# The North Country Funds Large Cap Equity Fund



Semi-Annual Report May 31, 2023

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# North Country Large Cap Equity Fund Portfolio Summary (Unaudited) May 31, 2023

Industries	% of Net Assets	Industries	% of Net Assets
Common Stock	96.0%	Beverages	1.9%
Software	14.4%	Asset Management	1.7%
Technology Hardware	9.1%	Household Products	1.7%
Medical Equipment & Devices	6.2%	Chemicals	1.7%
Biotech & Pharma	5.3%	Diversified Industrials	1.5%
Internet Media & Services	5.1%	Leisure Facilities & Services	1.4%
Banking	3.8%	Home Construction	1.2%
Retail - Consumer Staples	3.5%	Electric Utilities	1.1%
Retail - Discretionary	3.4%	Machinery	1.0%
Semiconductors	3.2%	Wholesale - Consumer Staples	1.0%
E-Commerce Discretionary	3.1%	Data Center REIT	0.9%
Institutional Financial Services	3.1%	Apparel & Textile Products	0.7%
Technology Services	2.6%	Specialty Finance	0.6%
Insurance	2.4%	Self-Storage REIT	0.4%
Health Care Facilities & Services	2.3%	Infrastructure REIT	0.3%
Transportation & Logistics	2.3%	Telecommunications	0.3%
Commercial Support Services	2.3%	Construction Materials	0.2%
Oil & Gas Producers	2.2%	Money Market Funds	4.2%
Electrical Equipment	2.1%	Liabilities in Excess of Other Assets	(0.2%)
Entertainment Content	2.0%	Total Net Assets	100.0%

Top Ten Holdings	% of Net Assets	Top Ten Holdings	% of Net Assets
Apple, Inc.	7.9%	Visa, Inc.	2.6%
Microsoft Corporation	7.7%	Berkshire Hathaway, Inc.	2.4%
Adobe, Inc.	3.3%	UnitedHealth Group, Inc.	2.3%
Amazon.com, Inc.	3.1%	Thermo Fisher Scientific, Inc.	2.3%
Alphabet, Inc.	3.0%	JPMorgan Chase & Company	2.3%

# NORTH COUNTRY LARGE CAP EQUITY FUND SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS (Unaudited)

May 31, 2023

Shares		Fair Value	Shares		Fair Value
COMMO	ON STOCKS — 96.0%		ELECTE	RIC UTILITIES - 1.1%	
APPARE	L & TEXTILE PRODUCTS - 0.7	′%		Dominion Energy, Inc.	\$ 402,240
	NIKE, Inc., Class B	\$ 894,710		NextEra Energy, Inc.	404,030
	IANAGEMENT - 1.7%	<del>+                                    </del>	9,150	Southern Company (The)	638,213
	BlackRock, Inc.	2,202,793			1,444,483
-		2,202,773	ELECTE	RICAL EQUIPMENT - 2.1%	
	IG - 3.8%	1 001 /05	35,000	Amphenol Corporation, Class A	2,640,750
	Bank of America Corporation	1,931,405	ENTERT	TAINMENT CONTENT - 2.0%	
21,/00	JPMorgan Chase & Company	2,944,907		Activision Blizzard, Inc. (a)	1,403,500
		4,876,312		Walt Disney Company (The)(a)	1,139,082
	GES - 1.9%			, , ,	2,542,582
13,200	PepsiCo, Inc.	2,407,020	HFAITE	H CARE FACILITIES & SERVICI	FS - 2 3%
BIOTEC	H & PHARMA - 5.3%			UnitedHealth Group, Inc.	2,972,164
10,200	Amgen, Inc.	2,250,630		1	2,7/2,101
	Eli Lilly and Company	257,676		CONSTRUCTION - 1.2%	1.50/.560
	Johnson & Johnson	2,558,490		Masco Corporation	1,594,560
44,500	Pfizer, Inc.	1,691,890		HOLD PRODUCTS - 1.7%	
		6,758,686	15,400	Procter & Gamble Company (The)	2,194,500
CHEMIC	CALS - 1.7%		<b>INFRAS</b>	TRUCTURE REIT - 0.3%	
2,700	Air Products and Chemicals, Inc.	726,678	2,350	American Tower Corporation	433,434
	Ecolab, Inc.	643,695	INSTITU	UTIONAL FINANCIAL SERVICI	ES - 3.1%
	LyondellBasell Industries N.V., Cla			Goldman Sachs Group, Inc. (The)	842,140
2,750	Sherwin-Williams Company (The)	626,395	21,000	Intercontinental Exchange, Inc.	2,224,950
		2,167,848	11,300	Morgan Stanley	923,888
COMMI	ERCIAL SUPPORT SERVICES - 2	2.3%		,	3,990,978
18,000	Waste Management, Inc.	2,914,560	INSURA	NCE - 2.4%	
CONSTI	RUCTION MATERIALS - 0.2%		9,550	Berkshire Hathaway, Inc., Class B(a	3,066,314
1,100	Vulcan Materials Company	215,050		VET MEDIA & SERVICES - 5.1%	
DATA C	ENTER REIT - 0.9%			Alphabet, Inc., Class A <sup>(a)</sup>	3,907,266
	Digital Realty Trust, Inc.	1,127,060	5,500	*	1,455,960
	IFIED INDUSTRIALS - 1.5%		- ,-	Netflix, Inc. <sup>(a)</sup>	1,185,690
		1 016 000	• ,	,	6,548,916
	Honeywell International, Inc.	1,916,000	I EICHID	E FACILITIES & SERVICES - 1.4	
	MERCE DISCRETIONARY - 3.19			Domino's Pizza, Inc.	1,101,430
33,100	Amazon.com, Inc. <sup>(a)</sup>	3,991,198		McDonald's Corporation	741,286
			2,000	11102011aid's Corporation	1,842,716

# NORTH COUNTRY LARGE CAP EQUITY FUND SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS (Unaudited) (Continued)

May 31, 2023

Shares		Fair Value	Shares	Fair Value
MACHI	NERY - 1.0%		SPECIALTY FINANCE - 0.6%	
6,300	Caterpillar, Inc.	\$ 1,296,225	6,800 Capital One Financial Corporation	\$ 708,628
MEDICA	AL EQUIPMENT & DEVICES	- 6.2%	TECHNOLOGY HARDWARE - 9.1%	
	Abbott Laboratories	2,040,000	57,500 Apple, Inc.	10,191,874
	Danaher Corporation	1,148,100	30,750 Cisco Systems, Inc.	1,527,353
6,500	Stryker Corporation	1,791,270	•	11,719,227
5,825	Thermo Fisher Scientific, Inc.	2,961,779	TECHNOLOGY SERVICES - 2.6%	
		7,941,149	15,000 Visa, Inc., Class A	3,315,450
OIL & G	SAS PRODUCERS - 2.2%		TELECOMMUNICATIONS - 0.3%	
	Chevron Corporation	994,092	26,000 AT&T, Inc.	408,980
	Exxon Mobil Corporation	837,876		
34,400	Williams Companies, Inc. (The)	985,904	TRANSPORTATION & LOGISTICS - 2.	
		2,817,872	5,300 Union Pacific Corporation 11,400 United Parcel Service, Inc., Class I	1,020,356
RETAIL	- CONSUMER STAPLES - 3.5%	<b>6</b>	11,400 United Parcel Service, Inc., Class I	3 <u>1,903,800</u> <u>2,924,156</u>
2,075	Costco Wholesale Corporation	1,061,487	WW. 10.1 PO. 1.1 P. GO. 1.1 P. GW. P. P. P. GW. P. P. P. GW. P. P. P. GW. P.	
8,400	Dollar Tree, Inc. (a)	1,132,992	WHOLESALE - CONSUMER STAPLES	
15,500	Walmart, Inc.	2,276,485	17,500 Sysco Corporation	1,224,125
		4,470,964	TOTAL COMMON STOCKS	
RETAIL	- DISCRETIONARY - 3.4%		(Cost \$52,452,310)	123,052,851
9,200	Home Depot, Inc. (The)	2,607,740	SHORT-TERM INVESTMENT — 4.2%	
23,050	TJX Companies, Inc. (The)	1,770,010	MONEY MARKET FUND - 4.2%	
		4,377,750	5,414,110 BlackRock Liquidity Funds Treasu	ry Trust Fund
SELF-ST	ORAGE REIT - 0.4%		Portfolio, Institutional Class, 5.00	
1,900	Public Storage	538,270	(Cost \$5,414,110) <sup>(b)</sup>	5,414,110
SEMICO	ONDUCTORS - 3.2%		TOTAL INVESTMENTS – 100.2%	
6,630	NVIDIA Corporation	2,508,394	(Cost \$57,866,420)	\$ 128,466,961
	QUALCOMM, Inc.	1,559,388	LIABILITIES IN EXCESS OF	
		4,067,782	OTHER ASSETS - (0.2)%	(206,113)
SOFTWA	ARE - 14.4%		NET ASSETS - 100.0%	\$128,260,848
10,000	Adobe, Inc. <sup>(a)</sup>	4,177,900		
30,000	Microsoft Corporation	9,851,699	N.V Naamioze Vennootschap	
19,000	Oracle Corporation	2,012,860	REIT - Real Estate Investment Trust	
11,000	Salesforce, Inc. (a)	2,457,180		
		18,499,639	<ul><li>(a) Non-income producing security.</li><li>(b) Rate disclosed is the seven day effective yield as or</li></ul>	f May 31, 2023.

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

# STATEMENTS OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES (Unaudited)

May 31, 2023

	Large Cap Equity Fund
ASSETS:	
Investments in securities, at fair value	
(Cost \$57,866,420)	\$ 128,466,961
Dividends and interest receivable	221,948
Receivable for fund shares sold	71,630
Prepaid expenses and other assets	29,386
Total Assets	128,789,925
LIABILITIES:	
Payable for fund shares redeemed	419,205
Accrued advisory fees	81,642
Payable to related parties	13,213
Accrued expenses and other liabilities	15,017
Total Liabilities	529,077
Net Assets	<u>\$ 128,260,848</u>
NET ASSETS CONSIST OF:	
Paid in capital	\$ 52,565,674
Accumulated earnings	75,695,174
Net Assets	\$ 128,260,848
Shares outstanding	
(unlimited number of shares authorized; no par value)	6,845,189
Net asset value, offering and redemption price per share	
(\$128,260,848/6,845,189)	\$ 18.74

## STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (Unaudited)

For the Six Months Ended May 31, 2023

	Large Cap Equity Fund
INVESTMENT INCOME:	
Dividends	\$ 1,005,672
Interest	73,859
Total investment income	1,079,531
EXPENSES:	
Investment advisory fees	474,472
Administration and fund accounting fees	89,079
Legal fees	24,740
Transfer agency fees	19,197
Trustees' fees	11,852
Audit fees	8,851
Printing expense	7,499
Chief Compliance Officer fees	7,979
Registration and filing fees	8,410
Custody fees	6,234
Insurance expense	5,907
Miscellaneous expenses	4,364
Total expenses	668,584
Net investment income	410,947
NET REALIZED AND UNREALIZED GAIN/(LOSS) ON INVESTMENTS:	
Net realized gain from investment transactions	4,678,617
Net change in unrealized depreciation of investments	(2,748,556)
Net realized and unrealized gain on investments	1,930,061
Net increase in net assets resulting from operations	\$ 2,341,008

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

# LARGE CAP EQUITY FUND STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

	For the Six Months Ended May 31, 2023 (Unaudited)	For the Year Ended November 30, 2022		
FROM OPERATIONS:				
Net investment income	\$ 410,947	\$ 720,871		
Net realized gain from investment transactions	4,678,617	14,498,058		
Net change in unrealized depreciation	(2,748,556)	(36,088,146)		
Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations	2,341,008	(20,869,217)		
DISTRIBUTIONS TO SHAREHOLDERS:				
Total distributions to shareholders	(14,322,130)	(13,679,110)		
CAPITAL SHARE TRANSACTIONS (Note 4)	8,670,711	(4,506,023)		
Net decrease in net assets	(3,310,411)	(39,054,350)		
NET ASSETS:				
Beginning of period	131,571,259	170,625,609		
End of period	\$ 128,260,848	\$ 131,571,259		

# LARGE CAP EQUITY FUND FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

(For a fund share outstanding throughout each period)

For the Six

	Mo	or the Six nths Ended y 31, 2023	_			For the	e Ye	ear Ended l	No	vember 30	,	
	(L	Inaudited)		2022		2021		2020		2019		2018
Net asset value, beginning of period	\$ <u></u>	20.73	\$	25.86	\$	23.48	\$	20.32	\$	18.99	\$	18.87
INCOME (LOSS) FROM INVESTMENT OPERATION	·C											
Net investment income <sup>(1)</sup> Net realized and unrealized	3:	0.06		0.11		0.07		0.08		0.08		0.05
gain (loss) on investments		0.21		(3.16)		4.74		4.44		2.55		1.28
Total from investment operations		0.27	_	(3.05)		4.81	_	4.52		2.63		1.33
LESS DISTRIBUTIONS: Dividends from net investment												
income		(0.12)		(0.07)		(0.10)		(0.08)		(0.05)		(0.07)
Distribution from net realized gains from security transactions	- -	(2.14)	_	(2.01)	_	(2.33)	_	(1.28)		(1.25)		(1.14)
Total distributions	_	(2.26)	_	(2.08)	_	(2.43)	_	(1.36)	_	(1.30)	_	(1.21)
Net asset value, end of period	\$	18.74	\$	20.73	\$	25.86	\$	23.48	\$	20.32	\$	18.99
Total return <sup>(2)</sup>		1.91%(4)	)	(13.02)%	)	22.73%	ó	23.90%	)	15.25%	)	7.52%
RATIOS/SUPPLEMENTAL DA' Net assets, end of period (in 000's) Ratios to average net assets:	<b>TA:</b> \$	128,261	\$	131,571	\$	170,626	\$	151,343	\$	136,366	\$	127,978

1.06%(3)

 $0.65\%^{(3)}$ 

2%(4)

1.02%

0.51%

7%

0.99%

0.31%

7%

1.02%

0.40%

5%

1.04%

0.41%

15%

1.03%

0.29%

22%

Expenses

Net investment income

Portfolio turnover rate

<sup>(1)</sup> Net investment income per share is based on average shares outstanding during the year or period.

<sup>(2)</sup> Total returns are historical and assume changes in share price and reinvestment of dividends and capital gain distributions, if any. Total return does not reflect the deductions of taxes that a shareholder would pay on distributions or on the redemption of shares.

<sup>(3)</sup> Annualized for periods of less than one year.

<sup>(4)</sup> Not annualized.

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Unaudited)

May 31, 2023

#### NOTE 1. ORGANIZATION

The North Country Funds (the "Trust") was organized as a Massachusetts business trust on June 1, 2000, and registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the "1940 Act") as an open-end, diversified, management investment company on September 11, 2000. The Trust currently offers one series: the North Country Large Cap Equity Fund (the "Fund"). The Fund's principal investment objective is to provide investors with long-term capital appreciation. The Fund commenced operations on March 1, 2001.

The Fund was initially organized on March 26, 1984 under New York law as a Collective Investment Trust sponsored by Glens Falls National Bank & Trust Company. Prior to its conversion to a regulated investment company (mutual fund), investor participation was limited to qualified employee benefit plans.

#### NOTE 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The following is a summary of the significant accounting policies followed by the Trust in the preparation of its financial statements. These policies are in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP"). The preparation of financial statements in conformity with these generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the year. Actual results could differ from these estimates. The Fund is an investment company and accordingly follows the investment company accounting and reporting guidance of the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") Accounting Standard Codification Topic 946 Financial Services - Investment Companies.

**Security Valuation** – Securities which are traded on a national securities exchange are valued at the last quoted sale price. NASDAQ traded securities are valued using the NASDAQ official closing price ("NOCP"). Investments for which no sales are reported are valued at the mean between the current bid and ask prices on the day of valuation. To the extent these securities are actively traded and valuation adjustments are not applied, they are categorized in level 1 of the fair value hierarchy described below. When an equity security is valued by the independent pricing service using factors other than market quotations or the market is considered inactive, they will be categorized in level 2.

Any securities or other assets for which market quotations are not readily available, or securities for which the last bid price does not accurately reflect the current value, are valued at fair value pursuant to the Fund's fair value pricing policies and procedures, as approved by the Board (the "Valuation Policy"). The Board has designated North Country Investment Advisers, Inc., the Fund's investment adviser (the "Adviser"), as the "Valuation Designee" pursuant to Rule 2a-5 under the 1940 Act to make fair value determinations for all of the Fund's investments for which market quotations are not readily available (or are deemed unreliable). The Board will oversee the Adviser's fair value determinations and the Adviser's performance as Valuation Designee. Pursuant to the Valuation Policy, the Valuation Designee will take into account all relevant factors and circumstances in determining the fair value of a security, which may include: (i) the nature and pricing history (if any) of the security; (ii) whether any dealer quotations for the security are available; (iii) possible valuation methodologies that could be used to determine the fair value of the security; (iv) the recommendation of the portfolio manager of the Fund with respect to the valuation of the security; (v) whether the same or similar securities are held by other funds managed by the Adviser or other funds and the method used to price the security in those funds; (vi) the extent to which the fair value to be determined for the security will result from the availability and use of data, reports or formulae produced by third parties independent

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Unaudited) (Continued)

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of the Adviser; (vii) the liquidity or illiquidity of the market for the security; (viii) the size of the Fund's holdings; (ix) the existence of any extraordinary event relating to the security; (x) changes in the market environment; and (xi) any other matters considered relevant by the Valuation Designee. In the absence of readily available market quotations, or other observable inputs, securities valued at fair value pursuant to the Procedures would be categorized as level 3.

Money market funds are valued at their net asset value of \$1.00 per share and are categorized as level 1. Securities with maturities of 60 days or less may be valued at amortized cost, which approximates fair value and would be categorized as level 2. The ability of issuers of debt securities held by the Fund to meet its obligations may be affected by economic or political developments in a specific country or region.

The Fund utilizes various methods to measure the fair value of its investments on a recurring basis. GAAP establishes a hierarchy that prioritizes inputs to valuation methods. The three levels of input are:

**Level 1** – Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets and liabilities that the Fund has the ability to access.

**Level 2** – Observable inputs other than quoted prices included in level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly. These inputs may include quoted prices for the identical instrument on an inactive market, prices for similar instruments, interest rates, prepayment speeds, credit risk, yield curves, default rates and similar data.

**Level 3** – Unobservable inputs for the asset or liability, to the extent relevant observable inputs are not available, including the Valuation Designee's assumptions used in determining the fair value of priced instruments.

The availability of observable inputs can vary from security to security and is affected by a wide variety of factors, including, for example, the type of security, whether the security is new and not yet established in the marketplace, the liquidity of markets, and other characteristics particular to the security. To the extent that valuation is based on models or inputs that are less observable or unobservable in the market, the determination of fair value requires more judgment. Accordingly, the degree of judgment exercised in determining fair value is greatest for instruments categorized in Level 3.

The inputs used to measure fair value may fall into different levels of the fair value hierarchy. In such cases, for disclosure purposes, the level in the fair value hierarchy within which the fair value measurement falls in its entirety, is determined based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement in its entirety.

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Unaudited) (Continued)

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The following is a summary of inputs used as of May 31, 2023, in valuing the Fund's assets carried at fair value.

#### North Country Large Cap Equity Fund:

Assets	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3*	Total
Common Stock**	\$ 123,052,851	\$	\$	\$ 123,052,851
Money Market Fund	5,414,110	_	_	5,414,110
Total	\$ 128,466,961	\$	\$	\$ 128,466,961

<sup>\*</sup> The Fund did not hold any Level 3 investments during the period.

Federal Income Taxes – The Fund makes no provision for federal income or excise tax. The Fund intends to qualify each year as regulated investment companies ("RICs") under subchapter M of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, by complying with the requirements applicable to RICs and by distributing substantially all of its taxable income. The Fund also intends to distribute sufficient net investment income and net capital gains, if any, so that it will not be subject to excise tax on undistributed income and gains. If the required amount of net investment income or gains is not distributed, the Fund could incur a tax expense.

Management has analyzed the Fund's tax positions and has concluded that no liability for unrecognized tax benefits should be recorded related to uncertain tax positions taken on returns filed for open tax years November 30, 2020, to November 30, 2022, or expected to be taken in the Fund's November 30, 2023, year-end tax returns. The Fund recognizes interest and penalties, if any, related to unrecognized tax benefits as income tax expense in the statements of operations. The Fund identifies its major tax jurisdictions as U.S. Federal and New York State.

**Dividends and Distributions** – The Fund will pay dividends from net investment income, if any, on an annual basis. The Fund will declare and pay distributions from net realized capital gains, if any, annually. Income and capital gain distributions to shareholders are recorded on the ex-dividend date and are determined in accordance with income tax regulations, which may differ from generally accepted accounting principles.

Security Transactions – Securities transactions are recorded no later than the first business day after the trade date, except for reporting purposes when trade date is used. Realized gains and losses on sales of securities are calculated on the identified cost basis. Dividend income is recorded on the ex-dividend date and interest income is recorded on an accrual basis. Discounts and premiums on securities purchased are amortized over the life of the respective securities using the effective yield method. Withholding taxes on foreign dividends have been provided for in accordance with the Fund's understanding of the applicable country's tax rules and rates.

**Indemnification** — The Trust indemnifies its officers and trustees for certain liabilities that may arise from the performance of their duties to the Trust. Additionally, in the normal course of business, the Fund enters into contracts that contain a variety of representations and warranties and which provide general indemnities. The Fund's maximum exposure under these arrangements is unknown, as this would involve future claims that may be made against the Fund that have not yet occurred. However, based on experience, the Fund expects the risk of loss due to these warranties and indemnities to be remote.

Cash and cash equivalents – Cash and cash equivalents are held with a financial institution. The assets of the Fund may be placed in deposit accounts at U.S. banks and such deposits generally exceed Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC") insurance limits. The FDIC insures deposit accounts up to \$250,000 for each accountholder. The counterparty is generally a single bank rather than a group of financial institutions; thus there may be a greater counterparty credit risk. The Fund places deposits only with those counterparties which are believed to be creditworthy and there has been no history of loss.

<sup>\*\*</sup> See Schedule of Investments for industry classifications.

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#### NOTE 3. INVESTMENT ADVISORY AGREEMENT AND TRANSACTIONS WITH RELATED PARTIES

The Trust has entered into an investment advisory agreement (the "Advisory Agreement") with North Country Investment Advisers, Inc. (the "Adviser"). Pursuant to the Advisory Agreement, the Adviser is responsible for formulating the Trust's investment programs, making day-to-day investment decisions and engaging in portfolio transactions, subject to the authority of the Board of Trustees. Under the terms of the agreement, the Fund pays a fee, calculated daily and paid monthly, at an annual rate of 0.75% of the average daily net assets of the Fund. For the six months ended May 31, 2023, the Adviser received advisory fees of \$474,472.

The Trust has entered into an Underwriting Agreement with Northern Lights Distributors, LLC ("the Distributor") to serve as the principal underwriter for the Fund and distributor for the Fund's shares.

In addition, certain affiliates of the Distributor provide services to the Fund as follows:

Ultimus Fund Solutions, LLC ("UFS") – UFS, an affiliate of the Distributor, provides administration, fund accounting, and transfer agent services to the Trust. Pursuant to separate servicing agreements with UFS, the Fund pays UFS customary fees for providing administration, fund accounting, and transfer agency services to the Fund. Certain officers of the Trust are also officers of UFS, and are not paid any fees directly by the Fund for serving in such capacities.

Northern Lights Compliance Services, LLC ("NLCS") – NLCS, an affiliate of UFS and the Distributor, provides a Chief Compliance Officer to the Trust, as well as related compliance services, pursuant to a consulting agreement between NLCS and the Trust. Under the terms of such agreement, NLCS receives customary fees from the Fund.

BluGiant, LLC ("BluGiant"), an affiliate of UFS and the Distributor, provides EDGAR conversion and filing services as well as print management services for the Fund on an ad-hoc basis. For the provision of these services, BluGiant receives customary fees from the Fund.

Certain officers and/or trustees of the Adviser are also officers/trustees of the Trust.

#### **NOTE 4. CAPITAL SHARE TRANSACTIONS**

At May 31, 2023, there were an unlimited number of shares authorized with no par value.

Transactions in capital shares were as follows:

		Ionths Ended 1, 2023	For the Year Ended November 30, 2022			
	Shares	Amount	Shares	Amount		
Shares sold	194,856	\$ 3,476,406	338,914	\$ 7,300,809		
Shares issued for reinvestment of dividends.	772,470	13,688,179	521,834	12,764,060		
Shares redeemed	(469,367)	(8,493,874)	(1,110,409)	(24,570,892)		
Net increase (decrease)	497,959	\$ 8,670,711	(249,661)	\$ (4,506,023)		

#### NOTE 5. INVESTMENTS

The cost of purchases and proceeds from the sales of securities, other than short-term investments, for the six months ended May 31, 2023, amounted to \$2,672,965 and \$10,088,698, respectively.

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Unaudited) (Continued)

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#### NOTE 6. AGGREGATE UNREALIZED APPRECIATION AND DEPRECIATION – TAX BASIS

The identified cost of investments in securities owned by the Fund for federal income tax purposes, and its gross unrealized appreciation and depreciation at May 31, 2023, were as follows:

	Gross	Gross	Net Unrealized			
Tax Unrealized		Unrealized	Appreciation			
Cost	Cost Appreciation		(Depreciation)			
\$ 57,829,148	\$ 71,880,162	\$ (1,242,349)	\$ 70,637,813			

#### **NOTE 7. TAX INFORMATION**

The tax character of distributions paid during the fiscal year ended November 30, 2022, and fiscal year ended November 30, 2021, was as follows:

	Fiscal Year Ended November 30, 2022		Fiscal Year Ended November 30, 2021	
Ordinary Income	\$	594,998	\$ 611,331	
Long-Term Capital Gain		13,084,112	15,041,185	
Return of Capital		_	_	
	\$	13,679,100	\$ 15,652,516	

As of November 30, 2022, the components of distributable earnings/ (deficit) on a tax basis were as follows:

Uno	listributed	Undistributed	Post October	Capital Loss	Other	Unrealized	Total
C	Ordinary	Long-Term	Loss and	Carry	Book/Tax	Appreciation/	Distributable Earnings/
		~					
]	Income	Capital Gains	Late Year Loss	Forwards	Differences	(Depreciation)	(Accumulated Deficits)

The difference between book basis and tax basis unrealized appreciation/(depreciation) from investments is primarily attributable to the adjustments for C-Corporation return of capital distributions.

#### NOTE 8. CONTROL OWNERSHIP

The beneficial ownership, either directly or indirectly, of more than 25% of the voting securities of a Fund creates presumption of control of the Fund, under Section 2(a) 9 of the 1940 Act. As of May 31 2023, SEI Private Trust Company, an account holding shares for the benefit of others in nominee name, held approximately 87% of the voting securities of the Fund.

#### **NOTE 9. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS**

Subsequent events after the date of the Statement of Assets and Liabilities have been evaluated through the date the financial statements were issued. Management has concluded that there are no events requiring additional adjustment or disclosure in the financial statements.

#### **DISCLOSURE OF FUND EXPENSES (Unaudited)**

As a shareholder of the Fund, you incur ongoing costs, including management fees and other Fund expenses. This example is intended to help you understand your ongoing costs (in dollars) of investing in the Fund and to compare these costs with the ongoing costs of investing in other mutual funds. Please note, the expenses shown in the tables are meant to highlight ongoing costs only and do not reflect any transactional costs, such as sales charges (loads), or contingent deferred sales charges (CDSCs) on redemptions.

This example is based on an investment of \$1,000 invested at December 1, 2022 and held until May 31, 2023.

**Actual Expenses:** The "Actual" section of the table provides information about actual account values and actual expenses. You may use the information in this line, together with the amount you invested, to estimate the expenses that you paid over the period. Simply divide your account value by \$1,000 (for example, an \$8,600 account value divided by \$1,000 = 8.6), then multiply the result by the number in the column under the heading entitled "Expenses Paid During the Period" to estimate the expenses you paid on your account during the period.

**Hypothetical Examples for Comparison Purposes:** The "Hypothetical" section of the table below provides information about hypothetical account values and hypothetical expenses based on the Fund's actual expense ratio and an assumed rate of return of 5% per year before expenses, which is not the Fund's actual return. The hypothetical account values and expenses may not be used to estimate the actual ending account balance or expenses you paid for the period. You may use this information to compare the ongoing costs of investing in the Fund with other funds. To do so, compare this 5% hypothetical example with the 5% hypothetical examples that appear in the shareholder reports of other funds.

Please note that the expenses shown in the table are meant to highlight your ongoing costs only and do not reflect any transactional costs which may be applicable to your account. Therefore, the "Hypothetical" example is useful in comparing ongoing costs only, and will not help you determine the relative total costs of owning different funds. In addition, if transactional costs were included, your costs would have been higher.

	Beginning Account Value (12/1/22)	Ending Account Value (5/31/23)	Expense Ratio (Annualized)	Expenses Paid During the Period* (12/1/22-5/31/23)
Large Cap Equity Fund				
Actual	\$1,000.00	\$1,019.10	1.06%	\$5.34
Hypothetical (5% return before expenses)	\$1,000.00	\$1,019.65	1.06%	\$5.34

<sup>\*</sup> Expenses are equal to the Fund's annualized expense ratio multiplied by the average account value over the period, multiplied by 182 days divided by 365 days.

# **FACTS**

# WHAT DO THE NORTH COUNTRY FUNDS DO WITH YOUR PERSONAL INFORMATION?

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# Why?

Financial companies choose how they share your personal information. Federal law gives consumers the right to limit some but not all sharing. Federal law also requires us to tell you how we collect, share, and protect your personal information. Please read this notice carefully to understand what we do.

# What?

The types of personal information we collect and share depend on the product or service you have with us. This information can include:

- Social Security number and wire transfer instructions
- account transactions and transaction history
- investment experience and purchase history

When you are **no longer** our customer, we continue to share your information as described in this notice.

# How?

All financial companies need to share customers' personal information to run their everyday business. In the section below, we list the reasons financial companies can share their customers' personal information; the reasons The North Country Funds ("The Funds") choose to share; and whether you can limit this sharing.

Reasons we can share your personal information	Do The Funds share?	Can you limit this sharing?
For our everyday business purposes – such as to process your transactions, maintain your account(s), respond to court orders and legal investigations, or report to credit bureaus	Yes	No
For our marketing purposes – to offer our products and services to you	Yes	No
For joint marketing with other financial companies	Yes	No
For our affiliates' everyday business purposes – information about your transactions and experiences	Yes	No
For our affiliates' everyday business purposes – information about your creditworthiness	No	We don't share
For our affiliates to market to you	No	We don't share
For nonaffiliates to market to you	No	We don't share

Questions?

Call 1-888-350-2990

Who we are				
Who is providing this notice?	The North Country Funds			
What we do				
How do The Funds protect my personal information?	To protect your personal information from unauthorized access and use, we use security measures that comply with federal law. These measures include computer safeguards and secured files and buildings. We restrict access to nonpublic personal information about you to those employees who need to know that information to provide products or services to you.			
How do The Funds collect my	We collect your personal information, for example, when you			
personal information?	open an account or deposit money			
	direct us to buy securities or direct us to sell your securities			
	seek advice about your investments			
	We also collect your personal information from others, such as credit bureaus, affiliates, or other companies.			
Why can't I limit all sharing?	Federal law gives you the right to limit only			
	sharing for affiliates' everyday business purposes – information about your creditworthiness			
	affiliates from using your information to market to you			
	sharing for non-affiliates to market to you			
	State laws and individual companies may give you additional rights to limit sharing.			
Definitions				
Affiliates	Companies related by common ownership or control. They can be financial and nonfinancial companies.			
	Our affiliates include financial companies such as Glens Falls National Bank and Trust Company and North Country Investment Advisers.			
Nonaffiliates	Companies not related by common ownership or control. They can be financial and nonfinancial companies.			
	The Funds do not share with nonaffiliates so they can market you.			
Joint marketing	A formal agreement between nonaffiliated financial companies that together market financial products or services to you.			
	The Funds do not jointly market.			



How to Obtain Proxy Voting Information  Information regarding how the Fund voted proxies relating to portfolio securities during the most recent 12-month period ending June 30, as well as a description of the policies and procedures that the Fund uses to determine how to vote proxies is available without charge, upon request, by calling toll-free 1-888-350-2990 or by referring to the Securities and Exchange Commission's ("SEC") website at http://www.sec.gov.
How to Obtain 1st and 3rd Fiscal Quarter Portfolio Holdings  The Fund files its complete schedule of portfolio holdings with the SEC for the first and third quarters of each fiscal year as an exhibit on Form N-PORT, within sixty days of the end of the period. Form N-PORT is available on the SEC's website at http://www.sec.gov. The information on Form N-PORT is available without charge, upon request, by calling 1-888-350-2990.

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