

Ellerston Mid Cap Opportunities Fund

Monthly Report as at 31 July 2025

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Portfolio of 25-40 Mid Cap companies built through an active, research-driven investment approach.



Focus on companies which have a sound business franchise with an attractive earnings profile, which operate in growth industries and trade at a discount to valuation.



Aims to outperform the Benchmark over a rolling three-year period.

Performance Summary

Performance	1 Month	3 Months	6 Months	Since Inception^^
Net^	5.3%	16.9%	11.3%	11.3%
Benchmark*	3.6%	10.5%	5.3%	5.3%
Alpha	1.7%	6.4%	6.0%	6.0%

^ The net return figure is calculated after fees & expenses, assuming all distributions are reinvested. Past performance is not a reliable indication of future performance.

* 50% of the S&P/ASX Mid Cap 50 Total Return (TR) Index and 50% of the S&P/ASX Small Ordinaries Total Return (TR) Index. ^^Inception date is 31 January 2025.

Key Information

Portfolio Manager(s)	David Keelan Alexandra Clarke Jack Briggs
Investment Objective	To outperform the Benchmark over a rolling three year period.
Benchmark	50% of the S&P/ASX Mid Cap 50 TR Index & 50% of the S&P/ASX Small Ordinaries TR Index
Liquidity	Daily
Target Number of Holdings	25-40
Minimum Investment	Initial - \$10,000 Additional - \$5,000
Distribution Frequency	Half-Yearly (where available)
Management Fee	1.00% (p.a.)
Performance Fee ¹	20.00%
Buy/Sell Spread	0.25% / 0.25%

¹Of the investment return above the benchmark, after recovering any underperformance in past periods.

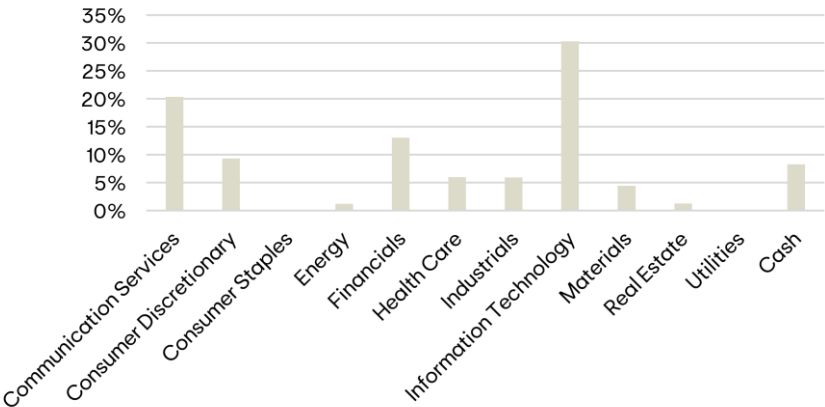
Top Holdings*

Company	Sector
Aussie Broadband	Communication Services
Catapult Group	Information Technology
Life360	Information Technology
Regis Healthcare	Health Care
Superloop	Communication Services

*In alphabetical order.

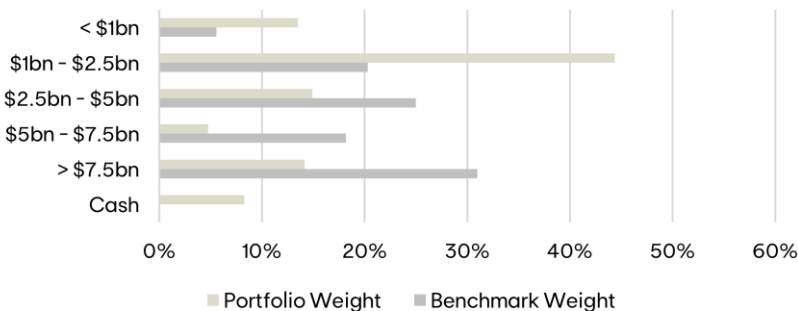
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Sector Allocation



Source: Ellerston Capital.

Market Capitalisation Exposure



Source: Ellerston Capital.

PORTFOLIO COMMENTARY

The Ellerston Mid Cap Opportunities Fund (Fund) delivered +5.3% (net) in July, outperforming the Benchmark return of +3.6%. A major surprise in July was the RBA's decision to maintain the cash rate at 3.85%, a cut had been fully priced in by the market. The RBA cited ongoing concerns about inflation and global uncertainties. As is usual July had plenty of company specific announcements from cleansing events to small acquisitions. On the downside we saw Flight Centre issue a profit warning; Viva Energy provided an earnings update which was below consensus expectations and Bapcor downgrade FY25 earnings. On the positive side, several defense-focused companies like DroneShield and Electro Optic Systems posted strong quarterlies, which resulted in a rally in their share prices.

KEY CONTRIBUTOR

In July, Johns Lyng Group (JLG AU) received a takeover offer from Pacific Equity Partners (PEP) at A\$4.00 per share, representing a 57% premium to the last traded price prior to the confirmation of the indicative proposal. JLG was a key holding in our portfolio where we had initiated our position, post the extreme share price weakness after the February result. We believed the market had overreacted to short-term challenges — specifically, unsustainably low adverse weather events in Australia and continued underperformance of JLG's U.S. business relative to expectations. At those levels, the stock was trading near our bear case valuation, and we saw this as an attractive entry point, with the business trading at a meaningful discount to its long-term valuation and unlisted transactions. With the company now set to delist from the ASX following the execution of a Scheme Implementation Deed in July, we

exited our position on the back of the stock trading near the bid price.

KEY DETRACTOR

Gentrack (GTK AU) was a key detractor declining 15%. GTK is a provider of billing software to utilities. At present there is a global shift for utilities to re-platform their technology stacks including their billing software and we think GTK's software capability and partnership with Salesforce positions it well to win new customers. The market seems to be growing tired of waiting for new customer wins which have yet to materialise with long sales cycles dragging on. Additionally in July, there were two pieces of negative newsflow, firstly GTK announced that it is likely to lose a customer representing 2-3% of revenue to a competitor, and secondly GTK's maiden go live of its new G2 cloud stack at Genesis Energy (which is key to the referenceability of the product for future sales) was delayed as Genesis decided to retire its subsidiary "Frank" brand. We continue to believe in the structural opportunity for GTK but are waiting for contract wins to build conviction.

OUTLOOK

As we move into the August reporting season, we are thoroughly reassessing our positions, with a focus on higher-quality companies that have pricing power, solid balance sheets, and the ability to grow outside of the broader economic trends. We are leveraging current market conditions to increase our exposure to mispriced stocks or to introduce new names that previously didn't meet our valuation criteria. We continue to stress-test each of our assumptions and are committed to enhancing the quality of our portfolio, actively seeking opportunities that offer a 3:1 risk-reward profile. We look forward to seeing the clarity reporting season brings, as it will allow us to identify emerging trends and better position the portfolio for FY26.

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