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Stocks Vol (VIX) hits 65! What Now?



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I think the 1 hour meeting was great, it was informative and I think it would help those that are interested in a system

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*Thank You,
Randy B.*

Get to know option professor on one of online webinar as a speaker, and was impressed by his concise way explaining of market movement. During educational hour with him got clear understanding how to use different MA and RSI, as a main tools to catch a movement in right direction. Definitely recommend to receive education from him

Oleg B.

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I have seen many things over the years and VIX explosions are one of them. I told readers that APRIL saw a spike in the VIX from 13-21 after EARNINGS and I suspected after Q2 EARNINGS a spike this time too. Of course, a spike to 65 only comes when you have LIQUIDITY problems caused by an EVENT. Here we had the JOBD REPORT trigger the SAHM RULE so everyone was yelling FIRE in the movie theatre.

As I warned traders yesterday #1 VIX at 65, S&P 500 hitting 5120 BUT CLOSING ABOVE 5173, the ISM SERVICES number ABOVE 50 again And TURNAROUND TUESDAY had me believing that the market makers (Citadel ect) had bought enough stocks at the lows to see a rally EXACTLY what has happened. I said BOND yields (10 yr. Treasury) saw a panic into support 3.5%-3.75% and now yields are back up.

Knee jerk reactions happen just like when you throw a ball off a tall building. BELOW I'll share some of my views on the various markets

Growth Scare or Reversion? Like a pancake, every story has 2 sides. THIS IS THE REVERSION CASE--Even Claudia Sahm questions her "Rule". I heard she thinks pandemic employee hoarding (remember it was tough to get people) is just normalizing. An Unemployment rate of 4.3% is still LOW and the participation rate for prime aged Americans is 84% the best since 2001! Wages rose less than expected BUT wages are still rising. GDP is still growing. Consumer spending may have moderated but not off a cliff. This set of facts support a reversion- rebound

THIS IS THE CASE FOR RECESSION- of course the SAHM RULE has a track record of 13-0 since World War II. The ISM numbers on both manufacturing AND services are UNDER 50 suggesting contraction. Credit Card Delinquencies are at the highest since 2012 and repos on autos up 23%. The Leading Economic Indicators (LEI) looked lousy. The Fed has wanted a slowdown and just like when they wanted inflation-got it:)

One last concern on the jobs market is temporary help employment is seeing big cuts which is sometimes a prelude to letting go full timers
Pick Your Poison:)

QUICK TAKES-

STOCKS- Is the REVERSION complete? Way too early to tell but reversion POTENTIAL is still much lower (5000-4800 former high), BUT now we have POTENTIAL upside reversion to S&P 500 5350 (hit today) or 5550. VIX may see support at 20 and a trading range develop unless a quick reversion UP going into NVDA earnings at EOM. INTEREST RATES will stabilize and may turn higher if economic news is more like ISM services above 50. US DOLLAR as we said TOPPED at 106-107 and hung on for dear life at 102 yesterday ABOVE 105 Dollar rallies. OVERSEAS market having a bounce but don't forget what I said...If this is RECESSION (SAHM RULE), global markets hurt, if REVERSION then buy the dips.

OTHER MARKETS

OIL- if we hold 68-72 AND the economy doesn't get hit with job losses, my guess is REVERSION UP. Watch ENERGY STOCKS-more Vol soon?

Gold-down today and having a hard time holding gains like everything else (REVERSION potential to \$2300-\$2200 if we break \$2350)

BITCOIN- you either believe Tom Lee on CNBC that a massive rally by EOY is real or not. Me? I go with the flow, and for now the flow broke.

Goldman Sachs Commodity Index GSCI is on MAJOR SUPPORT 529, if it breaks OIL_GOLD AGS in trouble/Holds=bargains Failed at 600 2 times.

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Jim

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2. JB Hunt (JBHT) July 19 170Call/150Put @\$269 Increase 300%+
3. Wells Fargo (WFC) July 19 63Call/59Puts @\$119 Increase 200%+
4. General Motors (GM) July 19 47Call/46 Puts @\$100 Increase 200%+
5. Delta Airlines (DAL) July 19 50Call/44Put @ \$135 Increase 100%+
6. Halliburton (HAL) July 26 34CALL/32PUT @ \$100 Increase 200%+
7. Alcoa (AA) 42Call/36Put @\$139 Increase 200%+
8. Abbot Labs July 26 107Call/100Put @\$269 Increase 10% +
9. United Airlines July 26 (UAL) 47Call/41Put @\$195 Increase 30%+
10. Taiwan Semiconductor July 26 (TSM) 215Call/180Put @ \$500 Increase 400%+

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