# **ALLAN GRAY EQUITY FUND**

### Fact sheet at 30 April 2005



Sector: Domestic - Equity - General

Inception Date: 1 October 1998
Fund Manager: Stephen Mildenhall

Qualification: B Com(Hons), CA(SA), CFA

The Fund aims to earn a higher total rate of return than that of the average of the South African equity market as represented by the FTSE/JSE All Share Index, including income without assuming greater risk. Risk is higher than the Balanced Fund but less than the average general equity fund due to the low risk investment style.

## Fund Details Commentary

 Price:
 6900.03 cents

 Size:
 R 6 950 075 043

 Minimum lump sum:
 R 10 000

 Minimum monthly:
 R 500

 Subsequent lump sums:
 R 500

 No. of share holdings:
 62

01/07/03-30/06/04 dividend (cpu): Total 25.79

Interest 0.65, Dividend 25.14

**Annual Management Fee:** The monthly charge rate is directly related to the rolling two-year return of the Fund compared with that of its benchmark. The limits are 0-3.42% p.a. (incl. VAT).

The Fund returned good absolute returns for the last 12 months and marginally outperformed its benchmark over the last year. The Fund however, underperformed the average general equity fund over the same period. This was mainly as a result of the Fund's higher exposure to selected South African focused resource shares which were hurt by the strong Rand. Our investment philosophy has always been based on seeking out investments that we believe will provide superior longterm returns. We are also quite willing to have portfolios that are different to that of the average manager. Three years ago when the Rand/dollar exchange rate was R10.66/dollar, we were underweight resources relative to the average manager at a time when general consensus was that the Rand would stay weak and even weaken further. Based on our bottom-up analysis, the Fund benefited significantly from its low exposure to resources and high exposure to specific industrials as the Rand returned to more normal levels. With the 30 April 2005 rate of R6.08/dollar, we notice that we are overweight resources and underweight industrials at a time when there is general consensus that the Rand will stay strong and even get stronger. We believe that the Rand is now too strong and that the Fund's resource holdings offer very attractive returns on a normalised basis. The Fund also remains overweight banking shares, which we find more attractive than many of the industrial shares which are now trading on reasonably high multiples on high earnings.

#### Top 10 Share Holdings at 31 March 2005\*

JSE Code	Company	% of portfolio
SOL	Sasol	11.05
MTN	MTN Group	9.16
SBK	Stanbank	7.97
ASA	Absa	6.77
HAR	Harmony	6.07
TBS	Tigbrands	5.09
NED	Nedcor	4.29
AMS	Angloplat	4.21
REM	Remgro	4.05
FSR	Firstrand	3.64

<sup>\*</sup> The 'Top 10 Share Holdings' table is updated quarterly.

#### Asset & Sector Allocation

Sector	% of Fund	ALSI
Resources	32.06	35.17
Basic Industries	0.26	3.24
General Industrials	0.74	3.14
Cyclical Consumer Goods	-	6.41
Non-Cyclical Consumer Goods	6.26	8.50
Cyclical Services	16.19	9.05
Non-Cyclical Services	12.54	6.69
Financials	30.09	27.28
Information Technology	2.14	0.52
Liquidity	-0.28	-

Performance (net of fees, including income, assumes reinvestment of dividends, on a NAV to NAV basis)



% Returns	Equity Fund	ALSI
Since Inception (unannualised	l) 688.3	201.3
Latest 5 years (annualised)	25.0	14.6
Latest 3 years (annualised)	22.2	8.0
Latest 1 year	24.8	24.5
Risk Measures		
(Since incep. month end price	s)	
Maximum drawdown*	-21.0	-34.4
Annualised monthly volatility	19.1	20.4

\* Maximum percentage decline over any period

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