

## INTERNATIONAL EQUITY FUND

## Monthly Report February 2024

#### FEBRUARY COMMENTARY

The Fund made 6.2% in February and has returned 55.9% since inception (8.8% annualised vs 13.4% (VGS)). The breakdown of the Funds return between the different strategies was as follows:-

Hedge Fund Clone strategy +1.4%
Global Asset Allocation strategy +1.5%
US Sector strategy +2.4%
AUDUSD Movement +0.9%
Net Movement +6.2%

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Full Year
2018	-	-	-	-	*	-	-	-	-	-	-1.72%	-2.49%	-4.17%
2019	3.85%	4.98%	0.90%	4.13%	-3.32%	2.78%	1.63%	-1.42%	-2.02%	0.47%	7.89%	0.11%	21.26%
2020	6.20%	-3.90%	-3.05%	8.95%	5.92%	2.44%	3.47%	6.06%	-1.92%	-2.37%	3.35%	-1.33%	25.30%
2021	-1.11%	1.72%	-0.78%	4.01%	-1.86%	9.98%	2.02%	3.46%	-3.13%	3.13%	1.88%	-5.51%	13.70%
2022	-10.95%	-11.26%	-1.20%	-6.81%	0.43%	-2.23%	1.93%	0.84%	-1.50%	4.04%	-1.47%	-3.10%	-28.10%
2023	0.66%	1.58%	1.69%	2.09%	1.53%	2.44%	2.58%	1.94%	-3.48%	-0.20%	4.14%	2.02%	18.20%
2024	4.41%	6.22%											10.90%

A strong performance from all our strategies together with a small tailwind from the AUDUSD movement gave us our strongest month since inception of the new diversified portfolio. THE S&P 500 was up 5.2%, and the Australian market was up 0.9%.

#### **Hedge Fund Clone strategy (20% of portfolio)**

This strategy invests in stocks favoured by the World's leading Hedge Funds.

The clone strategy was our strongest strategy this month, adding 1.4% to the portfolio. NVDA is the gift that keeps on giving, up 28.5% in February after being up 24% in January. After these 2 strong months we have trimmed our exposure back to bring it back into line with our other stocks. TSLA has been dropped from the portfolio due to weak performance – The portfolio is invested in 19 out of a possible 20 stocks.

### Global Asset Allocation strategy (40% of portfolio)

This system invests in the 3 strongest Global Asset classes.

February saw decent returns from all 3 asset classes, with the strongest being the S&P 500 up 5.2%, and the weakest being Real Estate up 2.1%.

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### US Sector strategy (40% of portfolio)

This strategy invests in the 3 strongest sectors of the US market.

A strong performance from the Consumer Discretionary (+7.9%) led to a good result for the Sector strategy in February, almost as strong as the Hedge Fund strategy.

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#### **Theoretical Portfolio**

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Full Year
2018											-3.18%	-1.91%	-5.41%
2019	2.94%	4.31%	2.31%	2.03%	-1.61%	1.84%	3.02%	2.54%	0.73%	-0.86%	3.93%	-1.09%	21.80%
2020	5.12%	-3.73%	1.05%	1.33%	1.98%	-1.02%	2.94%	2.18%	-1.03%	-0.75%	2.59%	0.01%	10.90%
2021	1.13%	2.61%	2.14%	3.51%	1.33%	5.96%	2.49%	2.30%	-2.06%	2.08%	1.69%	1.51%	27.40%
2022	-0.72%	-4.15%	1.96%	2.04%	0.43%	-2.23%	1.93%	0.84%	-1.50%	4.04%	-1.47%	-3.10%	-2.20%
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I am going to keep updating this table as a reminder of what our results would have looked like had we employed the current strategy from the beginning of the Fund's life. Annual return would have been 15.0% pa.

Whilst past returns are no guarantee of future results, these results are exactly what I was looking to achieve when starting the Fund – Slightly better than index returns, with less volatility and drawdown. Hindsight is a wonderful thing, and it is easy to look back and go "what if", but I do believe that we have taken the lessons doled out to us over the last few years, made the necessary adjustments, and are much stronger due to that going forward!



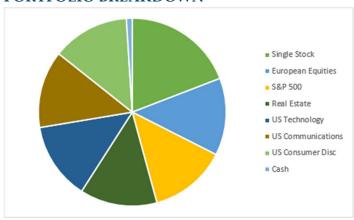
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### **FUND FACTS**

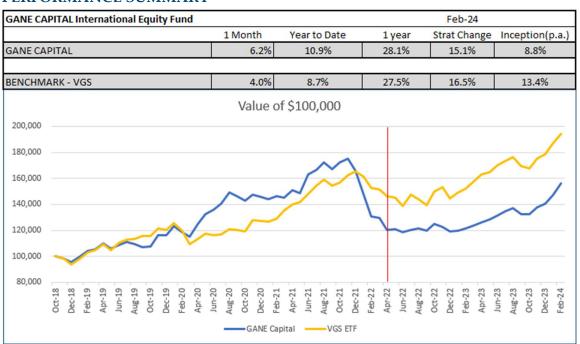
Inception	01 November 2018	Sharpe ratio	0.91*
Fund Size	4.932mm	Sortino Ratio	1.33*
Minimum Investment	AUD 50,000	Mid-Price	1.3426
Management Fee	Nil	Best Month	9.98%
Performance fee	15% of any returns above 6% pa	Worst Month	-11.26%
Other Fees	Any direct costs + 0.4% Buy/Sell spread	Website	www.ganecapital.com

<sup>\*</sup>ratios are calculated before Fees & Expenses and since May 2022 when the portfolio changed.

#### PORTFOLIO BREAKDOWN



#### PERFORMANCE SUMMARY



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