

JUNE 2026 - PORTFOLIO UPDATE

June saw Iran war concerns fade, sparking an unwind of crisis positioning. The MOU sent oil down -20%, despite the lack of real progress on several key issues. The Australian market (XKOAI) rose a sedate +0.7%. By contrast, the US S&P500 fell -1.1% and NASDAQ -2.8%. The Chinese market (MSCI) was down -6.9%, whilst Japan jumped +5.6%.

Money abruptly rotated from the Magnificent Seven / hyperscalers, (Microsoft -17%, Amazon -12%) into their semiconductor suppliers instead (TSMC +14%, AMD+13%). Korea's chip-heavy market was extreme, up a startling +175% over 12 months given the moves in Samsung +458% and SK Hynix +807%.

Bond yields eased both here and in the US as the fading oil shock eased inflation expectations. The Australian dollar reversed hard, dropping -4%, slipping back to \$0.69. Small cap stocks (-2.0%) lagged the broader market and mid-caps (+1.4%) did better than large caps (+0.8%).

The Australian market closed out FY26 with a +6.1% return — a year driven by earnings growth rather than multiple expansion, which was actually a headwind as bond yields rose.

The Quest portfolio returned +2.5% for June, ahead of the Ex-20 benchmark +0.1%. The portfolio has performed well recently after a tough start to the year. The quarterly return is +9.6% versus the benchmark +4.5%.

Locally, the standout sectors were Health and Staples, each up +13%, as investors piled back into beaten-up defensives. Discretionary +12% also bounced on a perception the RBA tightening cycle may be over. Energy fell -9% and Materials -7% as the Iran premium came out of oil and gold slid -12%.

The portfolio benefited from a broad collection of good performers. Megaport +44%, Life360 +38%, Dicker Data +21% and Siteminder +17% did well in data and tech, Pro Medicus +54% and Ramsay Health Care +19% were strong healthcare names. Challenger +13% and Pinnacle Investment Management +11% contributed from financials whilst Breville +11%, SRG Global +22% and Block +11% also did well. We also benefited from not owing many of the larger miners.

Detractors included lithium miners PLS Group -22% and Core Lithium -15% along with gold miners Genesis Minerals -11% and Capricorn Metals -10%. Propel Funeral Partners -14% also continued to drag.

Sentiment indicators are flashing caution with crowded market positioning. We continue to adjust the portfolio to manage risk. Exits in Xero and SRG Global plus profits taken in strong recent performers were rotated into Stockland and small positions in Nick Scali and new IPO FDC, which is due to list next month. Cash sits at 5.3%.

PORTFOLIO FEATURES

Fund Name	Quest X20 Australian Equities Fund
Inception	19 October 2021
Benchmark	S&P/ASX300 ex 20 Index
No. of holdings	20 - 40
Typical cash weight	3 - 10%
Investment horizon	3 - 5 years
Portfolio Manager	Troy Cairns/ Swapan Pandya
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HOW TO INVEST

Invest directly - click [here](#) for the PDS.

Also available on HUB24 Platform, Netwealth (Private Menu), Xplore Wealth, PowerWrap, Mason Stevens

RESEARCH RATINGS

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DRIVERS OF PERFORMANCE

POSITIVE

Megaport, Ramsay Healthcare, Life360, Dicker Data, Pro Medicus, SRG Global, Challenger, Breville, Block Inc., Pinnacle Inv. Mgmt

NEGATIVE

Propel Funerals, Capricorn Metals, Genesis Metals, PLS Group, Core Lithium, Ampol

CURRENT PORTFOLIO

Total holdings	38
Non-benchmark holdings	5
Tracking error	5.34%
Active share	74.5%
Earnings growth (1yr fwd)**	21.2% pa
ROE**	22.9%
Beta**	0.95
P/E (1yr fwd)**	22.6x
Dividend yield (1yr fwd)**	2.7%

Source: Bloomberg (*outliers excluded)

PERFORMANCE*

To 30 June 2026	1month	3months	6months	1yr	3yrs (p.a)	Inception* (pa)
Quest X20 Aust Equities Fund	+2.5%	+9.6%	-9.3%	-1.2%	+4.2%	+0.9%
ASX300 Acc. ex ASX20 index	+0.1%	+4.5%	-6.1%	-0.1%	+7.7%	+4.6%
Value added	+2.4%	+5.1%	-3.2%	-1.2%	-3.5%	-3.7%

* Inception 19 October 2021. Fund performance and value added is net of all fees. **Past performance is no guarantee of future performance.** Returns for periods 1year or greater are calculated on an annualised basis.



INVESTMENT PROFILE

The Quest X20 Portfolio is a Unit Trust, actively managed by Quest Asset Partners. The Portfolio comprises between 20 and 40 securities and aims to outperform the S&P/ASX 300 index excluding the 20 largest companies. This Unit Trust is managed in the same way as the Quest Ex-20 SMA (Separately Managed Account) which was established in January 2017. Performance for the Quest Ex-20 SMA is available on request.

The Portfolio will have significant exposure to mid and small-capitalised stocks benefiting from our proven investment process and experience with smaller companies.

The assessment of business quality is fundamental to the Quest investment process. We aim to identify companies that can deliver good returns on invested capital and sustain those returns through time. Quest has a long track record of investment performance leveraging this process.

The portfolio will typically have a bias to companies with growth characteristics (revenue, earnings and return on equity) and can be expected to have significant exposure to companies not in the benchmark. Both these exposures will vary through time as opportunities arise.

Portfolio risk is actively managed with a focus on capital preservation.

PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS*

LARGE CAP

ALS	Block Inc.
Infratil	Ramsay Healthcare

MID CAP

Breville	Challenger
Megaport	Ventia Service

SMALL CAP

Dicker Data	HomeCo Daily Needs REIT
Maas Group	Siteminder

* Not complete list

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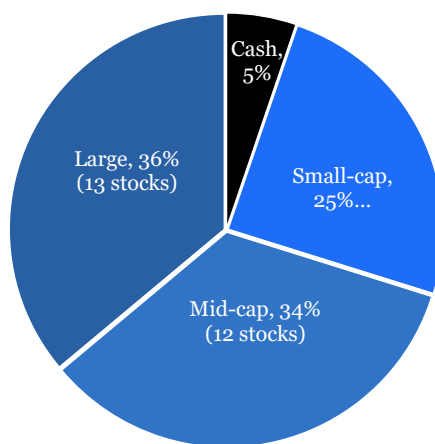
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