

# Guru Favorite Stocks ETF

Semi-Annual Report

May 31, 2023

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# Tabular Presentation of Schedule of Investments As of May 31, 2023 (Unaudited)

	% Net
Sector <sup>1</sup>	Assets
Information Technology	45.9% <sup>2</sup>
Financials	$26.9\%^2$
Health Care	10.0%
Consumer Discretionary	8.4%
Industrials	4.1%
Communication Services	2.5%
Real Estate	1.8%
Other <sup>3</sup>	0.4%
Total	100.0%

1. Sector designations may be different than the sector designations presented in other Fund materials. The sector designations may represent the investment adviser's internal sector classifications.

2. For purposes of the Fund's compliance with its concentration limits, the Fund uses various sub-classifications and none of the Fund's holdings in the sub-classifications exceed 25% of the Fund's total assets.

3. Cash, cash equivalents, short-term investments and other assets less liabilities.

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# Schedule of Investments

# May 31, 2023 (Unaudited)

Shares	Value
COMMON STOCKS - 99.6%	
Application Software - 12.9%	
2,162 Adobe, Inc. (a)	\$ 903,262
3,371 Ansys, Inc. (a)	1,090,822
1,506 Fair Isaac Corp. (a)	1,186,231
1,640 Intuit, Inc.	687,357
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Broadline Retail - 5.4%	704 094
6,593 Amazon.com, Inc. (a) 674 MercadoLibre, Inc. (a)	794,984
0/4 MercadoLibre, Inc. (a)	<u>835,086</u> 1,630,070
Diversified Support Services - 4.1%	1,030,070
13,970 Copart, Inc. (a)	1,223,632
Electronic Components - 2.9%	
3,384 Littelfuse, Inc.	866,439
Financial Exchanges & Data - 8.3%	
2,536 MarketAxess Holdings, Inc.	690,832
2,798 Moody's Corp.	886,630
2,518 S&P Global, Inc.	925,189
	2,502,651
Health Care Equipment - 3.3%	
3,214 Intuitive Surgical, Inc. (a)	989,398
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Health Care Facilities - 2.7%	810 700
3,069 HCA Healthcare, Inc.	810,799
Interactive Media & Services - 2.5%	
6,030 Alphabet, Inc Class A (a)	740,906
IT Consulting & Other Services - 3.9%	1 170 627
3,856 Accenture PLC - Class A ADR (b)	1,179,627
Life & Health Insurance - 3.6%	
6,014 Primerica, Inc.	1,094,668
Managed Health Care - 4.0%	
2,658 Elevance Health, Inc.	1,190,306
Multi-Sector Holdings - 4.0%	
3,778 Berkshire Hathaway, Inc Class B (a)	1,213,040
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Property & Casualty Insurance - 3.2%	
7,446 Progressive Corp.	952,418
Real Estate Services - 1.8%	
7,351 CBRE Group, Inc Class A (a)	550,737

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#### **Schedule of Investments (Continued)**

May 31, 2023 (Unaudited)

Shares		Value
Restaurants - 3.	)%	
8,293	Texas Roadhouse, Inc.	\$ 894,815
	Materials & Equipment - 4.5%	
2,192	Lam Research Corp.	1,351,806
Semiconductors	- 3.7%	
2,281	Monolithic Power Systems, Inc.	1,117,485
Systems Softwar	e - 14.1%	
12,895	Microsoft Corp.	4,234,589
Technology Har	dware, Storage & Peripherals - 3.9%	
6,575	Apple, Inc.	1,165,419
Transaction & F	ayment Processing Services - 7.8%	
3,090	Mastercard, Inc Class A	1,127,912
5,457	Visa, Inc Class A	1,206,161
	TOTAL COMMON STOCKS (Cost \$27,939,754)	2,334,073 29,910,550
MONEY MARK	ET FUNDS - 0.4%	
123,389	First American Government Obligations Fund - Class X, 4.97% (c)	123,389
,	TOTAL MONEY MARKET FUNDS (Cost \$123,389)	123,389
	TOTAL INVESTMENTS (Cost \$28,063,143) - 100.0%	30,033,939
	Other Assets in Excess of Liabilities - 0.0% (d)	7,166
	TOTAL NET ASSETS - 100.0%	\$ 30,041,105
Percentages are s	tated as a percent of net assets.	
ADR - American PLC - Public Lim	Depositary Receipt ited Company	

(a) Non-income producing security.

(b) Foreign issued security.

(c) Rate shown is the 7-day effective yield.

(d) Represents less than 0.05% of net assets.

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# STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES May 31, 2023 (Unaudited)

	Guru Favorite Stocks ETF
Assets:	
Investments in securities, at value	\$ 30,033,939
Dividends and interest receivable	23,447
Total assets	30,057,386
Liabilities:	
Accrued investment advisory fees	16,281
Total liabilities	16,281
Net Assets	\$ 30,041,105
Net Assets Consist of: Paid-in capital Total distributable earnings (accumulated deficit) Net Assets:	34,190,880 (4,149,775) \$ 30,041,105
Calculation of Net Asset Value Per Share:	
Net Assets	\$ 30,041,105
Shares Outstanding (unlimited shares of beneficial interest authorized, no par value)	1,390,000
Net Asset Value per Share	\$ 21.61
Cost of Investments in Securities	\$ 28,063,143

# **STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS For the Period Ended May 31, 2023 (Unaudited)**

	Guru Favorite Stocks ETF
Investment Income:	
Dividend income	\$ 133,371
Interest income	2,265
Securities lending income	75
Total investment income	135,711
Expenses:	
Investment advisory fees (Note 4)	94,673
Net expenses	94,673
Net Investment Income	41,038
Realized and Unrealized Gain (Loss) on Investments:	
Net realized loss on:	
Investments	(4,201,302)
	(4,201,302)
Net change in unrealized appreciation on:	
Investments	4,603,672
	4,603,672
Net realized and unrealized gain on investments:	402,370
Net Increase in Net Assets Resulting from Operations	\$ 443,408

# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

	Guru Favorite Stocks ETF			
	For the Period Ended May 31, 2023 (Unaudited)	For the Period Ended November 30, 2022 <sup>(1)</sup>		
Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets from:				
Operations:				
Net investment income	\$ 41,038	. ,		
Net realized loss on investments	(4,201,302)	(2,768,282)		
Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments	4,603,672	(2,632,876)		
Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations	443,408	(5,285,764)		
Distributions to Shareholders:				
Distributable earnings	(117,903)	(3,002)		
Total distributions to shareholders	(117,903)	(3,002)		
Capital Share Transactions:				
Proceeds from shares sold	-	42,446,633		
Payments for shares redeemed	(419,554)	(7,024,003)		
Transaction fees (See Note 1)	<u> </u>	1,289		
Net increase (decrease) in net assets derived from net change in capital share transactions	(419,553)	25 422 010		
Net Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets	(94,048)	<u>35,423,919</u> 30,135,153		
Net Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets	(94,048)	50,155,155		
Net Assets:				
Beginning of period	30,135,153	_		
End of period	\$ 30,041,105	\$ 30,135,153		
Changes in Shares Outstanding:	1 / 10 000			
Shares outstanding, beginning of period Shares sold	1,410,000	- 1,760,000		
Shares repurchased	(20,000)	(350,000)		
Shares outstanding, end of period	1,390,000	1,410,000		
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(1) The Fund commenced operations on December 16, 2021.

#### FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS For the Period Ended May 31, 2023 (Unaudited)

	Net Asset Value, Beginning of Period	Net Investment	Net Realized and Unrealized Gain on Investments	Net Increase in Net Asset Value Resulting from	Distributions from Net Investment	Total Distributions	Net Asset Value, End of Period	Total		Net Expenses (3)(4)	Net Investment Income <sup>(3)</sup>	Portfolio Turnover Rate <sup>(5)</sup>
Guru Favorite Stocks ETF	01101104	Income		operations	Income	210011040010	101104		(000 5)			11000
Six Months Ended May 31, 2023 (Unaudited)	\$21.37 \$25.00	0.03	0.29	0.32	(0.08)	(0.08)	\$21.61	1.54%	\$30,041	0.65%	0.28%	64%
December 16, 2021 <sup>(6)</sup> to November 30, 2022	\$25.00	0.08	(3.71)	(3.63)	$(0.00)^{(7)}$	$(0.00)^{(7)}$	\$21.37	(14.50)%	\$30,135	0.65%	0.40%	28%

(1) Net investment income per share represents net investment income divided by the daily average shares of beneficial interest outstanding throughout the period.

(2) All returns reflect reinvested dividends, if any, but do not reflect the impact of taxes. Total return for a period of less than one year is not annualized.

(3) For periods of less than one year, these ratios are annualized.(4) Net expenses include effects of any reimbursement or recoupment.

(5) Portfolio turnover is not annualized and is calculated without regard to short-term securities having a maturity of less than one year.

Commencement of operations. (6)

(7) Rounds to less than 0.005.

The accompanying Notes to the Financial Statements are an integral part of these Financial Statements.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS MAY 31, 2023 (UNAUDITED)

#### NOTE 1 - ORGANIZATION

Guru Favorite Stocks ETF (the "Fund") is a series of the EA Series Trust (the "Trust"), which was organized as a Delaware statutory trust on October 11, 2013. The Trust is registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act"), as an open-end management investment company and the offering of the Fund's shares ("Shares") is registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"). The Fund is considered diversified under the 1940 Act. The Fund commenced operations on December 16, 2021. The Fund qualifies as an investment company as defined in the Financial Accounting Standards Codification Topic 946-Financial Services- Investment Companies. The Fund's investment objective is to seek long-term capital appreciation.

The Fund is an actively managed exchange-traded fund ("ETF"). The Fund's investment strategy is to seek to grow capital by investing in high quality companies that are favored by prominent long-term investors ("Gurus") and at reasonable prices.

Shares of the Fund are listed and traded on the Nasdaq Stock Market. Market prices for the shares may be different from their net asset value ("NAV"). The Fund issues and redeems shares on a continuous basis at NAV only in blocks of 10,000 shares, called "Creation Units." Creation Units are issued and redeemed principally in-kind for securities included in a specified universe. Once created, shares generally trade in the secondary market at market prices that change throughout the day in share amounts less than a Creation Unit. Except when aggregated in Creation Units, shares are not redeemable securities of the Fund. Shares of the Fund may only be purchased or redeemed by certain financial institutions ("Authorized Participants"). An Authorized Participant is either (i) a broker-dealer or other participant in the clearing process through the Continuous Net Settlement System of the National Securities Clearing Corporation or (ii) a DTC participant and, in each case, must have executed a Participant Agreement with the Distributor. Most retail investors do not qualify as Authorized Participants nor have the resources to buy and sell whole Creation Units. Therefore, they are unable to purchase or redeemed the shares directly from the Fund. Rather, most retail investors may purchase shares in the secondary market with the assistance of a broker and are subject to customary brokerage commissions or fees.

Authorized Participants may be required to pay a transaction fee to compensate the Trust or its custodian for costs incurred in connection with creation and redemption transactions. The standard transaction fee, which is payable to the Trust's custodian, typically applies to in-kind purchases of the Fund effected through the clearing process on any business day, regardless of the number of Creation Units purchased or redeemed that day ("Standard Transaction Fees"). Variable fees are imposed to compensate the Fund for the transaction costs associated with the cash transactions fees. Certain fund deposits consisting of cash-in-lieu or cash value may be subject to a variable charge ("Variable Transaction Fees"), which is payable to the Fund, of up to 2.00% of the value of the order in addition to the Standard Transaction Fees. Variable Transaction Fees received by the Fund, if any, are displayed in the Capital Share Transactions sections of the Statements of Changes in Net Assets.

Because, among other things, the Fund imposes transaction fees on purchases and redemptions of Shares to cover the custodial and other costs incurred by the Fund in effecting trades, the Board determined that it is not necessary to adopt policies and procedures to detect and deter market timing of the Fund's Shares.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) MAY 31, 2023 (UNAUDITED)

#### NOTE 2 – SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The following is a summary of significant accounting policies consistently followed by the Fund. These policies are in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP").

A. Security Valuation. Equity securities that are traded on a national securities exchange, except those listed on the NASDAQ Global Market<sup>®</sup> ("NASDAQ") are valued at the last reported sale price on the exchange on which the security is principally traded. Securities traded on NASDAQ will be valued at the NASDAQ Official Closing Price ("NOCP"). If, on a particular day, an exchange-traded or NASDAQ security does not trade, then the most recent quoted bid for exchange-traded or the mean between the most recent quoted bid and ask price for NASDAQ securities will be used. Equity securities that are not traded on a listed exchange are generally valued at the last sale price in the over-the-counter market. If a non-exchange traded security does not trade on a particular day, then the mean between the last quoted closing bid and asked price will be used. Prices denominated in foreign currencies are converted to U.S. dollar equivalents at the current exchange rate, which approximates fair value. Redeemable securities issued by open-end investment companies are valued at the investment company's applicable net asset value, with the exception of exchange-traded open-end investment companies which are priced as equity securities.

Subject to its oversight, the Trust's Board of Trustees (the "Board") has delegated primary responsibility for determining or causing to be determined the value of the Fund's investments to Empowered Funds, LLC d/b/a EA Advisers (the "Adviser"), pursuant to the Trust's valuation policy and procedures, which have been adopted by the Trust and approved by the Board. Effective September 8, 2022, and in accordance with Rule 2a-5 under the 1940 Act, the Board designated the Adviser as the "valuation designee" of the Fund. If the Adviser, as valuation designee, determines that reliable market quotations are not readily available for an investment, the investment is valued at fair value as determined in good faith by the Adviser in accordance with the Trust's fair valuation policy and procedures. The Adviser will provide the Board with periodic reports, no less frequently than quarterly, that discuss the functioning of the valuation process, if applicable, and that identify issues and valuation problems that have arisen, if any. As appropriate, the Adviser and the Board will review any securities value by the Adviser in accordance with the Trust's valuation policies during these periodic reports. The use of fair value pricing by the Fund may cause the net asset value of its shares to differ significantly from the net asset value that would be calculated without regard to such considerations. As of May 31, 2023, the Fund did not hold any securities valued by an investment committee.

As described above, the Fund may use various methods to measure the fair value of their investments on a recurring basis. GAAP establishes a hierarchy that prioritizes inputs to valuation methods. The three levels of inputs are:

Level 1 – Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or 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; representing the Fund's own assumptions about the assumptions a market participant would use in valuing the asset or liability and would be based on the best information available.

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.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) MAY 31, 2023 (UNAUDITED)

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.

The following is a summary of the fair value classification of the Fund's investments as of May 31, 2023:

DESCRIPTION	LEVEL 1	LEVEL 2	LEVEL 3	TOTAL
Guru Favorite Stocks ETF				
Assets*				
Common Stocks	\$29,910,550	\$ -	\$ -	\$29,910,550
Money Market Funds	123,389	-	-	123,389
<b>Total Investments in Securities</b>	\$30,033,939	\$-	\$-	\$30,033,939

\* For further detail on each asset class, see the Schedule of Investments

During the fiscal period ended May 31, 2023, the Fund did not invest in any Level 3 investments and recognized no transfers to/from Level 3. Transfers between levels are recognized at the end of the reporting period.

B. *Foreign Currency*. Investment securities and other assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into U.S. dollar amounts using the spot rate of exchange at the date of valuation. Purchases and sales of investment securities and income and expense items denominated in foreign currencies are translated into U.S. dollar amounts on the respective dates of such transactions.

The Fund isolates the portion of the results of operations resulting from changes in foreign exchange rates on investments from the fluctuations arising from changes in market prices of securities held. That portion of gains (losses) attributable to the changes in market prices and the portion of gains (losses) attributable to changes in foreign exchange rates are included on the "Statement of Operations" under "Net realized gain (loss) – Foreign currency" and "Change in Net Unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation) – Foreign Currency," respectively.

The Fund reports net realized foreign exchange gains or losses that arise from sales of foreign currencies, currency gains or losses realized between the trade and settlement dates on securities transactions, and the difference between the amounts of dividends, interest, and foreign withholding taxes recorded on the Fund's books and the U.S. dollar equivalent of the amounts actually received or paid. Net unrealized foreign exchange gains and losses arise from changes in the fair values of assets and liabilities, other than investments in securities at fiscal period end, resulting from changes in exchange rates.

C. *Federal Income Taxes.* The Fund intends to continue to comply with the requirements of subchapter M of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, as necessary to qualify as a regulated investment company and distribute substantially all net taxable investment income and net realized gains to shareholders in a manner which results in no tax cost to the Fund. Therefore, no federal income tax provision is required. As of and during the fiscal period ended May 31, 2023, the Fund did not have any tax positions that did not meet the "more-likely-than-not" threshold of being sustained by the applicable tax authority. As of and during the fiscal period ended May 31, 2023, the Fund did not have liabilities for any unrecognized tax benefits. The Fund would/will recognize interest and penalties, if any, related to unrecognized tax benefits on uncertain tax positions as income tax expense in the Statement of Operations. During the fiscal period ended May 31, 2023, the Fund did not incur any interest or penalties. The Fund is subject to examination by U.S. taxing authorities for the tax periods since the Fund's commencement of operations.

The Fund may be subject to taxes imposed on realized and unrealized gains on securities of certain foreign countries in which the Fund invests. The foreign tax expense, if any, was recorded on an accrual basis and is included in "Net realized gain (loss) on investments" and "Net increase (decrease) in unrealized appreciation or depreciation on investments" on the accompanying Statements of Operations. The amount of foreign tax owed, if any, is included in "Payable for foreign taxes" on the accompanying Statements of Assets and Liabilities and is comprised of withholding taxes on foreign dividends and taxes on unrealized gains.

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) MAY 31, 2023 (UNAUDITED)

D. Security Transactions and Investment Income. Investment securities transactions are accounted for on the trade date. Gains and losses realized on sales of securities are determined on a specific identification basis. Dividend income is recorded on the ex-dividend date, net of any foreign taxes withheld at source. Interest income is recorded on an accrual basis. Withholding taxes on foreign dividends have been provided for in accordance with the Fund's understanding of the applicable tax rules and regulations.

Distributions to shareholders from net investment income for the Fund and distributions to shareholders from net realized gains on securities normally are declared and paid on an annual basis. Distributions are recorded on the ex-dividend date. The Fund may distribute more frequently, if necessary, for tax purposes.

- E. *Use of Estimates.* The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, as well as the reported amounts of increases and decreases in net assets from operations during the period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.
- F. Share Valuation. The NAV per share of the Fund is calculated by dividing the sum of the value of the securities held by the Fund, plus cash and other assets, minus all liabilities (including estimated accrued expenses) by the total number of shares outstanding for the Fund, rounded to the nearest cent. The Fund's shares will not be priced on the days on which the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE") is closed for regular trading. The offering and redemption price per share for the Fund is equal to the Fund's net asset value per share.
- G. *Guarantees and Indemnifications.* In the normal course of business, the Fund enters into contracts with service providers that contain general indemnification clauses. Additionally, as is customary, the Trust's organizational documents permit the Trust to indemnify its officers and trustees against certain liabilities under certain circumstances. The Fund's maximum exposure under these arrangements is unknown as this would involve future claims that may be against the Fund that have not yet occurred. As of the date of this Report, no claim has been made for indemnification pursuant to any such agreement of the Fund.
- H. *Reclassification of Capital Accounts.* GAAP requires that certain components of net assets relating to permanent differences be reclassified between financial and tax reporting. These reclassifications have no effect on net assets or net asset value per share. No reclassifications were made for the fiscal period ended May 31, 2023.

For the fiscal period ended November 30, 2022 the following table shows the reclassifications made:

	Distributable Earnings	Paid in Capital
Guru Favorite Stocks ETF	813,486	(813,486)

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) MAY 31, 2023 (UNAUDITED)

#### NOTE 3 – RISKS

An investment in the Fund involves risk, including those described below. There is no assurance that the Fund will achieve its investment objective. An investor may lose money by investing in the Fund. An investment in the Fund is not a bank deposit and is not insured or guaranteed by the FDIC or any government agency.

The risks of foreign securities typically are greater in emerging and less developed markets. For example, in addition to the risks associated with investments in any foreign country, political, legal and economic structures in these less developed countries may be new and changing rapidly, which may cause instability and greater risk of loss. These securities markets may be less developed and securities in those markets are generally more volatile and less liquid than those in developed markets. Investing in emerging market countries may involve substantial risk due to, among other reasons, limited information; higher brokerage costs; different accounting, auditing and financial reporting standards; less developed legal systems and thinner trading markets as compared to those in developed countries; different clearing and settlement procedures and custodial services; and currency blockages or transfer restrictions. Emerging market countries also are more likely to experience high levels of inflation, deflation or currency devaluations, which could hurt their economies and securities markets. Certain emerging markets also may face other significant internal or external risks, including a heightened risk of war and ethnic, religious and racial conflicts. In addition, governments in many emerging market countries participate to a significant degree in their economies and securities markets, which may impair investment and economic growth of companies in those markets. Such markets may also be heavily reliant on foreign capital and, therefore, vulnerable to capital flight.

Foreign securities may underperform U.S. securities and may be more volatile than U.S. securities. Risks relating to investments in foreign securities (including, but not limited to, depositary receipts and participation certificates) and to securities of issuers with significant exposure to foreign markets include: currency exchange rate fluctuation; less available public information about the issuers of securities; less stringent regulatory standards; lack of uniform accounting, auditing and financial reporting standards; and country risks including less liquidity, high inflation rates, unfavorable economic practices, political instability and expropriation and nationalization risks.

#### Investment Risk.

When you sell your Shares of the Fund, they could be worth less than what you paid for them. The Fund could lose money due to short-term market movements and over longer periods during market downturns. Securities may decline in value due to factors affecting securities markets generally or particular asset classes or industries represented in the markets. The value of a security may decline due to general market conditions, economic trends or events that are not specifically related to the issuer of the security or to factors that affect a particular industry or group of industries. During a general downturn in the securities markets, multiple asset classes may be negatively affected. Therefore, you may lose money by investing in the Fund.

#### Stale Information Risk.

The Sub-Adviser will recommend securities for the Fund based on publicly available information about the Gurus' holdings. However, the publicly available information does not generally reflect real-time portfolio holdings. For example, information obtained via Form 13F filings are available only quarterly, and will contain information that is at least 45 days' old. As a result, the Sub-Adviser may rank a particular security higher than it would have been ranked if the Sub-Adviser had access to all of the Guru's portfolio holdings on a real-time basis. As a result, the Fund may purchase securities or retain securities that are no longer favored by the Gurus, which may hurt the Fund's performance.

#### Equity Investing Risk.

An investment in the Fund involves risks similar to those of investing in any fund holding equity securities, such as market fluctuations, changes in interest rates and perceived trends in stock prices. The values of equity securities could decline generally or could underperform other investments. In addition, securities may decline in value due to factors affecting a specific issuer, market or securities markets generally.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) MAY 31, 2023 (UNAUDITED)

Quantitative Security Selection Risk.

Data for some companies may be less available and/or less current than data used by other investment advisory firms. The Sub-Adviser uses quantitative analyses, and its processes could be adversely affected if erroneous or outdated data is utilized. In addition, securities selected using a quantitative analysis could perform differently from the financial markets as a whole as a result of the characteristics used in the analysis, the weight placed on each characteristic, and changes in the characteristic's historical trends.

#### Management Risk.

The Fund is actively managed and may not meet its investment objective based on the Adviser's or Sub-Adviser's success or failure to implement investment strategies for the Fund.

Semi-Annual Reallocation Risk.

Because the Sub-Adviser will normally recommend changes to the Fund's portfolio on a semi-annual basis, (i) the Fund's market exposure may be affected by significant market movements promptly following a semi-annual reconstitution that are not predictive of the market's performance for the subsequent semi-annual period and (ii) changes to the Fund's market exposure may lag a significant change in the market's direction (up or down) by as long as a half a year if such changes first take effect promptly following a semi-annual reconstitution. Such lags between market performance and changes to the Fund's exposure may result in significant underperformance relative to the broader equity or fixed income market.

See the Fund's Prospectus and Statement of Additional Information regarding the risks of investing in shares of the Fund.

## NOTE 4 – COMMITMENTS AND OTHER RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS.

Empowered Funds, LLC d/b/a EA Advisers (the "Adviser") serves as the investment adviser to the Fund. Pursuant to an investment advisory agreement (the "Advisory Agreement") between the Trust, on behalf of the Fund, and the Adviser, the Adviser provides investment advice to the Fund and oversees the day-to-day operations of the Fund, subject to the direction and control of the Board and the officers of the Trust. Under the Advisory Agreement, the Adviser is also responsible for arranging transfer agency, custody, fund administration and accounting, and other non-distribution related services necessary for the Fund to operate. The Adviser administrative services. The Adviser agrees to pay all expenses incurred by the Fund except for the fee paid to the Adviser pursuant to the Advisory Agreement, payments under any distribution plan adopted pursuant to Rule 12b-1, brokerage expenses, acquired fund fees and expenses, taxes (including tax-related services), interest (including borrowing costs), litigation expense (including class action-related services) and other non-routine or extraordinary expenses.

U.S. Bancorp Fund Services, LLC ("Fund Services" or "Administrator"), doing business as U.S. Bank Global Fund Services, acts as the Fund's Administrator and, in that capacity, performs various administrative and accounting services for the Fund. The Administrator prepares various federal and state regulatory filings, reports and returns for the Funds, including regulatory compliance monitoring and financial reporting; prepares reports and materials to be supplied to the trustees; monitors the activities of the Fund's Custodian, transfer agent and fund accountant. Fund Services also serves as the transfer agent and fund accountant to the Fund's. U.S. Bank N.A. (the "Custodian"), an affiliate of the Administrator, serves as the Funds' Custodian.

The Custodian acts as the securities lending agent (the "Securities Lending Agent") for the Fund.

GuruFocus Investments, LLC, serves as a non-discretionary investment sub-adviser to the Fund. Pursuant to an investment sub-advisory agreement (the "Sub-Advisory Agreement") among the Trust, the Adviser and the Sub-Adviser, the Sub-Adviser is responsible for determining the investment exposures for the Fund, subject to the overall supervision and oversight of the Adviser and the Board.

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At a Board meeting held on December 13, 2021, the Board of Trustees of the Trust (the "Trustees") including each Trustee who is not an "interested person" of the Trust, as defined in the 1940 Act, approved the Advisory Agreement. Per the Advisory Agreement, the Fund pays an annual rate of 0.65% to the Adviser monthly based on average daily net assets. A description of the Board's consideration is included in the semi-annual report dated May 31, 2022.

## **NOTE 5 – SECURITIES LENDING**

The Fund may lend up to 33<sup>1</sup>/<sub>3</sub>% of the value of the securities in its portfolio to brokers, dealers and financial institutions (but not individuals) under terms of participation in a securities lending program administered by the Securities Lending Agent. The securities lending agreement requires that loans are collateralized at all times in an amount equal to at least 102% of the value of any domestic loaned securities at the time of the loan, plus accrued interest. The use of loans of foreign securities, which are denominated and payable in U.S. dollars, shall be collateralized in an amount equal to 105% of the value of any loaned securities at the time of the loan plus accrued interest. The Fund receives compensation in the form of fees and earns interest on the cash collateral. The amount of fees depends on a number of factors including the type of security and length of the loan. The Fund continues to receive interest payments or dividends on the securities loaned during the borrowing period. Gain or loss on the value of securities loaned that may occur during the term of the loan will be for the account of the Fund. The Fund has the right under the terms of the securities lending agreement to recall the securities from the borrower on demand.

The securities lending agreement provides that, in the event of a borrower's material default, the Securities Lending Agent shall take all actions the Securities Lending Agent deems appropriate to liquidate the collateral, purchase replacement securities at the Securities Lending Agent's expense, or pay the Fund an amount equal to the market value of the loaned securities, subject to certain limitations which are set forth in detail in the securities lending agreement between the Fund and the Securities Lending Agent.

As of the end of the current fiscal period, the Fund had not loaned securities or received cash collateral for the loans. The Fund earned \$75 on securities lending interest income during the fiscal period.

## NOTE 6 – PURCHASES AND SALES OF SECURITIES

For the fiscal period ended May 31, 2023, purchases and sales of securities for the Fund, excluding short-term securities and in-kind transactions, were as follows:

	]	Purchases	Sales		
Guru Favorite Stocks ETF	\$	18,707,334	\$	18,845,848	

For the fiscal period ended May 31, 2023, in-kind transactions associated with creations and redemptions were as follows:

	Purchases	 Sales
Guru Favorite Stocks ETF	\$ -	\$ 398,860

For the fiscal period ended May 31, 2023, short-term and long-term gains on in-kind transactions were as follows:

	Shor	t Term	Long	g Term
Guru Favorite Stocks ETF	\$	42,457	\$	6,708

There were no purchases or sales of U.S. Government securities during the fiscal period.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) MAY 31, 2023 (UNAUDITED)

#### NOTE 7 – TAX INFORMATION

The components of tax basis cost of investments and net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) for federal income tax purposes at May 31, 2023 were as follows:

	Guru Favorite Stocks ETF
Tax cost of Investments	\$ 32,755,863
Gross tax unrealized appreciation	1,650,761
Gross tax unrealized depreciation	 (4,286,919)
Net tax unrealized appreciation (depreciation)	\$ (2,636,158)
Undistributed ordinary income	112,392
Undistributed long-term gain	 -
Total distributable earnings	 112,392
Other accumulated gain (loss)	(1,951,514)
Total accumulated gain (loss)	\$ (4,475,280)

Under tax law, certain capital and foreign currency losses realized after October 31 and within the taxable year are deemed to arise on the first business day of the Fund's next taxable year.

For the fiscal period ended November 30, 2022, the Fund did not defer any qualified late year losses.

At November 30, 2022, the Fund had the following capital loss carryforwards:

	Unlimited	Unlimited
	Short-Term	Long-Term
Guru Favorite Stocks ETF	\$ (1,951,514	-) \$ -

## NOTE 8 – DISTRIBUTIONS TO SHAREHOLDERS

The tax character of distributions paid by the Fund during the fiscal period ended May 31, 2023 and November 30, 2022 were as follows:

	F	iscal Period	Fiscal	Period
		Ended	En	ded
		May 31,	Noven	ıber 30,
		2023	2(	)22
		Ordinary Ordinary		inary
		Income Income		ome
Guru Favorite Stocks ETF	\$	117,903	\$	3,002

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) MAY 31, 2023 (UNAUDITED)

#### NOTE 9 – CHANGE IN INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

On June 9, 2023, the Board of Trustees ("Board") of the EA Series Trust (the "Trust"), including a majority of the Independent Trustees, upon the recommendation and approval of the Audit Committee of the Board, appointed Tait Weller, LLP ("Tait") to serve as the Fund's independent registered public accounting firm for the Fund for the fiscal year ended November 30, 2023. Tait was approved as the auditor for all funds in the Trust. Tait replaces Spicer Jefferies, LLP ("Spicer") in this role. Spicer did not resign and did not decline to stand for re-election.

The audit reports of Spicer on the financial statements of the Fund for the most recent fiscal period ended November 30, 2022, did not contain an adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion, nor was the report qualified or modified as to uncertainty, audit scope, or accounting principles.

During the most recent fiscal period ended November 30, 2022, there were no disagreements (as defined in Item 304(a)(1)(iv) of Regulation S-K and related instructions) with Spicer on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosure or auditing scope or procedure, which disagreements, if not resolved to the satisfaction of Spicer, would have caused it to make a reference in connection with its opinion to the subject matter of the disagreement.

During the most recent fiscal period ended November 30, 2022, neither the Fund, nor anyone on their behalf, consulted with Spicer with respect to: (i) the application of accounting principles to a specified transaction, either completed or proposed, or the type of audit opinion that might have been rendered on the Fund's financial statements, and no written report or oral advice was provided that Spicer concluded was an important factor considered by the Fund in reaching a decision as to any accounting, auditing or financial reporting issue; or (ii) any matter that was either the subject of a "disagreement" (as defined in Item 304(a)(1)(v) of Regulation S-K and related instructions) or a "reportable event" (as defined in Item 304(a)(1)(v) of Regulation S-K).

Spicer has furnished the Trust with a letter addressed to the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission stating that it agrees with the above statements. A copy of such letter, dated [], 2023 is attached as Attachment A to this exhibit.

## NOTE 10 – SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

In preparing these financial statements, management of the Fund has evaluated events and transactions for potential recognition or disclosure through the date the financial statements were issued. There were no transactions that occurred during the period subsequent to May 31, 2023, that materially impacted the amounts or disclosures in the Fund's financial statements.

Effective July 13th, 2023, Wesley Gray, Ph.d., and John Vogel, Ph.d., resigned as Principal Executive Officer and Principal Financial Officer of the Trust, respectively. Patrick Cleary and Sean Hegarty, CPA., were named their replacements as Principal Executive Officer and Principal Financial Officer of the Trust.

#### EXPENSE EXAMPLE MAY 31, 2023 (UNAUDITED)

As a shareholder of Guru Favorite Stocks ETF, you incur two types of costs: (1) transaction costs, including brokerage commissions on purchases and sales of Fund shares, and (2) 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.

The example is based on an investment of \$1,000 invested at the beginning of the most recent six-month period and held the entire period (December 1, 2022 to May 31, 2023).

#### **Actual Expenses**

The first line of the table below 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 first line under the heading entitled "Expenses Paid During the Period December 1, 2022 to May 31, 2023" to estimate the expenses you paid on your account during this period.

#### Hypothetical Example for Comparison Purposes

The second line 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's and other funds. To do so, compare this 5% hypothetical example with the 5% hypothetical examples that appear in the shareholder reports of the 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, such as brokerage commissions paid on purchases and sales of Fund shares. Therefore, the second line of the table is useful in comparing ongoing costs only and will not help you determine the relative total costs of owning different funds. If these transactional costs were included, your costs would have been higher. The information assumes the reinvestment of all dividends and distributions.

	Annualized Expense Ratio	Acc	Beginning Ending Account Value Account Value December 1, May 31,		Expenses Paid During Period December 1, 2022 to May 31, 2022		
Guru Favorite Stocks ETF <sup>1</sup>	Katio		2022		2023		2023
Actual	0.65%	\$	1,000.00	\$	1,015.40	\$	3.27
Hypothetical (5% annual return before expenses)	0.65%		1,000.00		1,021.69		3.28

1. The dollar amounts shown as expenses paid during the period are equal to the annualized six-month expense ratio multiplied by the average account value during the period, multiplied by 182/365, to reflect the one-half year period.

## LIQUIDITY RISK MANAGEMENT PROGRAM (UNAUDITED)

Pursuant to Rule 22e-4 under the Investment Company Act of 1940, the Trust, on behalf of the series of the Trust covered by this shareholder report (the "Fund"), has adopted a liquidity risk management program ("the Program") to govern the Trust's approach to managing liquidity risk. Rule 22e-4 seeks to promote effective liquidity risk management, thereby reducing the risk that the Fund will be unable to meet its redemption obligations and mitigating dilution of the interests of fund shareholders. The Trust's liquidity risk management program is tailored to reflect the Fund's particular risks, but not to eliminate all adverse impacts of liquidity risk, which would be incompatible with the nature of the Fund.

The Trust's Board of Trustees has designated the Chief Operating Officer of the Adviser as the Program Administrator, responsible for administering the Program and its policies and procedures.

At the July 26, 2022, meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Trust, the Program Administrator provided the Trustees with a report pertaining to the operation, adequacy, and effectiveness of implementation of the Program for the period ended March 31, 2022. The report concluded that the Program appeared effectively tailored to identify potential illiquid scenarios and to enable the Fund to deliver appropriate reporting. In addition, the report concluded that the Program is adequately operating, and its implementation has been effective. The report reflected that there were no liquidity events that impacted the Fund's ability to timely meet redemptions without dilution to existing shareholders. The report further described material changes that were made to the Program since its implementation.

There can be no assurance that the Program will achieve its objectives in the future. Please refer to the prospectus for more information regarding the Fund's exposure to liquidity risk and other principal risks to which an investment in the Fund may be subject.

# MANAGEMENT OF THE FUND

The table below sets forth certain information about each of the Trust's executive officers as well as its affiliated and independent Trustees.

Name, Address, and Year of Birth	Position(s) Held with Trust	Term of Office and Length of Time Served	Principal Occupation During Past 5 Years	Number of Funds in Fund Complex Overseen by Trustee	Other Directorships Held by Trustee During Past 5 Years
Independent Trustee	es				
Daniel Dorn Born: 1975	Trustee	Since 2014	Associate Professor of Finance, Drexel University, LeBow College of Business (2003 – present).	36	None
Michael S. Pagano, Ph.D., CFA Born: 1962	Trustee	Since 2014	The Robert J. and Mary Ellen Darretta Endowed Chair in Finance, Villanova University (1999 – present); Co-Editor of the Financial Review (2023 – present); Founder, Michael S. Pagano, LLC (business consulting firm) (2008 – present).	36	Citadel Federal Credit Union (pro bono service for non-profit)
Chukwuemeka (Emeka) O. Oguh Born: 1983	Trustee	Since 2018	Co-founder and CEO, PeopleJoy (2016 – present).	36	None
Interested Trustee*					
Wesley R. Gray, Ph.D. Born: 1980	Trustee and President	Since 2014	Founder and Executive Managing Member, EA Advisers (2013 – present); Founder and Executive Managing Member, Empirical Finance, LLC d/b/a Alpha Architect (2010 – present).	36	None

\* Dr. Gray is an "interested person," as defined by the Investment Company Act, because of his employment with and ownership interest in the Adviser.

Additional information about the Affiliated Trustee and Independent Trustees is available in the Statement of Additional Information (SAI).

# MANAGEMENT OF THE FUND (CONTINUED)

# Officers

Name, Address, and Year of Birth	Position(s) Held with Trust	Term of Office and Length of Time Served	Principal Occupation During Past 5 Years
Patrick R. Cleary Born: 1982	President and Chief Executive Officer; Secretary	Since 2023; Since 2015	Chief Operating Officer (2014 – 2022) and Managing Member (2014 – present), Alpha Architect, LLC; Chief Executive Officer of EA Advisers (2021 – present).
Sean Hegarty Born: 1993	Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer; Assistant Treasurer	Since 2023; 2022 – 2023	Chief Operating Officer, EA Advisers (2022 – present); Assistant Vice President – Fund Administration, U.S. Bank Global Fund Services (2018 – 2022); Staff Accountant, Cohen & Company (2015 – 2018).
Jessica D. Leighty Born: 1981	Chief Compliance Officer	Since 2022	Chief Compliance Officer, Alpha Architect (2021 – Present), Chief Compliance Officer, Snow Capital (2015 – 2021).
Brian P. Massaro Born: 1997	Assistant Treasurer	Since 2023	Chief Data Officer, EA Advisers (2023 – present); Assistant Operating Officer, EA Advisers (2022 – 2023); Mutual Funds Administrator, U.S. Bank Global Fund Services (2019 – 2022).

#### INFORMATION ABOUT PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS (UNAUDITED)

The Fund files its complete schedule of portfolio holdings for its first and third fiscal quarters with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") on Part F of Form N-PORT. The Fund's Form N-PORT is available without charge, upon request, by calling (215) 882-9983. Furthermore, you may obtain the Form N-PORT on the SEC's website at www.sec.gov. The Fund's portfolio holdings are posted on its website at https://www.gurufocusetf.com/.

## INFORMATION ABOUT PROXY VOTING (UNAUDITED)

A description of the policies and procedures the Fund uses to determine how to vote proxies relating to portfolio securities is provided in the Statement of Additional Information ("SAI"). The SAI is available without charge upon request by calling (215) 882-9983, by accessing the SEC's website at www.sec.gov, or by accessing the Fund's website at https://www.gurufocusetf.com/.

When available, information regarding how the Fund's voted proxies relating to portfolio securities during the twelve months ending June 30 is (1) available by calling (215) 882-9983 and (2) the SEC's website at www.sec.gov.

## FREQUENCY DISTRIBUTION OF PREMIUMS AND DISCOUNTS (UNAUDITED)

Information regarding how often shares of the Fund trades on an exchange at a price above (i.e., at premium) or below (i.e., at a discount) the NAV of the Fund is available, without charge, on the Fund's website at https://www.gurufocusetf.com/.

# PRIVACY POLICY (UNAUDITED)

EA Series Trust (the "Trust") is strongly committed to preserving and safeguarding the personal financial information of any customers of the Trust. Confidentiality is extremely important to us.

Regulation S-P requires, among others, each investment company to "adopt written policies and procedures that address administrative, technical, and physical safeguards for the protection of customer records and information." However, Pursuant to Regulation S-P's definition of "customer," the Trust currently does not have, nor does it anticipate having in the future, any customers. In addition, the Trust does not collect any non-public personal information from any consumers.

Nonetheless, the Trust has instituted certain technical, administrative and physical safeguards through which the Trust would seek to protect personal financial information about any customers from unauthorized use and access. First, technical procedures are used in order to limit the accessibility and exposure of Trust-maintained information contained in electronic form. If customer information were obtained by the Trust, such technical procedures would cover such information.

Second, administrative procedures that are in place, would be used to control the number and type of employees, affiliated and nonaffiliated persons, to whom customer information (if the Trust were to obtain any) would be accessible.

Third, physical safeguards have been established, which if customer information were obtained by the Trust, to prevent access to such information contained in hard-copy form.

As these procedures illustrate, the Trust realizes the importance of information confidentiality and security and emphasizes practices which are aimed at achieving those goals.

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