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**AC Managed Equity Portfolio**

**September 2021 Quarterly Review**

## Portfolio Performance

The AC Managed Equity Portfolio returned -2.69% compared to the benchmark S&P/ASX 200 (TR) return of 1.71% giving a relative performance of -4.40% for the period.

## Performance to 30 September 2021

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| Return % | One Month | Three Month | Six Month | One Year | Three Year | Since Inception (29/10/2013) |
| Portfolio | -4.89 | -2.69 | 0.72 | 18.82 | 14.68 | 12.58 |
| Benchmark | -1.85 | 1.71 | 10.14 | 30.56 | 9.64 | 8.25 |
| **Relative Performance** | **-3.04** | **-4.40** | **-9.42** | **-11.74** | **5.04** | **4.33** |

The table above sets out the investment performance returns (AFTER investment management fees, but BEFORE administration fees, performance based fees and taxes) for the Portfolio. The performance returns have been calculated on a daily basis taking into account brokerage costs, and are accumulated for the period shown. Returns are shown as annualised if the period is over 1 year, or as total returns otherwise.

## Quarterly Review

We were again wrong-footed for most of the quarter, our defensive golds did not help and the correction did not occur. We continued with this strategy of holding defensives and golds. Some other fund managers, like Magellan, seem to share in our view of irrational exuberance persisting to dominate markets, despite rising inflationary pressures, and political tensions, and its interesting their share price also fell. We topped up on Magellan which over the years has been a great performer.

## Top 5 stocks by weight as at 30 September 2021

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| **Company Name** | **Sector** |
| BELLEVUE GOLD LTD ORDINARY | Materials |
| WESTPAC BANKING CORP ORDINARY | Financials |
| WAM GLOBAL LIMITED ORDINARY | Unidentified |
| MACQUARIE GROUP LTD ORDINARY | Financials |
| MAGELLAN FIN GRP LTD ORDINARY | Financials |

## Market Outlook

If we are going to get a correction, it should be before December. But its looking like markets will continue to focus on the quite reasonable earnings growth, and an eventual return to normality as covid vaccinations rise, and the virus mutates itself into more infectious but more harmless variants, as is the nature of viruses. Will Bitcoin and other cryptos peak now that the launch of an ETF in the USA has given tacit support? It won’t be the first time that exchanges have embraced a concept to make money for its participants, at the expense of retail punters who are unaware the concept itself is doomed to failure.

We are going to hear more about value versus growth/tech in coming months.

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