

all right welcome to coffee with marcus this episode 171 and today i thought i'd show you the current trades that i'm in for those of you who don't know me yet i'm marcus hydecotter i'm a real trader and thus far this year i've made over 80 thousand dollars i think it's like 81 82 000 and i thought in today's episode i'll break it down of how exactly i'm making this kind of money the two strategies that i trade i'll show you how to trade the power x strategy on a smaller account and how to trade the wheel strategy on a larger account so this is what we have in store today let's get started this show is about real money and real trades i'll show you the trading strategies that i personally trade the tools that i use to trade my own accounts and we will talk about the right mindset of a trader now talking about mindset i'm going to show you how to create src profits and src stands for systematic repeatable and consistent because that is the key to long-term success in the market so if you are sick of all the hype and empty promises and you want to learn trading strategies actually work then click on like right now and let's get started all right let's get started and uh first things first so yes as you know i'm showing you my real My Current Trades With The PowerX Strategy account so here are the trades that i currently have going on on a smaller account so this is a 20 000 account and we will talk about these trades and i'll show you exactly the trades that i did today and then we'll also talk about the larger account where i'm trading the wheel strategy and these are the trades that i have currently going on there and uh we'll dissect those and go through those in detail well let's start with the smaller account and let me just show you what i have been doing today because uh today i got into this awesome trade that you see here that is currently up around 6.3 percent in just one day now as you know this doesn't always happen but these are the kind of trades that i'm looking for when i'm trading the power x strategy so let's focus on the power x strategy first and i'll show you exactly what i did today and what happened so as you know i'm using the tool the powerx optimizer and i'm using it for both strategies i'm using it uh to find the best trades according to the power x strategy and i'm using it to find the best trades according to the wheel strategy but let's start with the power x strategy first so what i do every morning shortly before the markets open is that i run the scanner and uh when i ran the scanner this morning i had around 13 symbols popping up right here so as you can see these are the trades for me to consider according to the power x strategy and there were around 13 trades so let me show you exactly how i narrowed it down to the trade that i actually took what i want to see is i'm looking back over the last two years and this is where you see the chart here so let me just show you this because the first trade that came up here is amc i'm zooming out a little bit so that i see the whole two years so this here is a look back period over the last two years and i want to see how would this stock have performed if i

had traded it according to the power x strategy and this is where i see in the trading report all of the all of the trades uh you see it right here but you see since i don't want to look through all of these trades in detail i'm using a little shortcut here and these are the two graphs i need to zoom out again i need to find a way to remember how i zoomed out but let me just quickly do this here we go where i'm looking at the p l chart this is the profit and loss chart that shows me if i had traded this particular stock with the rules of the power x strategy on a ten thousand dollar account how much money would i have made and

what i'm looking for is i want to see that i have a nice and smooth uh p l chart that is going up almost in a straight line well as straight as it possibly can now as you can see amc here is rather erratic and duh we knew this right i mean amc is one of the meme stocks hasn't been doing a whole lot over the past year then also rather going flat made this one huge jump in january and then also recently a huge jump in you see this is not what i call sr profits and src stands for systematic repeatable and consistent i don't want to have these these jumps here where i get lucky because i mean everybody can get lucky but if you want to trade for a living like i do and i'm transferring around

15 000 every month out of my trading account into my personal checking account to cover my living expenses anyhow if you want to do this then this year obviously is not the right stock so i remove it from the scanner the next stock that popped up was amcx and as you can see amcx is also

not a good trade for the power x strategy and that's the deal you see i have a trading strategy and what i'm doing right now is i look for stocks that are really well suited for this trading strategy and for some stocks it is awesome and for other stocks it is like not really that good and this is why my main criteria is to look back over the last two years and see if i had traded this stock over the last two years would i have number one made money and number two would i have made src profits because even with this stock as you can see yeah on a ten thousand dollar account i would have made around 2000 or here two and a half thousand dollars so that's not bad that's it that's around

25 but see these are not src profits because they basically just come from one or two trades so moving on so this way i ruled this one out go to arwr and if you're looking at a rwr this is definitely more what i'm looking for because i told you i'm looking for a p l chart that shows me this systematic repeatable and consistency right and i see oh my gosh if i had traded it even though the stock is a little bit all over the place right if i had taken the trades according to the powerx

strategy i would have made some nice profits so this were for this morning i said okay arwr definitely one that i'm interested in and so this way i'm just going through the list here uh bbby is another one bad bath and beyond as you know there's another meme stock so here uh this is okay however i'm staying away from these meme stocks you see where you

have these two massive spikes that are coming out there for me this is not really systematic repeatable and consistent this year for me is more erratic so i didn't like this one and i mean we can just go through the whole list but i think this might be a little bit

boring because honestly besides a rwr i didn't find anything that i like
so arwr was the only trade that i was really interested in so let
me show you exactly what i did so with arwr again here i'm trading a smaller account
the account size as you can see here is only twenty thousand dollars and i wanna risk around two
percent on
any given trade so the idea here is to risk only four hundred dollars on any given trade now
if this trade doesn't work out my twenty thousand dollar account goes down to nineteen thousand
six hundred dollars
no big deal right i mean this is rather easy to make back and uh i'm always looking
for a risk reward ratio of at least one to two meaning that i'm trying here
to risk 400 trying to make 800 at
a minimum at a minimum so anyhow uh this morning powerx optimizer told me
okay i should buy 131 shares of this stock arwr
as soon as it crosses above 76.38 you see this here was my entry signal
buy to open as soon as it goes above 76.38 so uh let us see of what exactly the
stock did this morning so i'm switching here over to a live chart on trading view and if you're
going over to a five minute chart then you see exactly what happened here
this morning so this morning this year this green bar is
the first bar where we started and as you can see pretty much within the first few minutes
we broke through 76.38 and this for me was a buy signal
so what i did as we are going to the trading platform here you see that i bought 130 shares
and i bought it a little bit above my entry signal because prices were running so fast so i bought it
at 76.40
and my idea was to get in at 76.38 so i bought it at 76.40 which was just
two cents above the um above the entry signal that was recommended here
now as you can see the rest as they say is history this here was absolutely taking off
so really nice gain thus far earlier at the beginning of the show it was around six point three
percent
right now it is around six percent so this is where right now on uh this particular stock
here we go i'm already up like um 560 dollars
and uh as you know i'm planning to risk only four hundred dollars so here we are
already in good shape now once i entered the trade so entering is one thing but now i need to
decide when to exit the trade so when do i take profits on this one because
after all i mean it already moved out six percent is now a good time to take profits should i wait
another day
should i wait until next week when to exit and you see this is where a trading strategy helps
you and a trading strategy answers the following three questions number one what stock or
option should you trade
number two when to enter and i mean these two questions i've already shown you how i do this
using the x optimizer i
knew which stock to trade and when to enter and number three there's the third thing that the
trading strategy does is
when to exit so let's talk about this and this is where i'm going back to the
power x optimizer again because with the power x optimizer i can look at various
exit strategies and so here's the deal again on this account i'm risking two percent
of my account which is 400 and now i have here

different risk and rewards as you can see for example one and a half to three means that i have a two to one risk reward ratio so with this particular strategy i'm risking four hundred dollars trying to make eight hundred dollars with the second one it's a one two three risk reward ratio so four hundred dollars trying to make twelve hundred dollars and uh the last one here is a one two five risk reward ratio meaning that here i'm risking four hundred dollars trying to make two thousand dollars so you see it's all a matter of how quickly do you want to exit so looking at this i now decide okay if i had applied this strategy to the stock over the past year what would have been the past performance and this is where let me just uh remove this there we go so here you see the total profit the roi return on investment and all of this is normalized for a ten thousand dollar account so that it doesn't matter how big or small of account you trade you need to have some sort of reference point right and the reference point that we are using here is based on a ten thousand dollar account so you see the ri you see the number of wins and losses the winning percentage the profit factor and also how long i am expecting to be in this trade now based on what i saw here i decided to use two different exit strategies so to sell half of my position on the first one which is with the three to one ratio so i want to risk 400 trying to make 800 and then keep another half of my position another half of these shares now trying to actually that is not correct because there is a one two three risk reward ratio so the first strategy is risking four hundred dollars trying to make twelve hundred dollars and with the second one so with the second one i'm risking four hundred dollars trying to make two thousand dollars so overall i entered this morning with 130 shares so i would sell 65 shares at the first profit target and 65 shares at the second profit target now let me show you visually what this looks like so visually if i'm showing here the entries and exits on the chart then you see my exit first of all my stop loss if this trade does not work out which can always happen right so my stop-loss is at 73.34 that's where i lose 400 and if i'm going up to 85.51 this is where if i would sell the whole position all 130 shares i would make twelve hundred dollars and here i would make two thousand dollars now based on a twenty thousand dollar account that's not bad right i mean this is here a a really nice ten percent return on your uh on your capital so i take this and uh i'll show you here in a moment where we stand after trading this uh this small account here for a few weeks because it's it's looking pretty good that's far um let's just go back here um you see that uh thus far for the year i'm up twenty six hundred dollars really started uh trading it maybe a month ago or something like this so that is a solid uh what around thirteen percent within a month uh return on investment so i'll take this one anyhow so after i entered the trade and this is what i wanted to show you i entered my exit trades and this is where i have a stop loss and the stop loss is exactly here at 73.34 and then as you can see i'm selling half of the shares as soon as we go up to 85.51

because that is the first profit target right here and i'm saying the other half of the shares which is another 65 once we go up to 91.60 so this is my plan now if these profit targets and these stop loss are not hit as soon as i see a black bar as you can see here it means a change of direction and a change of direction means for me that i'm getting out of this trade so i dissected this trade in a little bit more detail so that you know what is going on in this particular account here and the trades that i'm currently in want to just show you are five trades because that's what i like to do i like to be in up to five positions at the same time and the trades that i entered here thus far i'll be happy to show you this on the ipad is aggro this trade i entered on friday right so on friday i entered this trade it came up i went long at uh as you can see here at 11.14 and uh right now currently it is at 11.49 so it's moving in the right direction and this is why the p l for the day is 69 and 30 cents the pml since i opened this trade so since the beginning is 234 another one that i really liked uh was plug here so let me just show you on the ipad so plug is another trade that i entered and again what i'm looking for is the p l chart that it goes up in a nice smooth line right and again the p l chart is showing you how would you have traded or how would it have been performed over the past two years if i had traded it according to the power x strategy so here i entered this at 28.20 and uh as you can see today it is already trading at 32.74 so today alone i added 238 over since i'm in this trade it's 522 another one that came up here on the scanner a few days ago uh is spce let me show spc and again you get the idea right what i'm looking for is here really a nice and smooth p l chart so i entered this one at uh 27 uh yeah 27 73 and today it is trading at 34 41 so pretty good already up seven bucks and i traded a total of uh 65 shares here now i think it was a it was 130 shares and i already sold half of my shares i was already able to realize some profits here with this exit strategy that i've just shown you and now finally uh this trade here is staa so i want to switch over to the ipad here so sdaa is a trade that has been moving at first pretty good as you can see i got in here at 132.48 so it has been moving up and then pulling back a little bit but not yet showing black bars and therefore i'm still in this trade here and right now entered it at 132 it's a one up to 141 so the profit and loss today 149 since it's open 344 dollars so all of this is looking pretty good so these are the trades that i do according to the power x strategy and by the way if you would like to learn more about the power x strategy as you can see in the background i've written a book very proud on it this is why i'm putting this book right behind me it's a really good book and uh you can get it on my website for 4.95 on amazon it's like 25 bucks i'll link in the

description to it so if you would like to have the book for 4.95 i'll be happy to ship it to you now before we move on and i'll show you uh what exactly i'm doing here according to the other strategy the wheel strategy let me just ask you is this helpful at all if i'm showing you the trades that i'm in and also my my thought process of why i'm entering these trades because if this is helpful at all do me a favor and click on like and here's why it's very easy for me to see how many uh videos or how many likes a video get and if you like this video a lot and there's lots of likes then i'll do more videos like this because the reason why i'm doing it here is not because i love myself talking it's because i want to help you and be as transparent as i as i can right by showing you exactly my accounts and what i'm doing here and the tools that i'm using the strategies that i'm using and i hope that you find this helpful and if not then don't click on like then i'll do some other videos but if you like videos like this and you want me to show you more of the trades that i have click on like right now okay cool all right so uh the other strategy so let's talk

My Current Trades With The Wheel Strategy

about the other strategy so the second strategy is called the wheel strategy and uh as you already guessed it haha you see it in the background i wrote a book on this one too because i i find it easy i also have videos on this i'll link to the videos in the description and also at the end of this video here i'll uh i'll link to this and they will somehow magically pop up i hope that i can do this with the youtubes should be able to anyhow so it's a different strategy so what we are doing with the wheel strategy let me just show you this on the ipad here is with the wheel strategy we are trading options and we are selling options and by selling options we are collecting premium and here the idea is that we are selling options below a strike price because here's what's happening so just in a nutshell if you're not familiar with the strategy when you're selling put options and this is what i'm doing here i'm selling put options here for pen i did it at a strike price of 75. so this means that as long as pen stays above 75 i just collect the whole premium and if it would move below 75 then i have i'm forced to buy shares at 75 and i'm forced to buy 100 shares uh based uh per option per option that i'm selling and you probably know all this and if you if you're unfamiliar with options i have done a video series a playlist of options 101 i'll link to it in the description so if you're new to options by all means watch that okay so uh just looking at this pen i sold the 75 puts here and this is what you see in the account sold the 75 puts and uh thus far i'm up 910 on this now these puts expire this friday in four days this is what you see there and if the for the next four days pen stays above 75 as you can see here i'm just keeping the whole premium that i sold so this year is looking really really good now uh let's talk about z first and then

we go to lvs and write because they're a little bit more special i want to say and i want to show you exactly

what i did there so z is zillow and last week already sold puts at a strike price of 104 and as long as z stays above 104 by this friday i'm keeping the whole premium and if you look back in the account so uh we're up 600 on this trade so between these two trades we're up 600. you might say oh my gosh the p l the profit and loss here the open p l for lvs and right oh my gosh that's really bad that's down a lot and you're right because here's what happened let me just show you so i told you

that the wheel strategy actually consists of three steps so let me just show you what these three steps number they are so number one you're selling put options and collecting premium now if the strike price uh if the prices of the stock stay above your strike price nothing will happen and you just keep selling put options and that's what i do however sometimes it dips as you can see here

below the strike price so this is when i'm getting assigned and now i own shares at this price so this is

when step number three kicks in and uh where i can basically sell call options against the shares that i was assigned so this basically a covered call that i'm doing right now and this is where i'm collecting premium so this means that i'm making money here i'm making money here

and when i'm assigned here for example at 58 and today we're trading at 56.50 i'm losing money so here i'm losing money on the stock but i'm making it back by selling options i want to just show you lvs as a very specific example here because if you look at lvs thus far

i have been able to sell 5 000 there you go 5 304 in premium so this is how much in premium i already collected now admit it on the shares right now right now i'm still down two and a half thousand dollars but as you can see since i already collected more than five thousand dollars even if i would sell the shares right now at a loss i'm still up two thousand seven hundred dollars

and that's the beautiful thing about applying this strategy because even though you're losing some money on the

shares you can make back the money uh by selling options and selling puts and selling calls does this make sense okay cool so this is what i did here so right now

i do not so we can go towards this so for lvs i do not i have not sold any calls just yet i was planning to sell calls today and i set a limit order uh let's just go over here i set a limit order of 40 because i said i want to have at least 40 cents per option and right now

they're trading at 27 cents so nobody is willing to buy these options for me for 40 cents these darn traders well in order to do

this we would have to see that right lvs pops a little bit higher and i'm i'm pretty sure it will so i'm i'm

patiently waiting here there's no need to rush into anything because i already made a lot of money here on lvs and i'm very happy with this now let's talk about right so right is another trade

and this is a trade that got in trouble because initially i sold the strike price i sold puts at 21.50 so i got assigned i got assigned shares at a price of 21.50 as you can see right now it's trading at 13.39 so losing a lot here on the stock however this is where i fly so-called rescue missions and if you're interested in these uh i did a video on this i'll link to it in the description of how to do the rescue missions and by flying these rescue missions i have been able to lower my cost basis for the shares that i own to 15.79 so that's of course a little bit more manageable now i'm still right now losing money on the shares because if i bought them at 15.79 and right now it's trading at 13.39 i'm obviously losing money on the shares but here's the cool thing uh same as with lvs i was able to already make money by selling calls and puts so if you look at right i've been able to make around ten thousand dollars by selling calls and puts so this is what i collected in premium now the the stocks are down around twenty thousand dollars so that's not nice obviously so overall on this trade i'm still down ten thousand dollars and if you look at all of the trades that i did according to the strategy all of the trades right everything here closed out with a profit the only trade that did not do it just yet is right so what i'm looking for here is that right moves a little bit higher and my idea here is that it moves from 13 to 15 is this wishful thinking no i don't think so because if you're looking at the chart i mean right now we see that right is an upwork trajectory it has been trading as high as 14 i believe this was 14.50 somewhere around here so i believe it is very possible for right to get up to the and when it goes up to 15.79 this is when i can exit i can actually exit with a small profit and that would make me happy okay so um now the question is what did i do today here for for this strategy because i i've shown you these are the trades that i entered already last week lvs pen right and z so all of these trades uh have already been open if you if you look at this you see that uh this trade has been open for five days this trade has been open for four days this has been for five days so it has already been open for a little bit and today i did not see anything that really excited me now you might have just heard this little ding ding ding in the background which means that markets are closed right now and so markets are closed right now so this means that right now there's also nothing else to trade but in order to find these trades uh what i do is that i go to the powerx optimizer go to the wheel analyzer that you can see right here and this is where i'm getting a list of trades that i can consider according to the wheel strategy again markets just closed so sorry nothing to trade right now and all the trades that i found today as you can see are labeled as maybes or no so there wasn't really anything interesting that i saw today and i think this is just an important and important lesson so that you know you don't have to trade every day sometimes you just have to let the trades work out

nicely as they do because you see uh on this account here today the p l for today and this is unrealized right i mean there's not the money that i made it's unrealized but it's it's around ten thousand dollars and uh
on the other on the smaller account for today uh where it took only one trade but the other trades are working
out nicely it's twelve hundred dollars and uh you see in the beginning of my trading career i had this little voice in my head that
says if you don't trade you don't make any money then i realized well if you don't trade and there's nothing to trade
you also don't lose any money i thought this was smart and this is why i'm a way more relaxed trader honestly
my trading style i only trade for 30 minutes a day to achieve these results
now i know that there is quite a few questions here however today i have to drive my daughter to a
sweet 16 and i promise to be there on time so today i won't be able to answer your questions but i know that if you have more questions around the strategies i'll link to the strategies
uh the wheel strategy and also the power x strategy right now at the end of the video so i'll link to i hope that i can do this to two playlists that come up so please take a look at this whatever trading strategy spoke more to you
as we were going through this year so take a look at uh either the wheel strategy or the power x strategy or
maybe it's the other way around and uh let me know if you have any questions in the comments uh after this video finished usually i'm able to take your questions live here today that's not possible okay click on
this video and i will see you in the next one take care everybody