the quarter, up +3.4% vs the benchmark's +4.1%.
- While the rally lost momentum in June, global equity markets had a very strong quarter overall driven mostly by AI infrastructure spend, as well as increased confidence that conflict in the Middle East was easing. All major markets were up over the quarter, led by those with greater AI exposure, including the Nikkei which soared a record +37.4%, with the MSCI World Emerging Markets up +24.2%, and the Nasdaq up +21.6%.
- The ASX 300 was up +4.1% for the quarter, however underperformed most of its global counterparts. This was due to lower AI exposure, the resources rally losing steam, and most Australian banks falling due to the Government's changes to Capital Gains Tax and negative gearing likely to negatively impact loan growth. Consumer Discretionary was the strongest sector, up +18.0% as the consumer spending outlook improved due to lower oil prices and the RBA keeping rates on hold, with Technology also strong, up +17.4% on the AI halo. Energy was weakest, falling -16.7%, as positive news from the Middle East meant supply constraints are more likely to continue to ease.
- Many of the Fund's holdings performed well for the quarter including Steadfast +20.0%, Orica +19.5%, Suncorp +19.4%, Medibank +14.0%, Dalrymple Bay Infrastructure +15.3% and Amcor +13.0%. CSL fell -18.5% over the quarter, however it was up +18.8% in June in line with our view that its share price has fallen far below its fundamental value. Brambles was also disappointing, as explained below.
- Throughout the quarter, the Fund generated good incremental income by tactically writing options in response to elevated share price movements across select holdings including Amcor, Brambles, Cleanaway and Macquarie Group.
- Over the quarter we trimmed our positions in Aurizon, Telstra, Transurban and Woolworths as they appreciated in value, as well as CBA and NAB earlier in the quarter. We also took advantage of attractive prices to top up our position in Brambles, Sigma and Cleanaway.

STOCKS IN FOCUS

Steadfast Group (SDF), Australasia's largest insurance broker and underwriting agency, was a strong contributor during the quarter, rising +20.0% after receiving a \$6.00 per share cash takeover proposal from US broker Amwins and investment firm Dragoneer. The bid was a 52% premium to Steadfast's share price at the time and validates our long-held view that the market was undervaluing the quality and resilience of Steadfast's earnings and overstating the AI disruption risks.

Global mining explosives company **Orica (ORI)** performed strongly during the quarter, rising +19.5% following a record half-year result in May. First-half underlying Net Profit after Tax (NPAT) was up +8%, driven by growing adoption of Orica's premium blasting products and digital technology offerings amid robust gold and copper markets. Management is guiding to full year earnings growth across all segments and a new \$100 million cost-out program, reinforcing our conviction in Orica's transition toward higher-quality, technology-led earnings.

Brambles (BXB), the global supply chain and logistics company, was a key detractor during the quarter, falling -13.8% after a May trading update cut FY26 profit growth guidance to 3–5% from 8–11%. The downgrade stemmed from repair capacity constraints in parts of Brambles' US service centre network, driven by subcontractor issues and higher pallet quality standards required by customers' automated distribution centres. While disappointing, we note underlying demand remains solid, free cash flow guidance was maintained and the company announced a US\$400 million buyback. We view the network issues as transitory, albeit with resolution unlikely before the end of the first half of FY27.

OUTLOOK

The war in the Middle East is unpredictable and continues to evolve. Inflation is also heading higher in many parts of the world and the longer-term damage to the global economy remains substantial. Meanwhile, concerns remain around US tariffs and the impact of AI.

In Australia, higher persistent inflation and a resilient economy has led the RBA to raise rates three times this year already with further rises possible. Our focus on quality businesses with more defensive, recurring earnings positions us well for any continued volatility or slowdown in the global and Australian economies. Importantly, the attractive valuations of our holdings, many of which trade well below our assessment of intrinsic value, underpin our optimism about future returns.


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