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TRADER REPORT

Weekly Trading Strategies







The stock market continued to pull back. Investors and traders are spooked, suggesting the route could continue pushing prices lower ST.

Noteworthy, the U.S. stock market issued a bearish signal just this week as both the Industrials and the Transportation Averages declined below critical lows & support after a string of lower highs.

A bearish Down Theory confirmation occurs when both the Industrials and the Transportation Averages fail to break key resistance, showing lower highs, and ultimately fall below key support. Just this past week, the Industrials broke below the Nov/Jan lows, while the Transports broke below the December low. Price action on both suggests stocks are in a bear market, and downside pressure could increase.

The expectation of a weaker U.S. economy is also affecting the outlook of the U.S. dollar index. Just last week, the dollar broke below key support at 106.50, showing extended weakness. The dollar is now holding at intermediate support just above 100, the 40-month MA. A break below could trigger a

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major reversal for the U.S. dollar index, but if it holds at the 40 month MA support and rebounds, it could resume its bullish rise. Do not count the U.S. dollar out as long as it's holding above critical support.

Consider, economic indicators from the U.S. continue to show a strong economy and resilient labor market despite last week's uptick in unemployment. It remains to be seen if the U.S. economy will contract ST or MT.



Not surprisingly, our resource companies have suffered during recent weakness. Copper producers are especially vulnerable, which is why we recently unloaded most of our exposure to them. Last week, we sold a full position in NGEX Minerals (NGXXF) for a 30% gain. Moreover, exposure to resources and energy represents only 16% of our total portfolio.

"We can't direct the wind, but we can adjust the sails" - **Thomas Monson**

Interestingly, the decline has been independent of copper itself, meaning copper has held strong and continues to look ripe for a longer-term or intermediate rise. Jumping back into these resource companies could be a good opportunity once weakness hollows out.

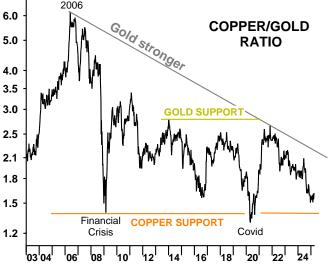
Even more interestingly, a comparison between copper and gold is very telling.

My next chart shows a copper-to-gold ratio, which means the price of copper divided by the price of gold. This chart is a great way to

determine relative strength and identify any shifts in momentum from one commodity to the next. More importantly, it reminds us that copper represents global economic growth, while gold represents stability.

The chart is from 2006, and it shows a strong decline favoring gold since then. More recently, since 2020, gold has also been outperforming copper. Moreover, notice that the chart is about to reach a low that has coincided with extreme conditions over

COPPER/GOLD RATIO REACHING KEY LEVEL 7.0 COPPER/GOLD



the past 20 years. This tells me we could be heading for a situation that causes gold to go parabolic. It also tells me that gold could soon cede strength to copper.

Weakness in the dollar has been offset by strength in gold. This past week, the gold universe rebounded after recent weakness. The bounce up is looking good. Gold is showing support near \$2850 and it's now ready to re-test \$3000. A break above this level and it's off to the races.

The gold market is very strong, and weakness could be short-lived. We recently sold a chunk of our exposure, the froth we had built at great profits. Since then, we've held solid and balanced exposure to senior, junior, and intermediate mines, as well as gold and silver mines.

KEY PRICES					
Name/Symbol	Mar 11,25 Price Change		Mar 04,25 Price		
Gold (GCJ25)	2920.90	0.30	2920.60		
Silver (SIH25)	33.15	0.77	32.38		
HUI (HUI)	328.40	14.69	313.71		
Copper (HGK25)	4.77	0.21	4.56		
Crude Oil (CLJ25)	66.25	-2.01	68.26		
S&P500	5572.07	-206.08	5778.15		
U.S.Dollar (DXH25)	103.27	-2.41	105.69		
30 Year T-Bond (ZBH25)	116.94	-1.28	118.22		
10 Year T-Note Yield	4.288	0.08	4.210		
13-week Treasury Bill	4.195	0.00	4.195		

ľve been waiting weakness or reconfirmed strength in the gold universe to buy more. However, we still have solid exposure, at nearly 50% of our total portfolio. We also have a strong cash position (35% of our total portfolio) and will continue to wait for the best opportunities to buy.

OPEN POSITIONS

PRECIOUS METALS: The gold universe is holding up incredibly well. The price of gold and silver is a trading day away from achieving critical highs, and many of the miners have consolidated, confirming key support that allows upside projection. Exposure to precious metals remains solid at 49% of total portfolio.





Gold Price:

- Holding well above bullish support at \$2750, the Feb 2024 uptrend. Moreover, a rise above \$3000 and it's off to the races!
- Keep a close eye on support during weakness. If \$2900 is clearly broken, a decline to support at \$2750 would be likely. A break below this level could then extend weakness further, to gold's next critical support at \$2500.
- Leading indicator under pressure below zero suggesting weakness remains.
- Have a full position. Hold.

Silver Price:

- Silver is testing resistance at \$33. A clear break above \$33 could push it to its next key resistance at \$35, the recent Oct 2024 peak. Silver remains bullish above the Mar 2024 uptrend at \$30.
- Keep a close eye on support during weakness. If \$30 is broken, a decline to silver's next support to the Aug 2024 lows near \$26.50 would be likely.
- Leading indicator bouncing up, but still testing the zero line.
- Overweight. Hold.







GOLD MINERS: Continue to hold near the recent highs. Most have not been able to break above the Oct peak but continue to show growing strength. If the miners have the strength to break above the Oct 2024 peak, the rise that follows could be parabolic! Notice the HUI Index, a gold miner index on the right. It's looking very strong above the Feb 2024 uptrend near 290. And if it breaks above 360, the Oct 2024 peak, it's off to the races!

Agnico Eagle Mines (AEM)

- Bullish above the Dec uptrend & ST support near \$95. If AEM holds above support and rises above the recent peak at \$102, it's off to the races! Consider, AEM has intermediate support at the mid channel line near \$90 and the Jun 2024 uptrend at \$82.
- Leading indicator is bouncing up but still struggling to break the zero line.
- Have a full position. Hold.

Alamos Gold (AGI)

- On a bullish path above the Dec uptrend but forming a bearish rising wedge pattern between the Dec uptrend and the top side of the Apr 2024 up channel. This means a break below \$22.50 could open the door to the pattern's target at \$20.
- Leading indicator is above the zero line, but struggling to stay above the red line showing slack could be developing.
- Have a full position after recently selling half. Hold. We'll be looking to buy back on further weakness.







Harmony (HMY)

- Bouncing up from the Dec uptrend & support, approaching a critical resistance near \$12.50. A break above this level could open the door to a continued upside.
- Leading indicator is bouncing up showing growing momentum.
- Have a full position. Hold.

JUNIOR MINERS: High-quality junior miners are holding their own. Although they remain down from the recent peak, they are also above key support levels, showing that upside momentum continues to grow.

Avino Silver & Gold Mines (ASM)

- Bouncing up from the lower mid channel line at \$1.10, showing growing support. As long as ASM stays above \$1.10, it'll likely continue to rise within both mid channel lines.
- Leading indicator is bouncing up from the lows, testing zero.
- Have a full position. Hold.

Banyan Gold Corp (BYAGF)

- Continues to pull back from the recent peak near \$0.18. Consider that although BYAGF broke above the Oct/Nov 2024 peak nominally, it remains a key resistance. BYAGF remains on a bullish uptrend above the Aug uptrend near \$0.135.
- Leading indicator under pressure below zero.
- Have a full position. Hold.







Vizsla Silver Corp (VZLA)

- Down, but not out! It continues to hold strong above the Feb 2024 uptrend & support, now near \$1.80. VZLA must now break back above \$2.20 to show renewed strength.
- Leading indicator is bouncing up from extreme lows, but still struggling to break free from the zero line.
- Have a full position. Hold.

SILVER MINERS: Continues to trend up on expectations of higher silver prices.

Hecla Mining Co (HL)

- Continues to hold above the lower mid channel line near \$5. However, it must rise above the Oct downtrend near \$6.50 to show signs of renewed strength that could propel HL to the top side of the Feb 2024 up channel near \$8.
- Leading indicator is on the rise, bouncing up from the lows, but it is still testing the zero line, suggesting that weakness is not over yet.
- Have a full position. Hold.

Wheaton Precious Metals (WPM)

- Bullish near the highs! WPM continues to consolidate after breaking above the Oct 2024 peak. It remains bullish above the recent resistance level near \$66.
- Leading indicator bouncing up, bullish above the zero line.
- Have a full position. Hold.







RESOURCES & ENERGY

COPPER: Struggling to break the Oct 2024 peak, but overall, very bullish near the recent highs. A break above \$4.80 could open the door to a continued rise to the May 2024 peak at \$5.20. Notice the leading indicator below the chart breaking above the red line, showing rising strength. Although the copper producers have been out of favor, they will ultimately follow copper higher. Last week we reduced exposure by taking profits on NGXXF. Total exposure to resources was further reduced to 16% of total portfolio.

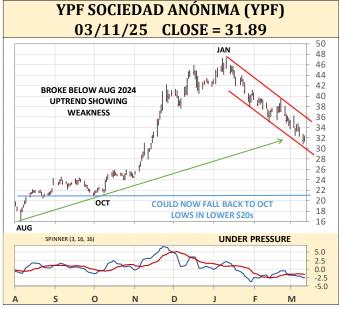
Ivanhoe Mines (IVN.TO)

- Continues to show weakness at the lows. Struggling to find a bottom. To reverse weakness, it must rise above the Dec downtrend near \$16. Until then, weakness will remain.
- Leading indicator has been bouncing from an extreme low but remains under pressure.
- Overweight. Hold.

NexGen Energy (NXE)

- Failed to break back above \$5 showing weakness. The decline from the Nov peak has reached 50% and could now start to show signs of a bottom.
- Leading indicator bottoming at extreme low.
- Overweight. Hold. We recently bot below \$5. If you are not in or looking to increase exposure, buy at mkt.





NGEX Minerals (NGXXF)

- Broke below the Jul uptrend & support level showing weakness. The chart now tells us, NGXXF could now decline to the Oct 2023 uptrend & support near \$7.50.
- Leading indicator is under pressure below the zero line, showing weakness growing.
- Out. We sold the rest of our position last week, before the decline, for a +30% gain! Stay out for now. I'll be keeping a close eye to buy back below \$8.

YPF, S.A. (YPF)

- Breaking the Aug uptrend & support near \$33 showing weakness growing. YPF could now fall back to lower \$20s. We'll be looking to buy more when weakness hollows out.
- Leading indicator is bearish below zero, approaching an extreme low.
- Have a full position. Hold. Wait for weakness to hollow out to buy more.

Good luck and good trading,



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TRADER SHEET							
Symbol	Trade Update &/or Current Position	Status B=Buy S=Sell O=Out H=Hold	Long or Short	Annual Divide nd Yield	Last Closing Price	Stops	Targets
	PRECIO	US ME	TALS PORTFOLIO (49%)				
GOLD (GCJ25)	Have a full position. Hold.	Н	\$1900 (Sept-21-20), \$1880 (Dec-23-20); \$1775 (Feb-17-21), \$1865 (May-25-21). Sold some at \$1900 for small gain. Bot: \$1795 (Jul-15-21) Sold some at \$1925 for 5% gain. Sold more at \$2030 for 10% gain. Sold more at \$2305 for 25% gain. Bot: \$2598 (Sept-18-24). AVG: \$2220.	0.00%	2920.90	Hold.	\$2800 & \$3000
PHYS	Alternative to trading gold in commodity markets.	Н	\$15.20 (Sept-21-20), \$15.15 (Dec-23-20), \$14.23 (Feb-17-21), \$14.90 (May-25-21), Sold some at \$15.20 for small gain. Bot \$14.25 (Jul-8-21). Sold some at \$14.85 for small gain. Sold more at \$15.80 for 10% gain. Sold more at \$17.80 for 25% gain. Bot: 19.83 (Sept-18-24). \$AVG: \$17.165.	0.00%	22.64	Hold.	-
SILVER (SIH25)	Overweight. Hold.	н	Bot: \$15.80 (Jul-17-19), \$16.50 (Aug-7-19), \$16.80 (Nov-8-19), \$12 (Mar-18-20), \$15.20 (May-6-20). Sold half for 17% gain (Jun-22); Sold more for a 70% gain (Aug-4-20). Bot: \$23 (Sept 23-20), \$25.50 (Dec-22-20). Sold some (Mar-31-21) for 14% gain. Bot: \$27.50 (May-21-21), \$23.95 (Oct-29-21). Sold half at \$19.20 for 17% loss. Bot: \$20.25 (Oct-5-22). Sold some at \$24 (Jan-23) for 11% gain. Bot: \$20.75 (Feb-27-23). Sold some at \$25.50 (Apr-2023) for 17% gain. Bot: \$21.90 (Oct-12-23). Sold some at \$24.30 for 13% gain. Bot: \$22.90 (Jan-11-24). Sold some at \$26.50 to protect a 20% gain. Bot: 32.90 (Feb-19-24) AVG: \$25.50	0.00%	33.147	Hold	ST: \$30 (Reached), MT: \$50
PSLV	Alternative to trading silver in commodity markets.	Н	Bot: 5.50 (Jul-17-2019), 6.25 (Aug-7-19), 6.19 (Nov-8-19), 4.65 (Mar-18-20) (AVG: 5.65). Sold half for 17% gain. Sold more at 9.50 for 70% gain (Aug-4-20). 8.20 (Sept-23-20), 8.87 (Dec-22-20). Sols some at 8.8.75 (Mar-31-21) for average 14% gain. Bot 9.99 (May-21-21), 8.35 (Oct-29-21). Sold half at 6.40 for 17% loss. 6.95 (Oct-5-22). Sold some at 8.20 for 11% gain. Bot: 7.08 (Oct-12-23). Sold some at 8.25 for 13% gain. Bot: \$7.60 (Jan-11-24) AVG:\$ 7.50	0.00%	11.15	Hold.	-
GOLD SHARES							
AEM	Have a full position. Hold.	Н	\$45.50 (Feb-22-23), \$46.50 (Mar-1-23), \$51 (May-24-23), \$51.90 (Jan-8-24). Sold some at \$65 (May-1-24) for 33% gain. Sold some at \$66 (Jun-5-24) for 43% profit. Bot: \$78.50 (Sept-3-24). Sold half at \$98 for 75% gain (Feb-26-25). AVG: \$56.15.		100.57	Hold.	\$89
AGI	Have a full position after recently selling half. Hold. We'll be looking to buy back on further weakness.	н	Bot: \$9.50 (Dec-16-22), \$9.90 (Feb-24-23), \$12.45 (Apr-27-23); Sold half at \$11.75 for 11% gain. Bot: \$11.75 (Sept-25-23). Sold half at \$14.35 for 30% gain; Bot: \$12.48 (Jan-10-24), \$12.15 (Jan-31-24). Sold some at \$15 for 26% gain (May-1-24). Sold some at \$16.55 (Jun-5-24) for 40% gain. Bot: \$18.90 (Aug-28-24), \$18.90 (Nov-6-24). Sold half to protect a 45% gain! Feb-26-25). AVG: \$16.50.	0.75%	23.95	Hold.	-
НМҮ	Have a full position. Hold.	Н	\$5.90 (Jan-3-24), \$5.45 (Jan-17-24). Sold some at \$8.75 for 55% gain (May-1-24). Bot: \$9.70 (Aug-30-24), \$9.50 (Nov-11-24). Sold half to protect a 35% gain (Feb-26-25). AVG: \$8.25.	0.52%	12.05	Hold.	-
JUNIOR MINERS							
ASM	Have a full position. Hold.	Н	\$0.77 (Apr-10-24), \$0.72 (Apr-15-24), \$0.95 (Jun-4-24); Sold some at \$1.08 for 33% gain (Jul-24-24). Bot \$0.89 (Aug-14-24), \$1.12 (Nov-6-24). Sold half to protect a 45% gain (Feb-26-25). AVG: \$0.91.		1.41	-	\$1.35 (reached!) & \$2
BYAGF	Have a full position. Hold.	Н	\$0.1475 (Nov-27-24), \$0.138 (Dec-11-24). AVG: \$0.142		0.16	2dc below \$0.12	\$0.35 & \$1.
VZLA	Have a full position. Hold.	Н	\$1.20 (Mar-13-23), \$1.40 (Apr-24-23), \$1.15 (Mar-6-24); Sold some at \$1.85 for 48% gain. Sold more at \$1.70 for 36% gain. Bot: \$1.70 (Aug-14-24). Sold some at \$1.98 to protect a 40% profit (Feb-26-25). AVG: \$1.40.	0.00%	2.05	Hold	\$2.2 (reached!), \$2.60 & \$3.

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		SII	LVER SHARES				
HL	Have a full position. Hold.	Н	\$4.40 (Jan-3-24), \$4.05 (Jan-17-24), \$4.98 (Apr-26-24) Sold some at \$5.50 for 24% gain (Jun-5-24). Bot: \$4.92 (Jun-25-24). Sold some at \$6.05 for 37% gain (Jul-24-24), Bot: \$5.90 (Nov-6-24). Sold some at \$5.30 for a 6% gain (Feb-26-25). AVG: \$5.	0.52%	5.43	Hold	\$7
WPM	Have a full position. Hold.	н	Bot: \$39 (Mar-8-23), \$47.50 (May-19-23), \$44.50 (Jun-16-23). Sold some at \$48.50 for 11% profit. \$45.70 (Jan-22-24). Sold some at \$53 for 20% gain! (May-1-24). Sold more at \$53.45 to protect a 21% gain (Jun-5-24). Bot: \$53.25 (Aug-7-24), \$57 (Jan-6-25). Sold half at \$70.25 to protect a 36% gain (Feb-26-25). AVG: \$51.50.	1.35%	71.07	Hold.	\$52 & \$65
	RESOURCES & ENERGY (16%)						
INDUSTRIAL METALS							
IVN.TO (IVPAF.OT C)	Overweight. Hold.	Н	Bot: \$10.90 (Feb-24-23), \$11 (May-11-23). Sold half at \$12.55 for 15% gain.Bot: \$11.80 (Aug-24-23), \$10.80 (Nov-15-23). Sold some at \$14.25 for 27% gain (Jan-24-24). Sold more at \$19 for 70% gain! (May-1-24). Bot: \$17.90 (Jun-7-24), \$15.45 (Aug 14-24), \$15.78 (Feb-19-25). AVG: \$14.50.	0.00%	13.59	Hold.	\$22.50
NXE	Overweight. Hold. We recent bot below \$5. If you are not in or looking to increase exposure, buy at mkt.	Н	\$6.80 (Jan-8-25), \$6.15 (Jan-27-25), 4.80 (Mar-3-25). AVG: \$5.90.		4.74	2dc below \$6.25.	\$9 & \$12
NGXXF	Out. We sold the rest of our position last week, before the decline, for a +30% gain! Stay out for now. I'll be keeping a close eye to buy back below \$8.	0	\$6.40 (Jul-16-24), \$8 (Oct-9-24), \$7.95 (Nov-6-24). Sold half at \$9.40 to protect a 26% gain (Jan-2025). Sold the rest at \$9.65 to protect a 30% gain (Mar-5-25). AVG: \$7.45.	0.00%	9.18	Hold.	\$7.75 (reached!) & 10 (reached!)
YPF	Have a full position. Hold. Wait for weakness to hollow out to buy more.	Н	\$16.90 (Dec-13-23), \$17.25 (Dec-21-23), \$16 (Jan-24-24). Sold some at \$18.25 to protect 10% gain. Bot: \$20 (Apr-3-24). Sold some at \$20.85 to protect 16% profit. (Jun-4-24). Sold more at \$40 to protect 120% profit. Bot: \$35 (Feb-25-25). AVG: \$23.50.	0.00%	31.89	1dc below \$15.50	\$40.

Trading Strategy

GCRU Trading is all about achieving profits by trading stocks, commodities and bonds. We have a diversified approach using companies with great fundamentals offering great value compared to the broader market. Trades are driven mainly by technical analysis but stocks are picked based on their fundamentals, momentum and their overall strength in their sector. All recommended companies are great assets, and even though we trade short and intermediate trends, they are worthwhile keeping longer term if you're building a longer-term portfolio.

We also believe in an approach that allows us to average in and average out. This is important because averaging in near a low, and averaging out near a peak gives us great profit advantages.

Our portfolio is designed for you to follow it down to the penny, but you can also use it as a reference or guide. Or you can just use the individual trades we're constantly coming up with.

The track record we keep takes into account all of the trades executed. It doesn't take into account performance on cash, dividends nor does it contemplate associated fees or expenses.

For trading purposes, we consider a full position to be one that is 4% of our total portfolio. We tend to buy partial positions (consisting of 2% of total portfolio) and at any given moment we could be overweight, meaning owning more than a full position.

On the trader sheets found in the final pages of each issue, you'll see a reference to our positioning, be it overweight, full, reduced or small. I also include next to each portfolio section, the percentage allocated to that particular sub portfolio.

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ABBREVIATIONS			
	1-day close (the share price must close		
	above or below the indicated price level,		
1dc	before our recommendation is activated)		
2dc	2-day close (consecutive)		
bot	bought		
CAD\$	Canadian dollar		
H&S	head & shoulder		
LOC	line on close		
LT	long term		
MT	medium term		
NL	neckline		
PF	portfolio		
PO	price objective		
Recom	recommended		
RH&S	reverse head & shoulder		
RS	relative strength		
ST	short term		
Sym/tri	symmetrical triangle		
Tgt	target		
Unch	unchanged		
Vol	volume		
Wk	week		
Ystdy	yesterday		
С	close		

below the slower confirming line. Upside crosses in the lower range of positive territory offer the most reliable signals for longs; downside crosses in the top range of negative territory for shorts. Avoid trading against the timing line, i.e., buying/selling if the timing line is in corrective mode (against direction of trade) unless the confirming line is positioning for a new 'confirming cycle'. It's important to always be aware of location, direction & cycling phase of the confirming line. Spinner signals are more effective in trending mkts than in trading ranges where indicators such as Stochastic & Williams %R should be used.

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