

ALC Active Australian Equities Fund Monthly Report - October 2025

| Returns | 1 Month | 3 Months | 6 Months | 1 Year | 2 Year | 3 Years p.a. | 5 years p.a. | Since inception p.a.* |
|--|---------|----------|----------|--------|---------|--------------|--------------|-----------------------|
| ALC Active Australian Equities Fund | -4.30% | 37.69% | 42.56% | 39.97% | 7.07% | | | 5.28% |
| Strategy | | | | | | 19.57% | 22.45% | 18.86% |
| ASX 200 | 0.39% | 2.70% | 11.09% | 12.46% | 18.51% | 13.08% | 12.64% | 12.14% / 10.95% |
| Out (Under) Performance Fund | -4.69% | 34.99% | 31.48% | 27.51% | -11.45% | | | -6.86% |
| Out (Under) Performance Strategy | | | | | | 6.49% | 9.81% | 7.92% |

Performance is reported net of all fees. Returns greater than one year are annualized. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future returns.

*The inception date of the ALC Active Australian Equities Fund is 27/07/2023 and inception date of the Strategy is 31/12/2018.

Month in review

The portfolio lost 4.30% over a particularly volatile month. A strong market rotation saw Value (+2.1%) outperform Growth (-1.9%) with Technology (-7%) the key laggard. Materials (+4.1%) outperformed, as gold stocks rallied as much as +13% by mid-October before giving up all their gains to end the month flat.

Despite notable dispersion across sectors, stocks, and factors, the ASX 200 (+0.4%) closed the month largely unchanged. Global equities saw broader gains, with the MSCI World Index rising +2.8% and the S&P 500 advancing +2.3%, with IT adding +6.2% for the month.

Key contributors & detractors

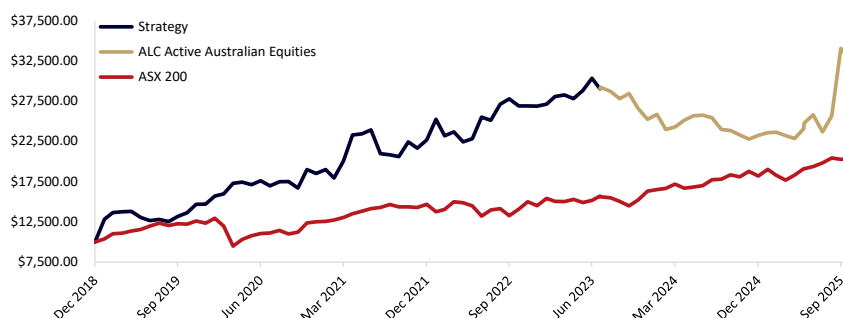
Our long position in platform provider, HUB, outperformed off the back of a strong quarterly update showing continued market share gains as competitors grapple with Shield/First Guardian fallout. Our short position in rare-earth producer, LYC, was a notable positive contributor to performance as we saw valuation having run far ahead of fundamentals, catalysed by the negative shift in sentiment due to China suspending previously planned export controls in rare earths.

News of takeovers of AUB and DMP saw our short positions in both stocks drag on performance. Although only the AUB bid was confirmed, we covered both positions as despite share price gains, current valuations imply meaningful remaining upside to potential deal terms.

Outlook and Positioning

We expect market volatility to persist amid ongoing geopolitical tensions and emerging signs of stress in U.S. financial markets. We remain net long commodities and high-quality, cash-generative businesses while short stocks where valuations are excessive/elevated inflation and stronger-than-expected demand against economic uncertainty.

ALC Active Australian Equities Fund
Growth of \$10,000



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Fund Facts

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| APIR | ETL2310AU |
| ARSN | 668 391 302. |
| Fund Inception | 27/07/2023 |
| Strategy inception | 2/01/2019 |
| Management Fee | 2.21% |
| Performance Fee | 20% over performance benchmark |
| Spread | 0.20% |
| Portfolio manager | Julian Scott |

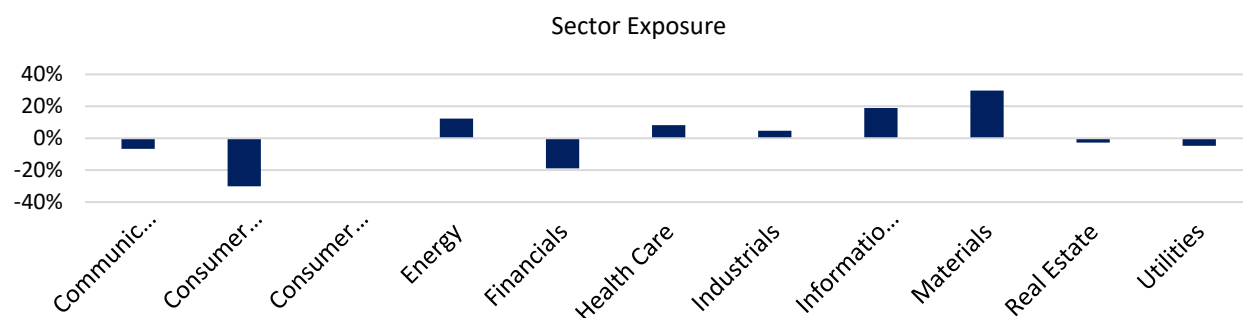
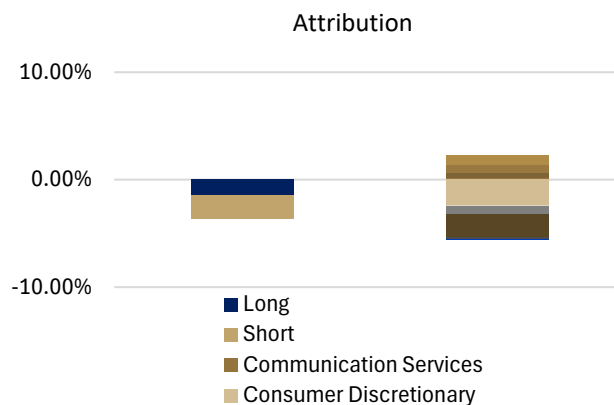
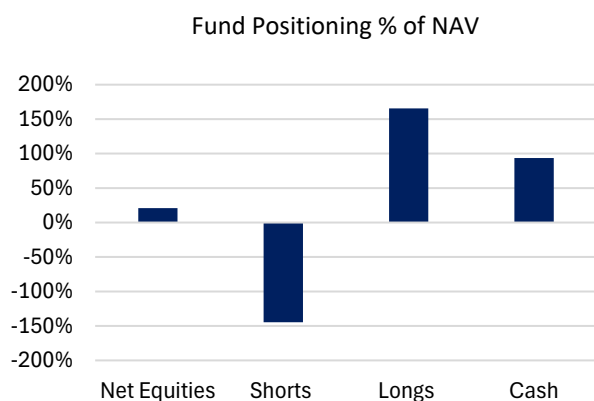
Portfolio Characteristics

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| Long (%) | 160% |
| Short (%) | -140% |
| Net (%) | 20% |
| Number of Longs | 64 |
| Number of Shorts | 44 |
| Weights avg Market Cap | \$407 mio |

Portfolio Statistics

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| Beta ¹ | 0.003 |
| Volatility ¹ | 26.87% |
| Sharpe Ratio ¹ | 2.42 |
| Upside Capture ¹ | 81% |
| Downside Capture ¹ | -130% |

¹ Portfolio statistics shown from daily performance since 1 March 2025.



Fund Strategy

The ALC Active Australian Equities Fund invests in ASX-listed companies using a research-led process that begins with idea flow from industry networks, corporate access, and market research. Ideas are tested via fundamental and technical analysis—assessing valuation, catalysts, macro settings, and liquidity—to inform sizing and timing. The portfolio is actively managed and continuously monitored, with positions adjusted as conviction and market conditions evolve.

Meet the Manager



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Julian Scott is a seasoned investment professional with over 25 years of global trading experience across asset classes. He has managed portfolios across Asia-Pacific, with a focus on fundamental long/short trading, relative value and liquidity. Previously, Julian held senior trading roles at Goldman Sachs, Morgan Stanley, UBS, various long/short trading strategies.



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