

	Month (%)	Quarter (%)	FYTD (%)	1 Year (%)	3 Years (% p.a.)	5 Years (% p.a.)	7 Years (% p.a.)	Since Inception^ (% p.a.)
Perennial Value Microcap Opportunities Trust (Net)	1.5	-1.3	1.5	7.6	-12.5	-1.4	6.9	8.2
S&P/ASX Small Ordinaries Accumulation Index	3.5	2.0	3.5	9.3	-0.6	3.5	6.6	6.7
Value Added	-2.0	-3.3	-2.0	-1.7	-11.9	-4.9	0.3	1.5

^Since inception: February 2017. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance.

Overview

The Trust was up 1.5% net of all fees compared to the Small Ordinaries Index (the benchmark) which was up 3.5%.

July was a volatile month with the Trust keeping pace with the Index until the last few hours of trading at month end when the Index bounced sharply on modestly encouraging inflation data. We have not chased the more cyclical parts of the market and the volatility shown in early August suggests some caution is still warranted.

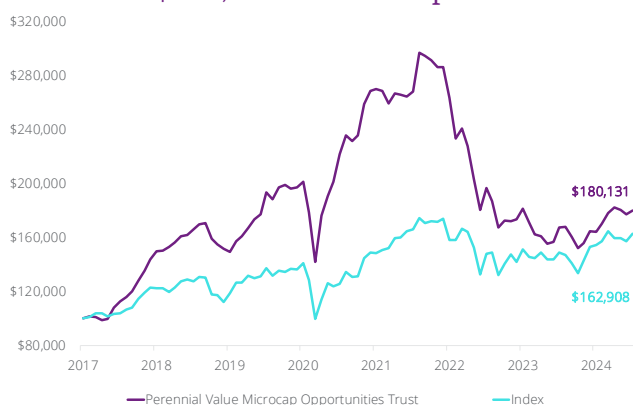
Fundamental updates from our portfolio companies during the month were encouraging, as was the continued investor interest in Microcaps – albeit this recovery is still at an early stage.

SciDev and Credit Clear delivered strong earnings results ahead of expectations and provided a clear picture of continued growth in FY25. Lark announced a significant investment from a strategic investor. This greatly enhances its capacity to fund a 3yr growth plan and continued expansion into Asia. There was also a strong quarterly update from Qoria, however this was offset by the market factoring in a lower probability of a takeover as call options from a potential buyer began to expire.

We remain comfortable with the positioning of the Trust with a superior growth forecast* when compared to the Index, strong balance sheets (80% net cash) and a low earnings multiple (12.0x PE in FY26).

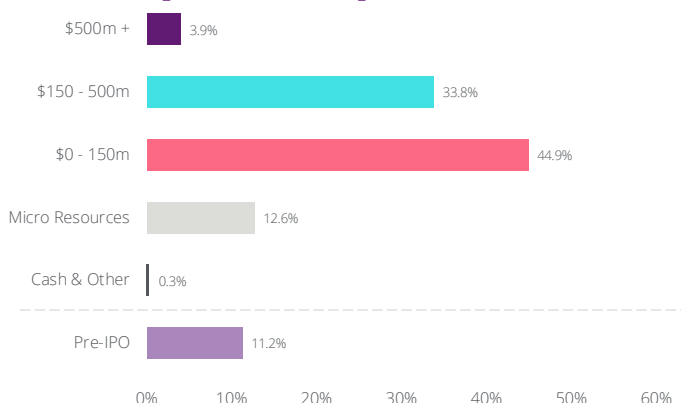
*Based on Perennial Value Management Forecasts. While due care has been used in the preparation of forecasts information, actual outcomes may vary in a materially positive or negative manner.

Growth of \$100,000 Since Inception



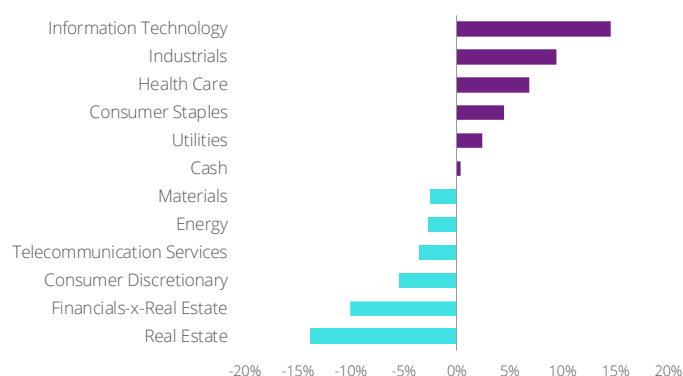
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Market Capitalisation Exposure



Please note, the above table may add to more than 100% as Pre-IPO equity positions will be double counted in the market cap breakdown

Sector Active Exposure vs Index



Portfolio Managers

Andrew Smith and Sam Berridge

APIR Code

WPC3982AU

Distribution Frequency

Annual

Minimum Initial Investment

\$25,000

Trust Inception Date

February 2017

Fees

1.20% p.a. + Performance fee

Top 5 Positions	Trust (%)	Index (%)
QORIA LTD	7.1	0.0
VEEM LTD	5.6	0.0
SCIDEV LTD	4.2	0.0
DUG TECHNOLOGY LTD	3.9	0.0
CAMPLIFY HOLDINGS LTD	3.3	0.0

Trust Review

Earnings updates from portfolio companies were encouraging during the month, highlights included:

- **SciDev** (+33.8%) delivered earnings ahead of expectations with annual revenue growth of 22% translating EBITDA growth of over 100%. The company also highlighted potential PFAS treatment opportunities in Europe and the US which may become a meaningful future growth driver for the company.
- **Synertec** (+21.1%) responded well to further detail on the pipeline for new powerhouse remote power customers. Synertec has three units currently deployed with Santos, and a pipeline of multiple new customers.
- **Credit Clear** (+19.2%) reported strong quarterly revenue growth and upgraded its FY24 EBITDA profit expectation to \$4m. The company has had considerable success signing new tier 1 customers which will lead to continued strong growth in FY25.
- **Felix** (+17.6%) reported a solid quarterly with \$0.6m added to ARR, and the company maintained guidance for a cashflow positive 1Q25.

Qoria (down 16.3%) declined despite higher-than-expected annual recurring revenue growth and confirming it is now operating cash positive on a run-rate basis. The decline reflected the market's view of a lower takeover probability as options from a potential buyer began to expire.

Investment came from Directors and strategic investors in two portfolio stocks:

- **Lark** (+10.5%) had fresh capital of \$14.5m from a strategic supplier/company director. Combined with other major shareholders (including Perennial) and other directors total capital raised was \$21.5m – putting the company into a very well funded position to execute the growth plan.
- **Cluey** (+39.8%) recovered strongly after directors provided the bulk of capital in a placement to enable the company to add other edtech businesses and to consolidate the sector. The operating quarterly from Cluey showed a path to positive cash.

Cash on balance sheet is now a large part of the market cap for both companies which could lead to further interest.

There was a strong recovery in several names hit by tax loss selling in June. Names such as **Firstwave**, **Lumos Diagnostic** and **EcoFibre** all recovered over 30%.

The Trust finished with 54 positions and cash of 0.3%.

Market Review – Australia (%)

S&P/ASX Small Ordinaries Index	3.5
Energy	-6.8
Materials	-2.6
Industrials	3.2
Consumer Discretionary	3.3
Consumer Staples	4.4
Health Care	1.1
Financials	5.4
Real Estate	3.8
Information Technology	1.5
Telecommunication Services	-0.9



Portfolio Managers: Sam Berridge (left) and Andrew Smith (right).

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