

Monash Absolute Investment Company Limited

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Monash Absolute Investment Company Limited (ASX Code: MA1)

Webinar Presentation

Post Reporting Season Update from Monash Investors

We look forward to you joining us today for our post reporting season investment update webinar presented by Monash Investors.

A copy of the presentation is attached.

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During the webinar, Simon Shields from Monash Investors will discuss the following:

- Key holdings within the portfolio and how they performed during reporting season
- An overview of major changes within the portfolio
- Commentary on recent investment performance and outlook
- Provide an update on the proposal to restructure the Company into an ETMF
- An opportunity for Q&A

Date: Thursday 3rd September 2020

Time: 11am (NSW, ACT, VIC, TAS, QLD)
10.30am (SA, NT)
9.00am (WA)

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Monash Investors

The Monash Absolute Investment Fund (MAIF)
The Monash Absolute Investment Company Ltd (MA1)

September 2020



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7. Q & A



Presenters



Simon Shields CFA, B.Comm (Hons), LLB, MBA

- One of Australia's leading fund managers
 - Former Head of Equities at UBS Asset Management and Colonial First State
- Member of / led multi-award winning equity teams across different investment styles
 - Monash Investors 8 years – Style Agnostic
 - UBS 5 years – DCF Style
 - Colonial First State 9 years – Growth Style
 - Rothschild/Westpac 9 years – Value Style



Shane Fitzgerald B.Comm (Hons)

- Highly rated equity analyst
 - 26 years an equity analyst, including
 - 14 years sell side experience
 - Former Head of JPMorgan Insurance and Diversified Financial Research
 - Former member of the multi award winning JPMorgan Research Team
- Broad experience
 - “Sell side” 14 years JPMorgan
 - “Buy side” 4 years UBS
 - 8 years Monash Investors



About Monash Investors

- Founded in 2012
- Portfolio managers own the firm and have large holdings in the strategy
- Absolute return focus: benchmark unaware – style & stock size agnostic
- Provides an investment strategy that investors can't implement for themselves
 - Differentiated investment philosophy
 - Proprietary fundamental stock research
 - Sophisticated DCF modelling
 - Long and Short
 - Highly Active
- Two ways to invest
 - Monash Absolute Investment Fund, APIR: MON0001AU
 - Monash Absolute Investment Company, ASX: MA1



Monash Absolute Investment Fund (Managed Fund)

Strong absolute and relative track record

Returns (After Fees) to 31 August 2020



	Monash Fund	Average Cash Held	Peer Rank Prior Month	ASX200	Small Ords
1 Month	10.0%	8%		2.8%	7.2%
3 Months	8.5%	10%	3 / 15	6.0%	6.6%
1 Year	14.3%	15%	3 / 15	-5.1%	2.1%
2 Years pa	14.0%	15%	1 / 15	1.7%	1.5%
3 Years pa	13.6%	18%	1 / 15	6.1%	8.0%
5 Years pa	7.7%	20%	3 / 13	7.5%	10.5%
7 Years pa	8.9%	19%	3 / 12	6.8%	6.9%
MAIF Inception pa <small>From 2 July 2012</small>	10.8%	21%		9.5%	6.8%

Sources

MAIF : Monthly Performance Report & Unit Prices www.monashinvestors.com MA1: Announcements www.asx.com.au
 ASX Indices: S&P Dow Jones Indices Peers: Winston Capital - Comparable Absolute Return Funds



Monash Absolute Investment Company (ASX : MA1) returns have rebounded after the initial drawdown post IPO

Returns (After Fees) to 31 August 2020



	Monash Company NTA	MA1 Share Price	ASX200	Small Ords
1 Month	10.3%	10.8%	2.8%	7.2%
3 Months	6.5%	3.4%	6.0%	6.6%
1 Year	12.9%	13.1%	-5.1%	2.1%
2 Years pa	12.2%	15.4%	1.7%	1.5%
3 Years pa	12.8%	13.0%	6.1%	8.0%
MA1 Inception pa From 12 April 2016	6.6%	2.4%	9.0%	9.5%

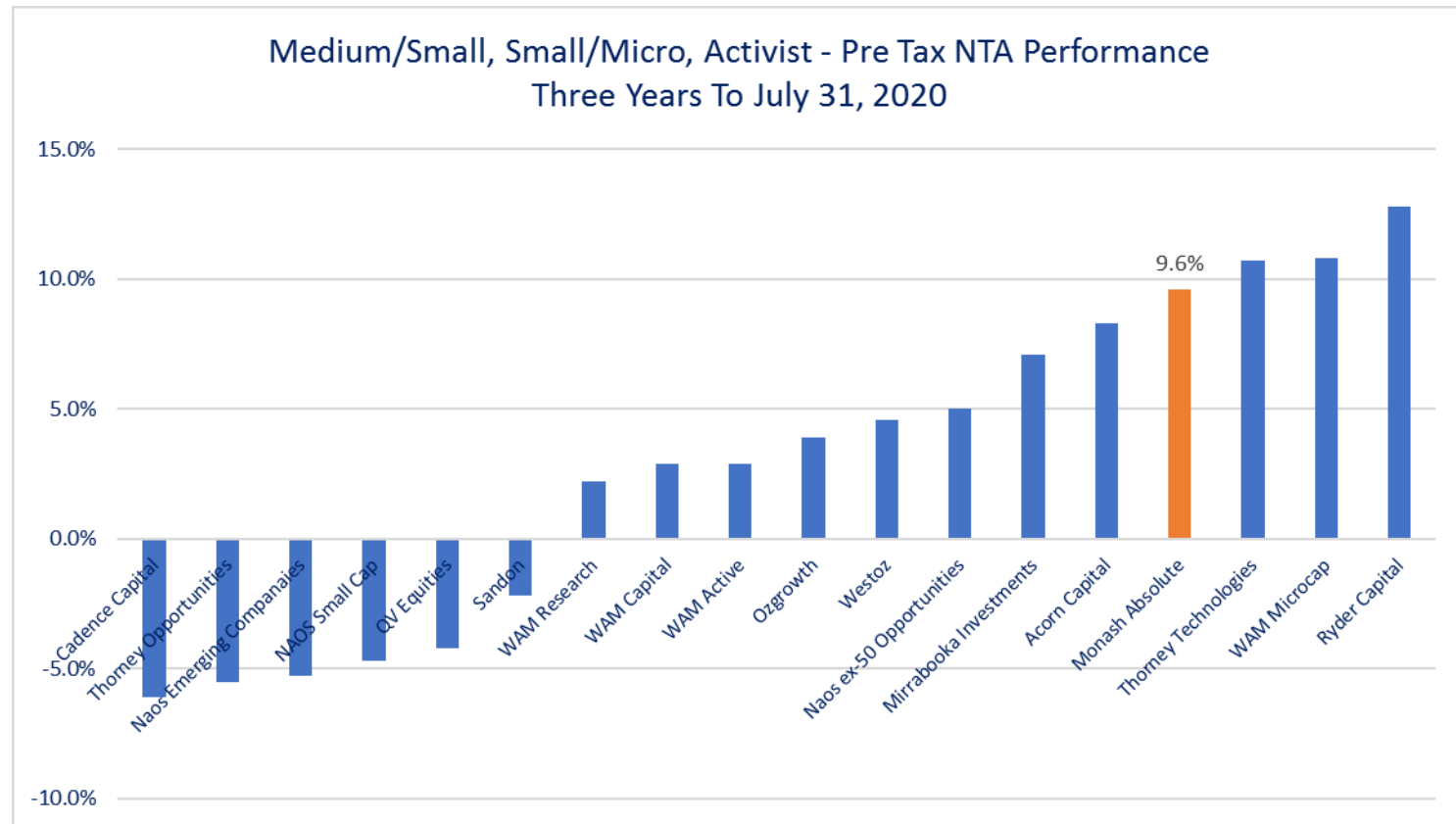
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LIC Comparison to 31 July 2020



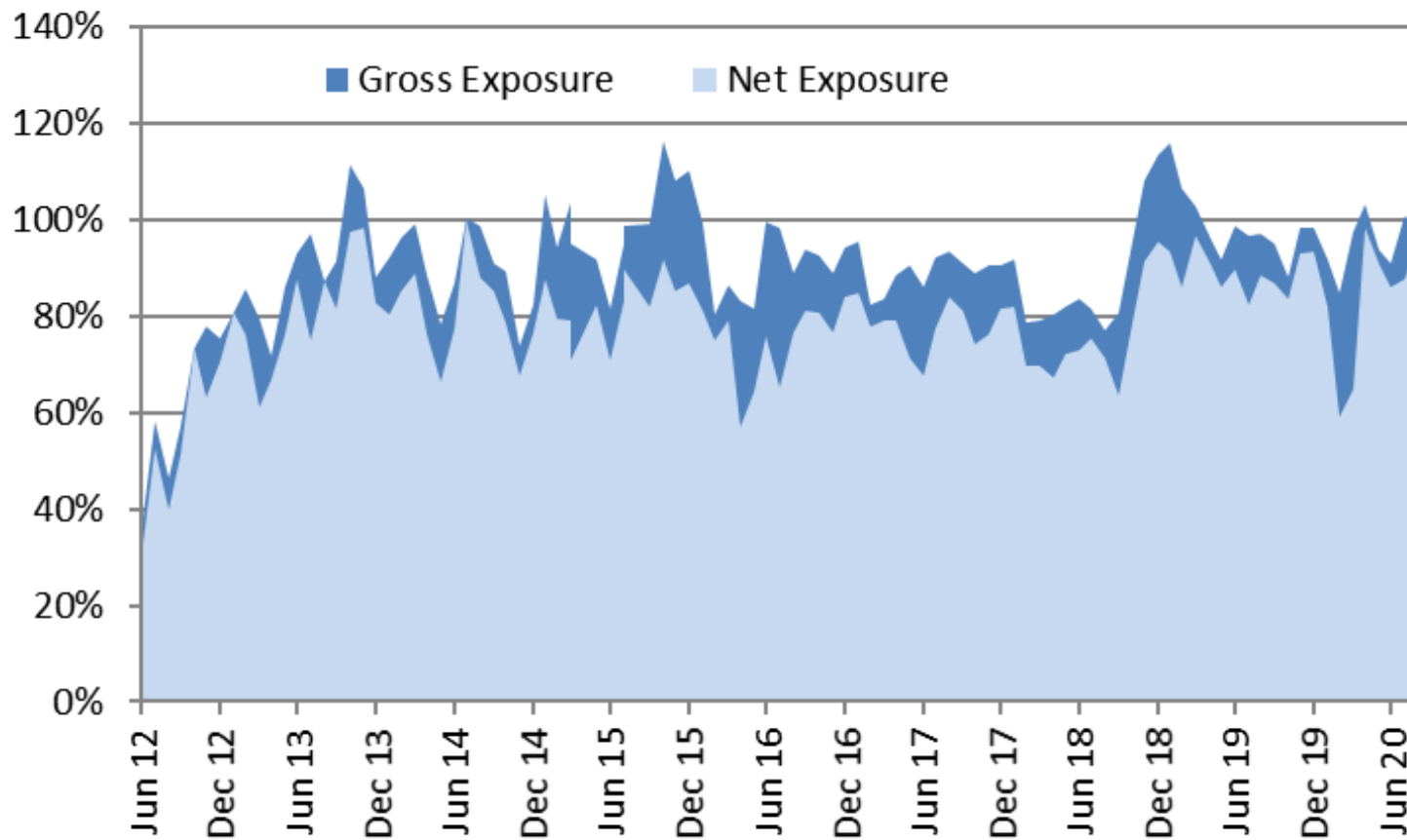
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Bell Potter LIC Weekly Report, Monash Investors



Returns not generated through leverage

Gross/Net Exposure



Top Holdings and Reporting Season Ranked by Weight

Top Holdings 29 February 2020	Top Holdings 31 August 2020	Business Description	Result Announcement	August Return
Service Stream	People Infrastructure	Workforce Management and Staffing	Beat	43%
People Infrastructure	Electro Optic Systems	Laser Tracking Applications	In Line	1%
EML Payments	Citadel Group	Software and Managed Services	In Line	23%
Electro Optic Systems	Kogan.com	On-Line Retailing	In Line	25%
Healthia	Nearmap	Aerial Mapping	In Line	35%
Afterpay Touch	Jumbo Interactive	Lotteries	Beat	0%
Retail Food Group	Healthia	Physiotherapy and Podiatry	In Line	6%
Telix	Credit Corp	Debt Collection	In Line	0%
Lovisa	Lovisa	Jewelry Retailing	In Line	19%

A number of stocks upgraded guidance prior to their result announcements

- Hence some strong monthly stock returns despite their results only being in line
- While Jumbo beat expectations, its August return was impacted by a contract renewal



Recent Portfolio Activity

Sales

- Selling outperformers
 - Trimmed our largest holdings following price strength
 - Reduced Afterpay holding by 1/3 above \$90 per share
- Reducing/Exiting due to signpost miss
 - Exited Service Stream following result and NBN contract renewal
 - Nearmap sales team contribution ratio disappointed, reduced holding by 1/3
- Shorted Freedom Foods due to management exodus
 - Stock subsequently ASX suspended, accounting investigation underway

Purchases

- Added stocks with high expected payoffs
 - Kogan due to confidence in sustainable high revenue and profit growth
 - Credit Corp in share price weakness due to write-downs that will be recovered
 - Citadel Group with strong sales pipeline and growth outlook
- Covered stocks previously shorted
 - Corporate Travel
 - Treasury Wine Estates



Portfolio snapshot as at 31 August 2020

Type	# of Positions	Weight MAIF	Weight MA1
Outlook Stocks – Long	20	85%	86%
Outlook Stocks - Short	0	0%	0%
Event, Pair and Group Trades - Long	3	12%	11%
Event, Pair and Group Trades - Short	1	-2%	-2%
Cash	N/A	4%	4%
Total	24	100%	100%
Gross Exposure		99%	99%
Net Exposure		96%	96%



MA1 Restructure

Our objectives are simple

1. Continue to provide access to our strategy
 - that is unique, and
 - has an excellent track record
2. Do so without the persistent discount to NTA
3. Make it easy to buy/sell additional units
4. Provide regular income to investors

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MA1 Restructure

- The new fund has been established
 - The Monash Absolute Active Trust (MAAT)
- The responsible entity has been appointed
 - The Trust Company (RE Services) Limited, a member of the Perpetual Group
- An in-principle application to the ASX has been made
 - For admission as an ETMF
 - Required documentation is being finalised
- Key agreements have been negotiated
 - Market making agent – Prime broker – Administrator
- A new feature has been added
 - Investors will be able to apply/redeem units directly from MAAT
 - In addition to being able to purchase/sell units on market
- Investors will be able to acquire units in MAAT following issue of PDS
 - Expected later this calendar year
 - Potential investors should consider the Product Disclosure Statement before investing
- A detailed timetable will be provided with the Notice of Meeting
 - Restructure is planned to complete early in 2021



Questions

- Q & A with Simon Shields and Shane Fitzgerald



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