Aspiring Fund

The Aspiring Fund is a PIE fund managed by Aspiring Asset Management Ltd which has 5 principals, Murray Doyle, Campbell Stuart, Lance Reynolds, Peter Wright and David Lane. It invests predominantly in Australasian equities, an area where the team have a collective 150 years of experience. The Fund has a broad mandate with a focus on positive absolute returns and capital preservation. This bias towards capital preservation has seen the breadth of mandate used to invest in a range of other securities such as cash, corporate credit instruments, futures, currency hedges and options.

Fund Type

Portfolio investment entity (PIE)

Inception

1 February 2006

Minimum Investment

\$100,000.00

Applications and Redemptions

Processed monthly on the last business day of each month

Manager & Issuer

Aspiring Asset

Management Limited

Fund's Size

\$519.8 Million (approximately)

Management Fee

1% p.a. of the gross asset value of the fund plus GST

Performance Fee

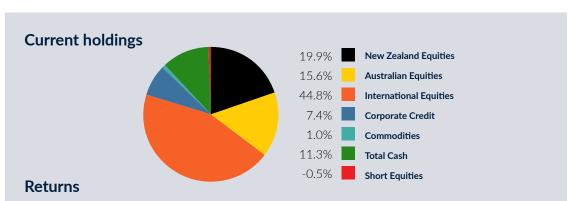
10% of excess performance over 90 day bank bill rate

Performance

The value of this mandate flexibility is evident in the Fund's performance. The following table shows annualised returns with the Aspiring Fund's returns after all fees (and taxes for the pre-PIE period).



Comparisons between the unit price performance of the Aspiring Fund and Australian and New Zealand market indices prior to the introduction of the "PIE" regime are not particularly valid. In that period the Fund paid full tax on all capital gains whereas the indices' performance is without any allowance for tax. That the unit price of the Fund matched the performance of the New Zealand index in a rising market prior to the introduction of the PIE regime suggests a level of out performance not picked up by the graph.



Period ending 31/12/2023	Aspiring Fund	NZ50G	All Ords Accumulation Index (Rebased in \$NZ)
Last 6 Months	2.8%	-1.2%	7.1%
Last 12 Months	14.4%	2.6%	13.5%
Last 3 Years	6.5%	-3.5%	9.1%
Last 5 Years	10.4%	6.0%	11.2%
Since inception* 01/02/2006	10.5%	7.3%	6.9%

Aspiring Fund returns except for the 6 month return are annualised after all expenses. The index returns are not adjusted for any additional tax costs. $^{\circ}$ From 1/2/2006 - 1/10/2007 the Aspiring Fund paid tax on capital gains.



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The Fund invests on a completely index-unaware basis, as the mandate implies. However, the principals monitor performance relative to the New Zealand and Australian sharemarket indices to ensure value is being added over the long term.

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Product Disclosure Statement

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Value has been added over the years by:

- Active asset allocation.
- Good stock selection, both in what has been owned and avoided.
- Trading. Some view the illiquidity of the New Zealand market as a risk, we acknowledge it exists but seek to actively benefit from it.
- Speedy decision making.

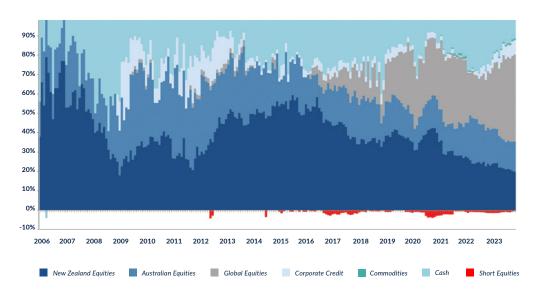
The Fund has top quality service providers:

- Custodian Public Trust
- Supervisor New Zealand Guardian Trust
- **Auditor** Ernst and Young
- Administration Manager MMC Limited

The Fund processes applications and redemptions at the end of every month when it also publishes the new unit price and a newsletter. Further information, including an archive of those newsletters, is available on the Fund's website www.aaml.co.nz.

Investors and advisers are welcome to contact any of the Fund's principals at any time via email or phone.

Asset allocation overtime



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