

RIAA Certification Sustainable Plus
Lonsec Investment Grade
Ethical Advisors 4.5 Green Leaves

April Highlights

For the month, the Fund returned +6.08%, outperforming the Small Industrials Index by 3.54%. The biggest positive contributors were companies leveraged to electrification — Southern Cross Electrical, Tasma, and GenusPlus — businesses we identified early as structural beneficiaries of the energy transition. Both the Iran War and AI capex deployment drove investors to allocate to enablers of alternative energy sources. The largest detractors included Aeris Resources, Qoria, and Paragon.

Claudia Kwan, was on Ausbiz TV in a 9 minute segment: [WATCH HERE](#)

“We start with the problems and find the companies solving them. We buy businesses whose products and services are positioned to benefit from structural shifts, with catalysts to drive valuation upside in their shares.”

The portfolio entered April positioned in electrification leaders. These businesses proved resilient through the March sell-off, declining less than peers and rebounding strongly — evidence of the asymmetric earnings profiles we consistently seek. Within healthcare, NorthStar remained selective, avoiding consensus large-cap names — Cochlear, CSL, ResMed — where earnings risk has become clear.

TOP CONTRIBUTORS

Southern Cross Electrical Engineering (SXE)

Grid upgrades & data centre connections — order book expanding materially.

Tasma (TEA)

Industrial services — enabler of the energy transition, strong revenue visibility as leveraged to maintenance.

GenusPlus Group (GNP)

Grid connectivity & network services — direct beneficiary of electrical infrastructure deployment.

LARGEST DETRACTORS

Aeris Resources (AIS)

Commodity-exposed, copper prices retraced from cycle-highs.

Qoria (QOR)

Ed-tech platform impacted by cashflow model concerns and acquisition risk.

Paragon (PGC)

Care services business weighed down by risk that higher oil prices impact distribution costs.

Markets

Second-Order Effects Underappreciated

Markets have begun to look through geopolitical tensions; however, second-order effects are being underappreciated. We raised cash heading into May to reflect a more complex backdrop — where inflation, growth and earnings expectations have downside risks.

AI-Driven Capex Cycle

The dominant force remains the AI-driven capex cycle, particularly in the US. This is structural, not cyclical. The scale of investment required to support AI, data centres and electrification is materially larger than current market expectations. Valuations are catching up to share prices; however Australia is behind the US in infrastructure build out, a trend we believe will continue for some years.

Geopolitical Fragmentation

Geopolitical fragmentation is simultaneously accelerating the push toward energy and industrial sovereignty — creating durable, policy-backed demand.

Stock Picker's Market

This environment creates material dispersion in earnings outcomes even as headline indices remain stable. It is a stock picker's market — and that is precisely where we operate.

Portfolio

13%

Cash

~40%

Top 10 Positions

46

Total Holdings

During the month we trimmed some key winners and exited positions lacking near-term catalysts, raising cash to 13%. The portfolio remains highly concentrated — top 10 positions represent ~40% of the Fund. This is deliberate. We are not running a diversified index-aware portfolio. We are running a high-conviction portfolio of businesses where we have the strongest fundamental edge.

Decarbonisation across Australian industrials remains a core theme through 2030. Valuations in parts of the electrification thematic are becoming more demanding — from here, earnings delivery, not multiple expansion, will drive returns.

EXITS THIS MONTH

Nexted | Radiopharm | Environmental Group | Kip McGrath | Wisr

Stock News

Southern Cross Electrical Engineering (ASX:SXE)

Southern Cross Electrical delivered strong share price performance during April, driven by continued momentum in electrical infrastructure project delivery across Australia's east coast. Directly leveraged to the accelerating pipeline of grid upgrades and data centre connections, with its order book expanding materially. Management confirmed a healthy forward workload underpinned by non-discretionary utility and industrial capex. We see sustained earnings growth as electrification spend scales through 2030.

GenusPlus Group (ASX:GNP)

GenusPlus continued its strong run as the market began to better appreciate the durability of its grid connectivity and network services earnings. The company's exposure to transmission infrastructure expansion positions it as a direct beneficiary of both domestic energy sovereignty initiatives and the AI-driven data centre buildout. **Morgan Stanley's third upward revision to power consumption estimates — now 15% above IEA forecasts** — validates the structural demand thesis underpinning our position. We believe strong earnings profile will continue.

Tasmea (ASX:TEA)

Tasmea’s April contribution reflects the market beginning to recognise the resilience of its industrial services earnings in an environment of rising energy infrastructure spend. As an enabler of the energy transition — Tasmea’s revenue is tied to picks and shovels maintenance work in remote areas. The fund identified this disconnect between the market’s inability to identify the core competency of management, being a picks and shovel consolidator in a growing market. The valuation gap vs peers implies both earnings and valuation upside.

Monthly Portfolio Engagement Summary

During the month, we had 19 meetings with positive impact companies and other stakeholders. We continued to engage with portfolio companies to assess operational progress, strategic developments, and the advancement of impact-related initiatives across sectors. Key company discussions included understanding the capital needs, both concessional and market-rate, for several portfolio companies.

Fund Performance

	1m	3m	6m	1yr	2yr p.a	5yr p.a	Inception
Fund (Gross)	6.19%	-4.41%	-0.11%	22.01%	14.6%	2.80%	8.80%
Fund Return (Net of Fees)	6.08%	-4.74%	-0.77%	20.41%	13.07%	1.40%	6.86%
Index*	2.54%	-10.36%	-16.83%	-0.21%	1.46%	-0.23%	5.03%
Active Return (Net)	3.54%	5.62%	5.62%	20.62%	11.61%	1.63%	1.83%

Past performance is not an indicator of future performance. Source: Apex Group, NorthStar Impact.
 *Index means the S&P/ASX Small Ordinaries Industrials TR Index. Used for performance reference purposes only. The S&P/ASX All Ordinaries Accumulation Index is the hurdle rate. Total returns include realised and unrealised gains and losses plus income and are time-weighted rates of return. Inception was 31 January 2017.

Portfolio Holdings

Accurate as of 30 April 2026

TOP 5 HOLDINGS

Rank	Company
1	Southern Cross Electrical
2	Eureka
3	Mesoblast
4	Vysarn
5	Clover Corp

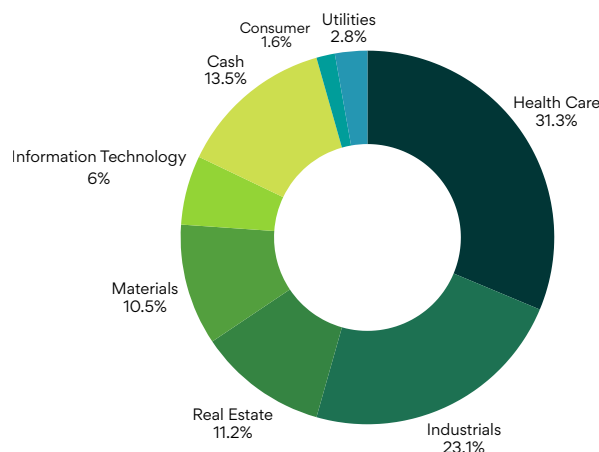
IMPACT FOCUS AREAS

Area	Weight
Environment	43.2%
Healthcare	31.3%
Communities	11.9%
Education	0.5%

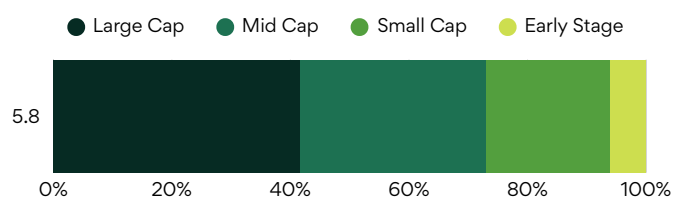
KEY FACTS

Inception	31/01/2017
Holdings	46 Stocks
Liquidity	Daily
Base Currency	Australian Dollars
Min. Investment	\$10,000
Fund Identifier	APIR: ETL6826AU
Management Fee	1.03% p.a.
Other Expenses	Up to 0.36% p.a.
Total Costs	1.39% p.a.
Performance Fee	20.50% over Benchmark
Performance Hurdle	S&P All Ord Accum Index

SECTOR ALLOCATIONS



MARKET CAP BREAKDOWN



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