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Favorite Trading Concept

This is an example of a favorite concept of mine. It is something I look for every day. Since this is intended for somebody who is not in the trading room with me or taking the seminar program I wanted to give you an idea of how I apply the technical concepts... [CLICK TO KEEP READING](#)

A Simple Example Of The Edge I Always Look For

The concept shown in this video is playing a stock with a nice pattern, but timing it with a market bias. If you trade the market... [CLICK TO KEEP READING](#)

The Grass Is Always Greener

I am reminded of the stories of successful people, but two different stories. On one hand, successful people are always prepared for anything. They always have a backup plan, a way out, and.... [CLICK TO KEEP READING](#)

Day Trading And Swing Trading, There's A Big Difference

Every night I scan "a bunch" of charts on the daily time frame looking for setups that are called "swing setups". However you probably... [CLICK TO KEEP READING](#)

What Do You Have On Your Screen?

This little lesson applies to long-term trading/investing as well as day trading. I am going to use the day trading example from yesterday... [CLICK TO KEEP READING](#)

Follow Up To Tuesday Evening's Special Event

Many of you were in attendance Tuesday night for 'Strategy vs. Speculation... One of the big things I preach over and over is... [CLICK TO KEEP READING](#)

Strategy, Entry, Trading Futures?

I am sending this to all members with a two-fold purpose. First, it is a reiteration of my many comments about... [CLICK TO KEEP READING](#)

Follow Up Comments

I had a couple of follow-up comments to yesterday's educational email, regarding the pros and cons of futures. Let me emphasize what... [CLICK TO KEEP READING](#)

One Quick Thought

If you are new to trading / investing or new to doing it on your own, you may be taking the approach of doing things very differently while learning. It's likely you were even taught... [CLICK TO KEEP READING](#)

Patience

To make money you need to know how to read charts. Period. It's that simple and there is no discussion... [CLICK TO KEEP READING](#)

The Use Of 'Gaps' In Trading

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Good Trading Is Boring

One of the most difficult things for me to get across to experienced traders is that good trading is boring. For new traders it's not difficult, it's impossible. That's why... [CLICK TO KEEP READING](#)

Thoughts On How To Use A (Any) Trading Room

I have more than an opinion on this, I think I have the correct answer. I personally am the type... [CLICK TO KEEP READING](#)

The Market Situation

Except for a couple of months here and there the charts of been accurately readable for as long as I can remember. As many of you know I have had... [CLICK TO KEEP READING](#)

The Most Important Thing About Day Trading

This is simply giving you an example of what I think the most important thing is to day trading. If you're out trading on your own or... [CLICK TO KEEP READING](#)

The Aftermath

Once we get to the aftermath of the coronavirus there will perhaps be some changes that stay with us. I have to think that all of these will be good changes because they come about from a learning process... [CLICK TO KEEP READING](#)

Follow Up On 'The Market Situation'

There are people and/or institutions who try to make a name for themselves purely for commercial reasons and to call... [CLICK TO KEEP READING](#)

A Break Out That 'Failed'

Here is the daily chart of HD as it looked before open on May 29. Note that the high two days prior and seven days prior... [CLICK TO KEEP READING](#)

Proper Day Trading

This is a very simple short comment that does apply to all traders/investors to some extent but was aimed specifically at day traders. This was sent in a 'Note to the Room' which goes out... [CLICK TO KEEP READING](#)

A Mistake That KILLS Many Day Traders

This is a trade from today. It was short of the market. The chart shown below is the SPY, I use the futures but typically find and manage the trade... [CLICK TO KEEP READING](#)

The Scanning For Day Trades Session Tuesday Night

You should be scanning for very specific patterns. They naturally may be different according to your unique preferences but you should have a firm set of standards in mind for... [CLICK TO KEEP READING](#)

Today's Trading And Morning Prep In The DTS Trading Room

If you struggled as a day trader today, it may be because you had the wrong market bias or just a bad watchlist. I had a clear bias today so recorded the morning prep... [CLICK TO KEEP READING](#)

Using A Trading Room

To some of you the words "day trading" may have a negative connotation because you've perhaps been in rooms where the trades last seconds and are impossible to participate in and you feel.... [CLICK TO KEEP READING](#)

What Is Consistent Trading?

I will sometimes have a newer member in the room who sits through a week of trading and then makes an email request to me. He or she wants every day to be more uniform. They like to see... [CLICK TO KEEP READING](#)

My Favorite Movie For Traders

If you have listened to me speak more than once you probably noticed that on many topics, I'm very emphatic. There's nothing to discuss. It's not because I'm stubborn or illogical, is because there... [CLICK TO KEEP READING](#)

A Few Hard Facts

Training/investing for yourself is about making money. It's not about feeling good. It's not about excuses. It is a business that deserves to be planned and executed the same as if you are building a... [CLICK TO KEEP READING](#)

Improving Your Odds Daytrading

An amazing concept if you are not aware... I personally like both day trading and long-term investing. But this article is about a simple way to improve your odds day trading. This was meant to go out earlier in the week, the charts below refer to... [CLICK TO KEEP READING](#)

Test Your Knowledge

Take the test first. There are 14 charts you will see below. Some are technical questions that require some chart knowledge. Some are more opinions anyone could have, but you will be surprised at what they reveal. Based on the answers I have to say we had a pretty.... [CLICK TO KEEP READING](#)

An Example Of "Math"

Friday I only took one trade and it lost $\frac{1}{4}$ of an R. I had a lot of stuff on the screen I liked but just couldn't seem to catch the right entries and was being very picky and patient because it was kind of a wild market. The trade was... [CLICK TO KEEP READING](#)

A Moment In Time Example

The “Moment in Time” is a term I use that I feel is one of the key concepts that are at the heart of my technical trading. But it’s not all that easy to explain, and it is almost impossible to explain if you don’t have the type of technical training that... [CLICK TO KEEP READING](#)

Today’s Trading Day

Every evening, or in the morning before the market opens, I typically send a first draft of the watchlist for the day to the members of the DTS Trading Room. Today before the market opened, I had several comments, and I wanted to summarize those... [CLICK TO KEEP READING](#)

An Educational Note To Any Active Trader/Investor

On some of these, I may make a comment about the day, and sometimes I expand the comments to make a point of some kind. Last week I made some extended comments because we have been a little sideways on the daily chart and in my view... [CLICK TO KEEP READING](#)

You Are Trading NOT For Today; But For The Long Term

Some of these comments below were sent to members of the DTS trading room recently. I saved it to add some comments and to send to everyone as I thought this very short and simple message is at the heart of many traders failing or succeeding... [CLICK TO KEEP READING](#)

One Comment On My Style Of Day Trading

This is a day trading example, although the same concepts can be applied to the long term. Everyone is a little different. There are many “right” ways to trade that make money. There are many “wrong” ways to trade that will NOT make you money... [CLICK TO KEEP READING](#)

You Can’t Do That! Part One – Fundamentals

Flash back to the beginning of September of this year (2022). The Long Term Trader just issued a short on CNP (CenterPoint Energy). “Paul, you can’t do that; energy stocks are... [CLICK TO KEEP READING](#)

The Power Of Technical Analysis

This is an educational email with the purpose of showing you exactly what you can do with technical analysis. This example is coming from the DTS Daily Market Letter. This has nothing to do with... [CLICK TO KEEP READING](#)

You Can't Do That! Part Two – Technically Speaking

Flash back to the beginning of September of this year (2022). The Long Term Trader just issued a short on CNP (CenterPoint Energy). “Paul, you can't do that; that is a break out on an uptrend on the daily chart, this is very bullish!... [CLICK TO KEEP READING](#)

Not Getting Stuck In The Middle

This little educational piece is about one little trick or tip if you will, that you can use in your management. If you heard me speak more than 10 minutes, you probably know that I feel that your success as a trader/investor will eventually lie... [CLICK TO KEEP READING](#)

Perhaps The Most Important Lesson I Can Teach

This is perhaps one of the greatest examples and teaching moments since I have been around. And I want to share it with everyone, not just subscribers. It is one that even the average astute trader... [CLICK TO KEEP READING](#)

The Power Of Technical Analysis

If you have listened to more than a handful of recorded events on the DTS Free Stuff Page, you likely have heard me talk about this topic before. I always like to back up what I discuss with some great examples, and we had... [CLICK TO KEEP READING](#)

Another Example Of “A Versus C+”

The name of the stock has been withheld for the moment.. You can see... There is a black arrow with the letter “A” which is by the last bar on the chart and the focal point of this discussion. What are your... [CLICK TO KEEP READING](#)

My Least Favorite Setup

Every once in a while trading is like golf. It has some similarities. When you are trading, it often comes down to a battle with yourself, or a “battle between your ears”, just like in golf. And for me there is another similarity. No matter how bad you shoot, if on the 18th fairway you hit that 3 wood 230 yards on to the green, you are coming back. You you better believe that is the only shot you... [CLICK TO KEEP READING](#)

A Follow Up To The “Last Educational Event” Email

While editing the recording of the last DTS Event, and while preparing it to be sent, I had a lot going through my mind about potential students and my role. I rarely send an email like this, and you may “unsubscribe” before finishing, but it may also hit home... [CLICK TO KEEP READING](#)

From The Last Bi-Weekly Scanning Session

If you have attended some of the DTS bi-weekly scanning sessions (every other Monday at 5 o'clock), I hope you have enjoyed them. Usually, the last half of the session I take comments from the guests who are asking me to look at their stock picks for long-term positions. I don't think a session... [CLICK TO KEEP READING](#)

Self Analysis

In trading there are SO many things that you hear as advice that seem to be the professional's answer, but they are not. It is kind of like the doctor saying 'go home and rest' no matter what your ailment is. The advice is safe, it is not bad, it comes from a doctor. It must be right. But is... [CLICK TO KEEP READING](#)

A Trading / Investing Lesson With A Quiz

As I have mentioned many times, good trading / investing is not hard, and not hard to learn, but there are many moving parts if you really want to get the odds in your favor. There are many things to understand in technical analysis even beyond the... [CLICK TO KEEP READING](#)

What Is Involved In Trading

I am calling this an educational email, and it IS. And it is important, But it is not a 'chart lesson'. It is about the misconceptions of what trading really is. As I hear from newer (I consider 'newer' to be anyone new, or anyone NOT making money consistently) traders...
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You Can't Short That!

I have emphasized, even in many free educational events, that you have to understand all of the "3 legs of the stool" I refer to in order to make money in trading / investing. Superior technical understanding, math and probabilities, and... [CLICK TO KEEP READING](#)

"I Just Had A Gut Feeling"

DTS Member Impromptu Session Follow Up – My gut stinks. My gut is better than yours . Want a great trading strategy that requires very little training? Just find a new (or not so new) trader and when ever he says he has a "gut", do the opposite. I am in the unusual position of getting tons of emails from people I don't know and find it interesting... [CLICK TO KEEP READING](#)

Follow The Trend – Easy Concept, Right?

Yesterday, Tuesday, the market was up over 2.5% in just one day. So when someone saw that I had a triple the goal day (day trading), they were shocked to see that I had no longs. Only three trades, all shorts. But Paul, what about the golden rule of... [CLICK TO KEEP READING](#)

Taking That Second Swing (When To?)

If you are wondering what the title of this educational article even means, read on. It is a very important topic that I would have to deem as being half technical and half psychological. It does however, apply primarily to daytrading. The concept would still...
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What A Miss!

DTS Member Impromptu Session Follow Up – Saying you “missed” a trade can have a variety of meanings. You “may” have missed it. But that is not likely. It “may” be educational to review, if that is your purpose. But most often it shows the trader does NOT have a concept of... [CLICK TO KEEP READING](#)

Don't Throw Out That Symbol!!!

Here is an issue I talk a lot about in the DTS Mastering Gaps course, but really applies to all of trading. If a trader does not have the knowledge to recognize a good pattern, it has a two-pronged effect. The most common one, and the most feared one, is that... [CLICK TO KEEP READING](#)

Daily Chart Versus Day Trading

You just received an email with links to the DTS educational event from Wednesday night. I had a couple email questions after the event I thought I would include a follow-up email to simply address one issue. The basic question was, “how could a daily chart not ever be okay for intraday trading, or what do you want to see... [CLICK TO KEEP READING](#)

Market Manipulation

Is the market manipulated? This article is going to address that in a very firm positive way. But to answer the question, it will depend on two things. First, how do you define “manipulation”? Second, for what purpose are you asking the question? I've addressed the topic indirectly in many forms but let me give you... [CLICK TO KEEP READING](#)

Oh That TSLA

A few days ago I had to look up something on one of the “Trade of the Week” videos I put out. While I was looking, I just happened to notice something, it really caught my eye. ONE of the recent videos had over 3 times the views that the others did. Hmmm, why was that? Over a holiday weekend? NO. A special thumbnail? NO, just the same as ALL the rest. Ohhh, this was a Trade of the Week video that just happened to be... [CLICK TO KEEP READING](#)

What Really Matters

I have always emphasized the supreme need to focus on what really matters in trading and investing. I think the biggest impediment for new traders is looking at “all the wrong things”. So when great examples of what I preach show up, I like to emphasize them. Today was... [CLICK TO KEEP READING](#)

A Discipline Test For Day Traders

I have mentioned this to room members in the past. But the idea resurfaced to me today about the time the market was ready to open. My message to the room was that this was a low odds day for three reasons. The market concept today was wide and sloppy, no clear path early. Sure, you could guess, but there was... [CLICK TO KEEP READING](#)

Planning the Day as a Day Trader

I sent this out to the room members and decided to expand on it a little as a educational lesson. While it does apply for long-term trading, it's less of an issue because as a daytrader we are facing changes every single day. The topic is the concept of having a strategic plan for the day. I don't mean being prepared, and I don't mean watchlists. I mean when you're at... [CLICK TO KEEP READING](#)

Market Bias v. Market Trades and the Market Today

Every day I pull together as intricate of a market bias that I can using charts and written words. I do this for a subscription letter that I send out called the daily market letter, but even when I wasn't writing a letter for anyone I did this just for myself. Naturally I also used that bias... [CLICK TO KEEP READING](#)

Making Money on a Breakout

Take a look at the setup on the charts below. We have a consolidation on the 60 minute chart, in an uptrend. And the daily was in an uptrend. Is this something you would recognize the way you look at charts? STOP, seriously, take a look... Is it?... [CLICK TO KEEP READING](#)

The Ultimate Proof of Price Movement

If you follow me, the question about what makes prices (the market, stocks, forex, ETS, commodities) move is not a question. It never was. You will never make a penny understanding the economy or fundamentals. That is a... [CLICK TO KEEP READING](#)

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Excuses – Edition #17

One of the last podcasts I did was about “Excuses” and I have done numerous articles in the past about this topic. There’s a reason I feel this is an important topic and I will conclude this lesson with that reason. The recent excuse I see all over that has been.. [CLICK TO KEEP READING](#)

Separate Account

There seems to be a huge human tendency to want to “figure things out” for themselves in the market, or at least to trade based on their personal opinion or experiences. As you know this is a huge mistake. And it’s not my opinion it is simply a fact. You can figure.. [CLICK TO KEEP READING](#)

