

Strategy Session

June 12, 2025

Scott provided a comprehensive market strategy update, noting strength in the major indexes (SPY, QQQ), despite some geopolitical headline risks related to the Middle East. He pointed out that PPI came in lower than expected, which supported market strength into the close. However, volume signals and resistance near all-time highs suggest caution. Small caps (IWM/TNA) and commodities (URA, gold, silver) are showing strength, while energy stocks like XLE may benefit if conflict escalates.

Scott emphasized watching the 21-day EMA as a key support level across many setups and highlighted specific stocks like Nvidia, Amazon, Microsoft, Morgan Stanley, and Goldman Sachs. He also discussed recent additions to Dan's active trade list—Sports Trader Group (SARD) and Carmen Holdings (KRMN)—both showing actionable setups with defined stops. In crypto, weakness in Bitcoin and Solana triggered some risk reduction, and MicroStrategy (MSTR) saw partial position trimming. A key macro highlight was the U.S. dollar making a multi-year low, supporting commodity strength and risk assets.

Next Steps:

- 1. Traders to monitor SPY and QQQ around all-time highs for either breakout continuation or consolidation.
- 2. Watch IWM/TNA for follow-through, especially if small caps regain strength.
- 3. Keep a close eye on XLE and USO in case of rising geopolitical tensions.
- 4. Track uranium and gold-related names like URA, CCJ, NEM, and AEM for setups near support.
- 5. Consider entries in stocks like Nvidia (>145.20), Amazon (above 218), MS (above 133.60), and GS near the 21-day EMA with tight stops.
- Monitor crypto for further downside; reassess positions in BTC, ETH, SOL, and MSTR accordingly.
- 7. Watch SARD and KRMN for continuation from Dan's active trade list, using the 21-day EMA as a reference for stops.
- 8. Be aware of macro factors like the weakening U.S. dollar and declining yields, which may favor commodities and risk assets.

Transcript:

- 0:02: Hey everyone, good evening, it's Scott at Scott Trades on Twitter with your strategy session.
- 0:08: It's Thursday, June 12th, 2025.
- 0:11: I hope you had a great day.
- 0:12: Nice update here on Spy.
- 0:14: We did close near the highs.
- 0:16: We are down slightly after hours, and there are some, just headline risk that's out there right now in terms of the Middle East, though we did have PPI out today and PPI came in lower than expected.
- 0:27: I like the fact that we have some buying into the clothes, so maybe this near term after-hour action is.
- 0:33: Just a nothing burger.
- 0:35: The trend is up, the trend is intact, and that's really all that matters here in terms of the overall market.
- 0:41: Same thing here on the queues.
- 0:43: One thing I will point out is we did have a bit of a higher volume sell-off yesterday compared to today's lower volume up day.



- 0:51: Important to note that we are coming up to The all-time high, and so I think it's normal to consolidate in and around the all-time high before a potential break higher.
- 1:03: So looks like normal price action right here, but of course we'll watch to see what happens over the weekend in terms of geopolitical risk.
- 1:11: IWM back down to the 8AEMA.
- 1:14: We have been watching the small caps and talking about TNA as a way to trade the small caps with a little more leverage.
- 1:21: I mentioned that the TNA 200 day moving average is still well above price, so if this does continue higher, I think you have a nice risk reward here on TNA.
- 1:31: IWM rejected at the 200 day moving average.
- 1:35: Again, low volume on the day today, so it does.
- 1:37: Seem like the market is a little tentative as it thinks about what might happen in the Middle East.
- 1:44: US President Trump announcing today that he thinks something could happen soon if talks between the US and Iran do break down.
- 1:52: So that's gonna be something that we're going to be watching to see if the market actually cares about that.
- 1:57: Sometimes what will happen, and we saw that happen, recently, is we will get if if there is some sort of conflict.
- 2:03: We typically will get a negative reaction to the downside, at least for a day or two, but a lot of times that ends up being a buying opportunity.
- 2:12: And any conflict, as I mentioned this morning, could be good for XLE.
- 2:16: We're seeing XLE climb up closer to the 200 day moving average.
- 2:20: So keep an eye on oil, USO, keep an eye on XLE if there is some sort of conflict going on, it could be good for energy stocks.
- 2:30: Speaking of energy stocks, keep an eye on URA uranium.
- 2:34: Reaching and hitting new highs here today, the trend is strong, though it is a bit extended above all the key moving averages.
- 2:40: Watch URA and CCJ for a pullback.
- 2:44: It's a bit high above the 8 day right now.
- 2:47: Gold is holding up OK, and gold could be a positive.
- 2:50: If we do have geopolitical risk.
- 2:52: I mentioned potentially taking a position in and around the 8 day and 21 day here the other day, and that looks like it's working.
- 3:00: We're now above this clear down or soaping trend line, good volume on the day, and some buying into the clothes as well, though that candle isn't super bullish, it just seems like a bit of a weird Last minute candle here, yeah, there we go.
- 3:12: That's why.
- 3:13: Nice buying in the second last minute of the day, though there was a little selling, I think that the gold trade could continue to work as long as we hold up above that downward sloping trend line.



- 3:24: Silver also looking OK.
- 3:26: It's still accelerated a bit off the 8 day EMA.
- 3:29: It's a bit extended here.
- 3:31: To trade this, I'd probably want to have it on an hourly chart or a two-hour chart or something like that, just because it is a bit extended on the daily chart, just a hard pattern to buy, a hard setup to buy, unless you're buying momentum and a move above 3360.
- 3:47: Banks are holding up OK.
- 3:49: Clear support down here on the 21 day EMA on XLF.
- 3:52: We'll look at a handful of banks tonight.
- 3:54: Semiconductors holding up OK as well.
- 3:56: We, we see, Nvidia here in a minute, just bumping up against resistance.
- 4:01: Nice recovery here on the semis.
- 4:03: We've been talking about KLA.
- 4:05: See in the active trading room.
- 4:07: This one is working great, but it is extended.
- 4:10: Other stocks like on semiconductor are OK, but they're still under the 200 day moving average, and some semis like Lattice aren't really participating at all, though you can see I've drawn out this triangle pattern, waiting for a resolution in one direction or the other here on Lattice to see which way this thing goes.
- 4:31: I bet closed under the eight day EMA.
- 4:33: We are getting some after-hour weakness in Bitcoin and crypto.
- 4:36: If I bring in my Bitcoin and crypto watchlist here, we see Bitcoin down 2500, and just kind of touching that 21 day EMA right now.
- 4:45: Other things like Ethereum, testing the 200 day and Solana.
- 4:49: Breaking down under all the key moving averages here today.
- 4:52: So we did have to take some risk off over at Crypto Maret Mentor, which is kind of a bummer, but we just gotta follow what Price action is doing.
- 5:00: We typically have seen Bitcoin lead the market, either up or down.
- 5:04: So the fact that we're getting a bit of a breakdown here in BTC.
- 5:09: Leads me to believe that we might see a bit of a pullback here in the market, though the trend doesn't seem to be affected by Bitcoin's price action today.
- 5:16: So there is a bit of a, a break in that correlation right now.
- 5:20: We'll continue to watch BTC at Crypto marketmentor and see which direction that goes.
- 5:25: Now, I mentioned this morning, one of the biggest moves in the market, I think, is not the fact that the spy is in an uptrend, not the fact that gold is breaking out, but the fact that the dollar has made a new low.
- 5:36: A new multi-year low here.
- 5:38: And now, of course, this is something that the administration wants.



- 5:42: Now, a weaker dollar means imports cost more, but exports are cheaper, and that should chip away at the deficit.
- 5:49: Should be good for things like commodities.
- 5:51: If I take a look at XME we see XME in an up trend above all the key moving averages, so commodities are catching a bid thanks to a weak dollar.
- 6:00: It should also keep a bid on Stocks as well.
- 6:04: So that's something that I think should generally be bullish for the market, as, you know, Dan has that term TINA, there is no alternative, and the reason that term exists is because you don't want to hold your value in dollars, especially if the value of the dollar is dropping.
- 6:21: You want to be putting that into things like gold or or Bitcoin or commodities or stocks or something that does go up in value.
- 6:28: Interestingly enough, we did get to move down today on the 10 year, under the 50 day moving average following PPI.
- 6:35: We also saw the 30 year yield, let me just get that here, break down and touch the 50 day moving average, and you can see this pattern here where we have the 30-year yield touch.
- 6:47: some of its previous highs from 2023 and then breaking down.
- 6:51: So looking for a potential breakdown in this pattern, that's going to be good for risk assets if that happens.
- 6:59: We did get a bit of a spike in the VIX today, but it didn't close near the highs, so it still looks OK.
- 7:04: Let's take a look at some stocks.
- 7:05: We'll start things off with Nvidia.
- 7:07: I mentioned semiconductors, just kind of bumping up against some resistance here as we get closer to the all-time high, very similar to the overall market.
- 7:16: Watch for a move above 145/20 on Nvidia.
- 7:20: Amazon, touching the eight day exponential, bit of an upside reversal here with a lower open and a higher close.
- 7:27: I think you can buy a little Amazon here and then add with a move above to 18.
- 7:33: Microsoft, Mr.
- 7:34: Softy, hitting a new all-time high here today, doing it on heavier than average volume, so this is good for the market, this is good for risk, it's a good gauge for risk, in my opinion.
- 7:45: We have Morgan Stanley and some of the banks looking OK.
- 7:49: MS just holding the eight day EMA right now.
- 7:51: Resistance at 13,360.
- 7:54: I think that's the trigger.
- 7:55: You want to look for a move above 13,360 here on Morgan Stanley.
- 7:59: Goldman Sachs holding the eight day exponential, kind of curling a bit higher here.
- 8:04: Nice bounce off the eight day EMA today in day, clear support in the near term at around that 21 day EMA.



- 8:11: So keep an eye on this.
- 8:11: I think you can buy this here.
- 8:13: I would just have a stop near that 21 day.
- 8:15: JP Morgan, going sideways, support again at that 21 day EMA watch for resistance and a push through 269-60 here on JP Morgan.
- 8:28: Dan added two stocks to his active trade list.
- 8:31: First one is Sports Trader Group.
- 8:33: That's SARD.
- 8:35: This stock, nice close, closing to the highs.
- 8:37: Let's look at the last 30 minutes, a little bit of selling, but the trend is fine, and he has his stop down near this 21 day EMA.
- 8:45: So I think you can buy this here, put a stop down near the 21 day, and you're A OK.
- 8:50: Another one Dan has on his active trade list today is Carmen Holdings, Ticker KRMN.
- 8:57: His entry is 4746 and a stop down near 4343.
- 9:03: So again, right by that 21 day EMA you can see how that has been the holder of this trend for this entire IPO move up.
- 9:13: So definitely, looks actionable here with a stop down near the 21 day EMA.
- 9:18: This is Brinker International, ticker EAT Brinker, also basing nicely here, going sideways, above all the key moving averages.
- 9:25: Watch for a move above 177, 85 on brinker.
- 9:31: Let's move on to a metal stock.
- 9:33: This is Newmont Corporation, ticker NEM.
- 9:36: A lot of gold mining stocks are looking interesting here as we are getting that move in gold, but we wanna see it break higher.
- 9:42: Resistance here on Newmont at 5650.
- 9:45: Watch for a move above 5650, coming on volume, and just to check out AEM, yeah, it's still OK, still some resistance here.
- 9:55: again, you know, I think that This is probably something you want to buy closer to the 21 day.
- 9:59: That has typically been a good time to buy this stock as long as gold remains in an up trend.
- 10:04: It is a bit extended now.
- 10:05: If we do get a pullback in gold for whatever reason, maybe Middle East things turn out to be just great, and we see a pullback back to that 21 day, then that could be an opportunity to get some from Agnico Eagle mines.
- 10:20: Finally gonna Finish things off here with MicroStrategy.
- 10:22: Tiger MSTR.
- 10:24: At Crypto Marketmentor, we did lighten up our exposure on MSTR today.



10:28: I sold 2/3 of my position.

10:30: I just didn't like the weak clothes that it had.

10:33: it's down a bit after hours and like I said, Bitcoin has been a week after hours, but I think it makes sense to have an alert on MSTR at around 394.70 and look for a move through 39,470 coming on volume.

10:46: That's all I got for you today.

10:47: I hope that's helpful.

10:48: I'll see you next time.