Weekly Screen – June 29, 2021:

Attractive Call Buys: U.S. equity investors have endured a few moderate yet short-lived selloffs so far this year. But, generally, equity values are on the rise. And with stellar first-quarter earnings results and raised outlooks, valuations seem to have contracted a bit. With meaningful progress on the vaccine front, the economy continuing to reopen, and most signs pointing to a still-supportive Federal Reserve, the S&P 500 index set a new all-time high, at about 4297. Meanwhile, the VIX, a measure of expected S&P 500 volatility, had been oscillating between 20 and 40 in recent months, yet dropped to 16 more recently against the backdrop of a rising market.

Despite equity values reaching fresh all-time highs, there may be additional room to run. And with volatility premiums lower than in prior months, holding long option positions seems relatively more affordable than earlier this year. Purchasing naked calls presents an opportunity to take advantage of potential additional upticks in equity markets.

In this screen, we look for calls with a delta between 30 and 75 to target strikes that are not too far in-the-money, or out-of-the-money. We also searched for options that have a relatively narrow bid/ask spread, are not overvalued, and are ranked 1 for naked call buying, among other criteria. Setting our display so that only one call per underlying stock appeared, our screener came up with 32 results, including Carvana Co (CVNA), Salesforce.com Inc (CRM), and Alibaba Group Holding Limited (BABA).

Investors should carefully consider their own suitability requirements along with company specific details to determine if taking a position in any of the options listed in this report is warranted.

Figure 1 – Screening Criteria

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Figure 2 – Screener Results

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Smartsheet Inc	SMAR	E-Commerce	1	5	73.91	70.00	2021-08-20	6.70	7.00	8.63	-0.59	0.83
Carvana Co	CVNA	Retail Automotive	1	5	299.29	270.00	2021-08-20	39.70	41.65	48.85	-0.47	0.59
Salesforce Com Inc	CRM	E-Commerce	1	5	244.26	270.00	2021-11-19	7.85	8.15	10.29	-0.69	1.31
Alibaba Group Holding Limited	BABA	Internet	1	4	226.81	225.00	2021-08-06	9.20	10.05	11.21	-0.83	1.74
Cars com Inc	CARS	Internet	2	2	14.83	12.50	2022-01-21	3.60	3.90	5.18	-0.28	0.30
Funko Inc	FNKO	Recreation	1	1	21.57	20.00	2021-08-20	3.00	3.20	3.45	-0.41	0.51
Twitter Inc	TWTR	Internet	1	5	68.50	85.00	2022-01-21	3.80	3.90	4.77	-0.47	0.66
Micron Technology Inc	MU	Semiconductor	1	3	83.23	85.00	2021-08-06	3.30	3.60	4.06	-0.76	1.48
Cheniere Energy Inc	LNG	Oil & Gas Distro	1	4	86.78	95.00	2021-12-17	3.30	3.60	4.23	-0.65	1.16
Square Inc	SQ	Computer Software/Svcs	1	4	249.50	300.00	2021-11-19	11.80	12.15	14.76	-0.52	0.78
KKR and Company Inc	KKR	Public / Private Equity	1	3	60.85	60.00	2021-09-17	3.10	3.30	3.58	-0.76	1.38
Twilio Inc	TWLO	E-Commerce	1	4	398.91	640.00	2023-01-20	33.80	36.00	44.37	-0.32	0.39
Activision Blizzard Inc	ATVI	Entertainment Tech	1	3	94.86	105.00	2022-01-21	4.35	4.50	5.25	-0.60	0.97
Shopify Inc	SHOP	E-Commerce	1	5	1490.26	1500.00	2021-08-20	102.20	105.10	115.53	-0.59	0.91
Zendesk Inc	ZEN	E-Commerce	1	4	147.59	160.00	2021-10-15	6.60	6.90	7.96	-0.63	1.05
Livent Corporation	LTHM	Power	1	2	18.93	20.00	2021-08-20	1.30	1.45	1.63	-0.52	0.74
eXp World Holdings Inc	EXPI	E-Commerce	2	5	40.79	60.00	2022-01-21	4.20	4.50	9.30	-0.31	0.37
Mesa Air Group Inc	MESA	Air Transport	1	1	9.38	12.50	2021-10-15	0.55	0.70	0.84	-0.41	0.53
Amazon com	AMZN	Internet	1	4	3430.82	3600.00	2021-08-20	72.10	73.40	84.98	-0.88	2.50
Workday Inc	WDAY	E-Commerce	1	3	242.52	240.00	2021-08-20	11.85	12.80	13.75	-0.77	1.42
BioNTech SE	BNTX	Biotechnology	2	3	230.96	210.00	2021-08-20	32.20	34.60	44.80	-0.43	0.53
Danaos Corp	DAC	Maritime	2	3	76.24	85.00	2021-10-15	4.00	5.50	9.65	-0.52	0.74
Sea Limited	SE	Foreign Electronics	1	4	279.32	260.00	2021-08-20	30.60	32.70	34.33	-0.52	0.68
Apple Inc	AAPL	Computers/Peripherals	1	4	135.66	141.00	2021-08-06	2.08	2.12	2.42	-0.94	3.67
ConAgra Brands Inc	CAG	Food Processing	2	3	35.92	37.00	2021-08-20	0.70	0.80	1.39	-0.91	2.81
NetEase Inc	NTES	Internet	1	2	111.28	115.00	2021-08-20	4.50	4.80	5.29	-0.73	1.38
Zillow Group Inc	Z	Internet	1	4	123.35	210.00	2023-01-20	11.10	12.00	14.23	-0.30	0.36
ServiceNow Inc	NOW	IT Service	1	4	556.59	540.00	2021-08-20	38.20	38.90	41.09	-0.68	1.08
Five9 Inc	FIVN	E-Commerce	1	4	184.22	185.00	2021-10-15	15.40	16.20	17.45	-0.52	0.74
Netflix Inc	NFLX	Entertainment	1	3	531.96	570.00	2021-08-20	12.45	13.00	14.87	-0.81	1.95
Ferrari NV	RACE	Automotive	1	4	206.58	200.00	2021-08-20	11.10	11.60	12.16	-0.81	1.49
MercadoLibre Inc	MELI	E-Commerce	1	4	1561.21	2100.00	2023-01-20	139.10	148.40	169.82	-0.35	0.44

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