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SectorSurfer Users Group Meeting 19 Mar 2014

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SectorSurfer Meeting Agenda – 19 Mar 2014

- Introduction by SectorSurfer Joe
- What's Surfing With SectorSurfer?
- Presentation by Glenn Patterson
- AAII Special Interest Group by SectorSurfer Joe
- Next Meeting -- Scott Juds in Silicon Valley
- Questions and Answers on SectorSurfer

SectorSurfer Users Group Welcomes You!



- Our 8th SectorSurfer Meeting Started in Nov. 2012,
- Meet ~ Every Two Months (Next Meeting 19 May),
- "SectorSurfer Users Group" on GoogleGroups.com,
- Check "Welcome Letter" for latest announcements,
- Number of Subscribers to SS Users Group 224
- Any "new" members here tonight last 2 months?
- SS Videos available at "InvestorsHelp.net"
- Info regarding this meeting will be available here: "http://investorshelp.net/sectorsurfer-meetings.html"



What's Surfing With SectorSurfer? Current & Coming Events

Current Events—Users Group Welcome Letter @ Google Groups

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Welcome to the "Official SectorSurfer Users Group."

The investment concept "buy-and-hold" is a dinosaur from the past. In the 21st century we must shift our strategies and focus on the best investments meeting our financial goals. As financial markets become more volatile, we must use strategies that enable us to pick winners, ride them, and then move to new winners as they are identified. We can use mutual funds, exchange traded funds, individual equities, or all.

Scott Juds, President and CEO of SumGrowth Strategies LLC created a newly automated and highly effective stock, ETF, and fund picker called "SectorSurfer." His high performance investment algorithms are available for our use at "www.sumgrowth.com" and will help us find and hold the momentum leader during bull markets.

Hi, my name is Joe Gruender and I have selected "SectorSurfer" to guide me on my journey of selecting "Investment Strategies To Ride Sector Waves" in the 21st century. I created this SectorSurfer Users Group in November 2012 to have an excellent platform for exchanging information, thoughts, strategies, and answer your questions.

SectorSurfer has an excellent Referral Program. If you like this FREE Users Group, please click "FREE PLAN" or "SECTORSURFER" buttons on the referenced page so I receive a few credits: http://investorshelp.net/chief-sectorsurfer----scott-juds.html

Thanks to Scott Juds, Chief SectorSurfer, his newsletters, "Shoot The Curl — Monthly Perspective" including the March 2014 edition, are now available for your viewing at: http://investorshelp.net/sectorsurfer---monthly-perspective.html.

Congrats to Les, Glenn and Shaun for winning the SectorSurfer Portfolio Design Contest for 2013 and to those who received "Portfolio Honorable Mention Awards." If you want to review the details, they can be found here:

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Access to portfolio design winners.

Details and videos for previous meetings are available here: http://investorshelp.net/sectorsurfer----meetings.html

More Good News! Although FREE access is no longer available to Scott's Strategy-Of-Strategies portfolio, details are now available for our analysis. See how a combination of Fidelity funds and sector, ultra and other ETFs generated annualized returns greater than 40+% over 3, 10 and 25 years. Want to create this strategy-of-strategies yourself? You can now have immediate access to the details regarding this powerful portfolio by clicking on this link and signing up for FREE access: http://investorshelp.net/strategy-of-strategies---scott-juds.html

Special Meeting Notice! Glenn Patterson, Winner of "The Most Impressive Ride" category in SectorSurfer's 2013 Portfolio Design Competition, has agreed to give his presentation entitled: "Constructing A Prize Winning Portfolio" at our March Users Group Meeting. You don't want to miss this one! This, our second meeting in 2014 for the SectorSurfers Users Group, is now scheduled for Wednesday, March 19th. We will begin earlier at 6:00 PM so that we have more time to learn about SectorSurfer. Be sure to mark your calendars. See you on March 19th.

Let us learn, enjoy and profit using the powerful capabilities offered by SectorSurfer:-)

Best, SectorSurfer Joe

Latest information regarding meetings.



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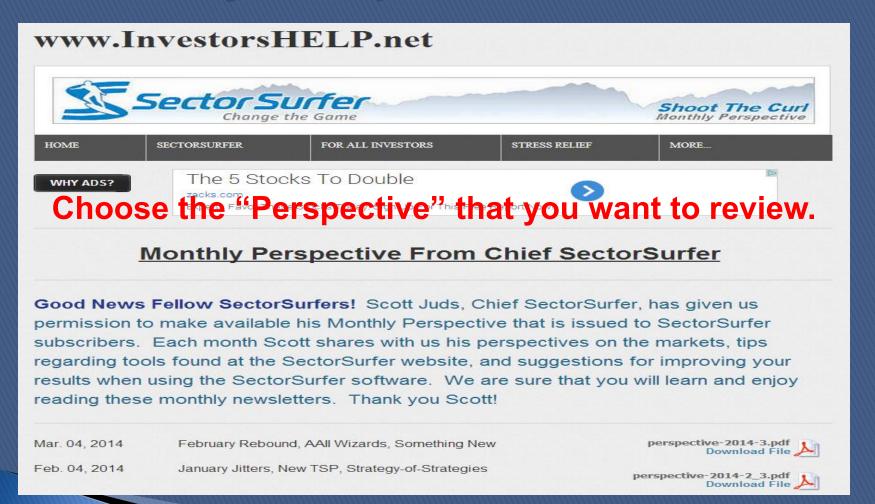


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Contest Winners Announced In Dec. 2013



Shoot The Curl Monthly Perspective

Announcing the Portfolio Design Contest Results

Dec 23, 2013

Superb Portfolio Designs Were Submitted

We have selected three spectacular Portfolios, from among many, as champions in these categories:

- 1) Lowest Drawdown Today
 - 2) Most Impressive Ride
 - 3) Highest [Score]x[Safety]

Congrats to Contest Winners!

Please join me in congratulating their creators for their spectacular achievements, and thanking them for generously sharing their high performance Portfolio design skills with others. As with the Strategy Hall of Fame page, I expect the Model Portfolios page will not only be of tremendous help to others just getting started, but will also act as a knowledge base for extending the portfolio design skills of anyone willing to learn from and build on the shoulders of champions who have stood tall.

I present to you the amazing Portfolio Design Champions!

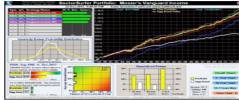
💥 Mosier's Vanguard Income Portfolio — Lowest Drawdown 💥



This risk-averse, conservative portfolio is comprised of Vanguard mutual funds with emphasis on preservation of capital and steady income. The portfolio had one losing year in 2000 (-.23%)' and just five fractional or single-digit trading losses since 1988. For those who recall the chilling reality of losing a large portion of "diversified" retirement funds during the market meltdowns, this portfolio is designed to provide the ultimate in safety as a safe harbor during inevitable market storms.







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Best SectorSurfer Portfolio Results



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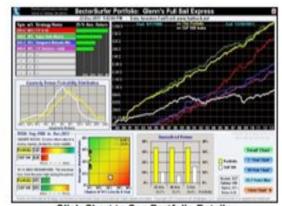
🦟 Glenn's Full Sail Express Portfolio — Most Impressive Ride 🛣



My portfolio design goals were to maximize Sharpe ratio, keep drawdown under 20%, and maintain annual returns over 30%. The results are: a Sharpe ratio of 1.82, max drawdown of 19%, annual returns over 30%, and no losing years. H.O.F. data was downloaded and sorted by Sharpe ratio, Safety Score, and Max Drawdown to establish candidate strategies, which were then all run through FWPT and optimized using Advanced Options features. I'm sure there's room for further improvement.



Glenn Patterson



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Glenn Patterson – Our Winning Speaker

Presentation By Glenn Patterson



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Thank You!



Glenn Patterson

Glenn's Work Is Available At InvestorsHELP.net

Portfolio Construction

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The Portfolio (Chart #1) holds four diversified sector and asset class rotation Strategies (Charts #2, #3, #4, and #5), rebalanced quarterly to their assigned allocation weights. Each Strategy selects the one, and only one, best-of-breed fund in its class to represent the Strategy in the overall Portfolio. The Portfolio holds only those four funds. The below allocation is used for each strategy:

Chart 2, Strategy #1 — ETF X-4e — 30%

Chart 3, Strategy #2 — Super Safe Moms — 20%

Chart 4, Strategy #3 — Vanguard Mutuals Mix —20%

Chart 5, Strategy #4 — ETF Sectors + Gold — 20%



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Monthly Perspective From Chief SectorSurfer

Good News Fellow SectorSurfers! Scott Juds, Chief SectorSurfer, has given us permission to make available his Monthly Perspective that is issued to SectorSurfer subscribers. Each month Scott shares with us his perspectives on the markets, tips regarding tools found at the SectorSurfer website, and suggestions for improving your results when using the SectorSurfer software. We are sure that you will learn and enjoy reading these monthly newsletters. Thank you Scott!

Mar. 04, 2014

February Rebound, AAll Wizards, Something New

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Perspective: February Rebound, AAII Wizards, Something New

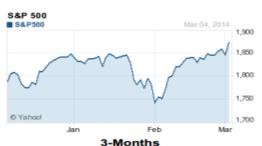
Dear Scott,

Virus Smashed!

Mar 04, 2014

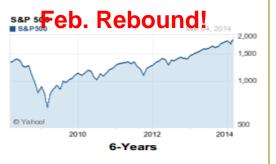
The Digital Dragon - He Be Slayed:

An evil digital dragon attacked our server yesterday morning following a system update and smote all SectorSurfer login attempts, returning only a cryptic error screen betraying the dragon's presence. My numerous personal attempts to restore peace and tranquility grew seemingly ever more futile. Fortunately, my accomplished partner Jim Gamache soon arrived at his snowy travel destination, quickly assessed the root cause, reached through the ether and remotely terminated the dragon's death grip after striking just a single blow. And that, my fellow Surfers, both explains yesterday's rift in the surf, and provides a glimpse into the exciting lives we lead. We did appreciate your patience - thanks.



The February Rebound - What the Charts Say Now:

Although we all felt pretty glum at the end of January as the market plunged, it has since bounced back with vengeance. Although there are weakening signs in the recently reported unemployment and housing statistics, the markets remain bullish. Most analysts believe it relates to expectations that the Federal Reserve will "taper the taper" and continue pumping billions of dollars of liquidity into the economy. In any case, the 5.5% dip in January is really only a small blip in the big picture, and as SectorSurfers, we know it's better to ride through these small dips than to experience whipsaw losses trying to play them. See: The Faster Response False Dilemma.



Of course, 16,000 Russian troops deployed to Ukraine, new energy taxes, and the California/Texas droughts are worrisome. However,

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Camornia, rexas urougints are wornsome these problems are not of the magnitude that can threaten a market crash. So, we'll likely continue the bumpy road higher, not stopping at fair market value, but pushing higher into the excesses of an overbought bubble for a few years. Bubbles do eventually pop, but SectorSurfer will help of

AAII Wizards Speak to Standing Room Only Crowd: The first meeting of the AAII SumGrowth Special Interest Group (SIG) was held February 22nd at the Culver City's Veteran's Memorial Complex with roughly 200 in attendance, and it was "standing room only," according to Don Gimpel the President of the 6,000 member AAII LA Chapter. Gary Noreen, the SumGrowth SIG Leader, and Dan Gimpel (Don's son) were both speakers at Saturday's meeting.



SectorSurfer Special Interest Group AAII Los Angeles Chapter

Two new presentations from SumGrowth's Special Interest Group

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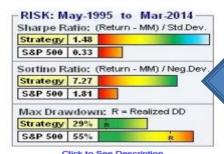
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Gary Noreen (a.k.a. Yoda) recently retired from NASA's Jet Propulsion Lab at the California Institute of Technology as a Systems Architect and Telecommunications Engineer for the Mars Exploration Rover Missions. He is a "true rocket scientist" who understands the value of our signal processing and matched filter theory methods. His presentation focuses on high performance Strategies and Portfolios. See: AAII-SectorSurfer-Portfolios-GNoreen-2014.pdf.

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LA Chapter President: Don Gimpel - DGimpel@Roadrunner.com SumGrowth SIG Leader: Gary Noreen - YODA@ardio.com



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SECTORSURFER PORTFOLIOS

Los Angeles AAII Strategic Investing SIG

Gary ("YODA") Noreen

Aerial Videographer

February 22, 2014

AGENDA

- Brief Review
- Genesis of a Top Dog Strategy
- Strategy Metrics
- Portfolio of Strategies
 - Model Portfolios
 - "Own the Bubble"
 - Portfolio of Strategies of Strategies
 - My Portfolio

SECTORSURFER CHANGED MY LIFE

- Assumed 5% return when calculating retirement income. Now expect at least twice that, possibly several times.
- Increased investing confidence
- Consciously spending much more
- My relatives are hitting me up for money



LESSONS



- If there is a change signal, don't wait a few months to see if there's really something to it. Go ahead and make the change.
 - If you are uncomfortable with a new equity signaled in a strategy you are following, remove the equity from the strategy and see how the revised strategy performs without it.



 Tweak strategies created by others – you just may find something better, or at least more in tune with your comfort zone.



Investment Strategies To Ride Sector Waves

SectorSurfer STRATEGY POINTERS

A Beginner's Guide to Selecting and Creating Strategies

As presented by Dan Gimpel on Feb. 22, 2014

Contact: SectorSurferDan@gmail.com

What SectorSurfer and Sumgrowth Are



- "SectorSurfer" is the online trading tool web site.
- "SumGrowth" is the name of the company that runs the site.
- We'll call the web site "Surfer" for short.
- Access Surfer at either <u>www.SectorSurfer.com</u> or <u>www.SumGrowth.com</u> . Same thing.
- Surfer is a subscription "web-based software service", meaning, it runs in your browser only, it needs the internet to work, and you pay a monthly or yearly fee to use it.
- There's nothing to install on your PC to make it work.

Takeaways (Key Points)

- Surfer is plug-n-play easy and can give you great results fast.
- Though it's easy to use, it's also easy to use wrong.
- Surfer makes strategies from any funds you choose but it's still
 Garbage In, Garbage Out.
- In many Strategy Charts, there is a data age warning flag that's easy to ignore, so watch out for it! Surfer often presents old instead of current data, and this makes a big difference.
- Surfer has a wonderful Hall of Fame feature where other users' best strategies are made available for you to use. This feature is a great and easy way to start with Surfer.
- Don't let Surfer strategies convince you to buy funds you would otherwise never want to own.
- Use trial and error to find what makes strategies work best.

Cautions (iii): Technical Trading Only

- Surfer is a pure "technical" trading tool that only pays attention to price trends.
- Surfer does not consider fundamentals at all. (That's your job!)
- Fundamentals should still be a major consideration of yours when selecting funds for strategies.
- Don't choose funds for strategies that you would never otherwise own on their fundamentals.
- Choose the funds you would own prudently.

Warnings & Pointers (ii):
Non-Current Charts Widely Used



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- Surfer makes strategies from any funds you choose but it's still Garbage In, Garbage Out.
- Only charts in Active Strategies use current data; all others use old data. So watch out- it's easy to miss, and it makes a big difference.
- Don't let Surfer strategies convince you to buy funds you would otherwise never want to own.
- Do shop for strategies in the Hall of Fame, and:
 - Study them carefully and look for ideas
 - Make sure you can use them that all their funds are available to buy.
 - Be skeptical and careful, and invest prudently.
- Use trial and error to find what makes strategies work best.

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March Perspective continued.

Something New — The Sortino Ratio:

Some subscribers have asked for the Sortino Ratio because it is generally viewed as an important improvement over the Sharpe Ratio. A few days ago, the Sortino Ratio became a standard part of every chart, residing just under the Sharpe Ratio. The reason it is considered an improvement is that the Sharpe Ratio lumps both up-side and down-side return variation together in its measure of risk. Most people think of up-side variation as an experience of WooHoo, not BooHoo. However, the Sortino Ratio only includes negative monthly returns (those that are less than a money market fund would return) when calculating risk. It is therefore very similar to the idea of our square chart for the "Probability of Loss of 15% in a Year." Click the bar chart above to learn more.

Surf Well and Prosper,

Do you use the Sortino Ratio?



Scott Juds President & Chief SectorSurfer SumGrowth Strategies, LLC www.SumGrowth.com



The Sortino Ratio

"to measure an investment's added return over very safe money market"

Sortino Ratio Risk Measure

The Sortino Ratio is commonly used in the financial industry to measure an investment's added return over that of a very safe money market fund relative to the higher investment risk taken. The ratio is named for Dr. Frank A. Sortino, an early popularizer of downside risk optimization. The mathematical expression for the Sortino Ratio is:



Sortino Ratio = (Fund Average Return - Money Market Return) / (Downside Deviation)

Added?"

The Fund Average Return is calculated by first finding the ratio of the ending value to the starting value of the fund, finding its Nth root, and subtracting one — where N is the number of years between the starting value and the ending value. The Fidelity SPRXX money market fund is used as the riskless reference return to beat.

Fund Average Return = (EndValue/StartValue)^(1/N) - 1 To calculate Downside Deviation.

The Downside Deviation is calculated by stepping through the database day-by-day and calculating gain/loss from one month earlier relative to the monthly return of the money market fund. If, and only if, the monthly return is less than the money market return is the difference in return (StrategyMonthlyReturn - M.M.MonthlyReturn) squared and added to a TotalVariationSquared value. The TotalVariationSquared is then divided by the total number of days. By taking the square root of this value we get the Downside Deviation.







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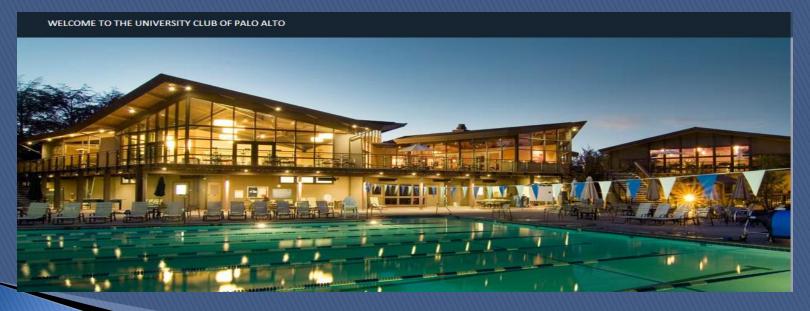
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 - And many more.

Special SS Meeting – May 2014

- Scott Juds Coming To Silicon Valley
- Monday, May 19th, at 6:30 PM
- University Club of Palo Alto



RisingStar Coming in May 2014

Email: Scott Juds to SectorSurfer Joe

I am furiously burning the candle at both ends to have RisingStar ready for introduction in May, and that will be the highlight topic both at my May 15th presentation to the San Diego Chapter and the May 17th presentation to the LA Chapter (where they have given me both speaker slots). While there is a lot that cannot be said about RisingStar until all the pieces really do come together, there is sufficient evidence and experimental results to expect that RisingStar will represent a fundamental change in how stock Strategies operate and perform – a change that I would represent as fundamentally equal to the importance of the fundamental basis for SectorSurfer. It will remove all of the "hind sleight credibility" problems that exist with current TopDog Stock Strategies. What I am saying to you is that this is will not be a trivial "how do you do – let me tell you about the same old stuff" kind of presentation. While I probably will (and should) cover the basics for newbies, any of your group that invests in stocks will not want to miss this.

RisingStar Coming To SectorSurfer!

AAII (AI Z's) Work Also Available

March 2014 Videos From Al Zmyslowski

More videos from Al Z. are also available here. >>>





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Title: Global Tactical Asset Allocation (Part 1 of 3)

Speaker: CC Lin

Description: Want to obtain higher returns using GTAA while reducing the volatility of your financial returns? If so, this informative video can help you accomplish this. It was presented by CC Lin during a monthly meeting of the AAII Silicon Valley CI-MI Group in March, 2014. This is Part 1 of a 3 Part series.

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Time for Questions and Answers? Thank You!