Struthers Report V27 #4. 15 Gold, AZT, Palladium, BULL, VS Covid Face Masks Thank you Apr. 22, 2021



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I am just finishing a report on a new gold pick that I should have out on the weekend or Monday, likewise with Part 3 on Covid-19 (Experimental Vaccines).

The gold chart is looking good. The wedge pattern is still in play but encouraging it broke above 1st resistance around \$1750.



Aztec Minerals
Entry Price \$0.50

TSXV:AZT Recent Price \$.30
Opinion – strong buy, average down to \$0.40

Aztec has started a phase 2 reverse circulation (RC) drilling program has commenced at their 75% owned Tombstone project in Arizona. The 20-hole, 3,000-metre reverse circulation (RC) program is designed to step along strike and down dip from the phase 1 drill intercepts in 2020 to expand the shallow, broad, bulk-tonnage gold-silver mineralization discovered around and below the Contention pit.

Phase 1 results in 2020 were very good, so I expect some good numbers, Phase 1 included:

- Hole TR20-09 15.24 m at 6.18 g/t gold and 77.2 g/t silver (7.15 g/t gold equivalent (AuEq))
- Hole TR20-18 7.62 m at 4.18 g/t Au and 174.2 g/t Ag (6.36 g/t AuEg) and
- Hole TR20-02 12.2 m at 3.18 g/t Au and 136.4 g/t Ag (4.89 g/t AuEq).

These holes encountered shallow oxide gold and silver mineralization associated with iron and manganese oxides, clay and silica alteration, quartz veins, and porphyry dikes crosscutting brecciated Bisbee group sandstone/siltstone along the Contention fault.

Drill holes will be collared on the western side of the Contention pit and drilled to intersect the mineralized zone at approximately 50-metre vertical spacings. Hole sites will be spaced 50 to 100 m laterally, depending upon the existing drill hole configuration. Although 20 holes are not enough to completely drill off the mineralized zones, the phase 2 program results will help guide the next phase of RC drilling.

Aztec CEO Simon Dyakowski commented: "We and our partners are excited to commence this first follow-up drill program to Aztec's initial drill successes in 2020. This phase 2 RC drill program is designed to infill between the phase 1 drill patterns as well as step out along strike and down dip to expand the shallow, broad, bulk-tonnage gold-silver mineralization discovered in, around and below the Contention pit."

I like the chart. There is a wedge pattern and it looked like it might break to downside but now looks to upside. With drilling underway, I am very sure it will continue to the upside. Another positive factor is the 27 cent support area held. Timing was not good when we first bought as it turned out to be the top of gold's last rally. However at this price and time, it is excellent and why I suggest to average down to \$0.40



The other significant news this week is palladium. It broke out to new highs the last two days. This is very bullish for future higher prices.



Canadian Palladium TSXV:BULL Recent Price - \$0.13 Entry Price \$0.17 Opinion – strong buy

It does not make much sense that BULL keeps putting out good drill results, palladium prices making all time highs and BULL's stock goes no where. Many people will tell you the market is never wrong, there is a good reason why the stock is priced where it is. I don't believe that and the market is not always right. In fact I have made most of my \$\$ over the years betting that the market is wrong. Actually I find the market has become less accurate and wrong more often, maybe because of too much computer trading.

The last drill news was March 30th and I put an update out, but it is worth repeating. With assay results for drill holes EB-20-48 to EB-21-50 at the East Bull palladium deposit, near Sudbury, Ont. Holes EB-20-48 to EB-21-50 have extended the Garden zone to the west for 400 metres on strike. A highlight from the current results is hole EB-21-50 that intersected two mineralized intervals with **9.709** g/t palladium-equivalent over two metres and **1.055** g/t PdEq over **24** metres in the Garden zone. The drilling program has now defined over 2.9 kilometres strike length of near-continuous disseminated sulphide mineralization hosting palladium, platinum, rhodium, gold and base metals. These drill results are well in line with what is expected in these zones and BULL has grown the size of the deposit significantly as planned.

Wayne Tisdale, Canadian Palladium's CEO commented in the last news release: "With a mineralized zone of almost three kilometres and palladium prices at an all-time high, East Bull continues to provide us with excellent results. Additionally, we are awaiting our rhodium results, and with rhodium currently over \$26,000 per ounce, rhodium will be the second most important contributor to PdEq at East Bull after Pd itself."

There might be a bit of a wedge pattern on the chart, but it also looks like a sideways pattern between 10 and 17 cents. There is strong support at 10 cents so limited down side from the current 13 cents. A break above resistance levels is what to watch for. I also note the volume has dried up, perhaps those selling from the private placement are exhausting out. Now we just need some buying.



Versus Nasdaq: VS Entry Price \$4.00

Recent Price – US\$6.70 Opinion - buy

I like the stock chart and there was good news out today. VS announced that its proprietary second-screen engagement platform will include alcohol-related products, promotions and even prizing in some circumstances as part of Versus's "Dynamic Regulatory Compliance" engine beginning in July of this year, aiming to capture a portion of the multibillion-dollar annual alcohol advertising market1.

Versus Systems has multiple granted patents around what Versus refers to as Dynamic Regulatory Compliance, which deals with how the Versus ad platform uses geotargeting, geofencing, age-gating, and other techniques to manage legal and regulatory issues for various forms of advertising, rewards, and prizing that can vary state-by-state and country-by-country.

"Alcohol-related advertising is one of the largest and also most closely-watched categories of ads - not only online but also in streaming, OTT, and broadcast media," said Matthew Pierce, founder and CEO of Versus. "Managed effectively, and targeted correctly, this category can help unlock a portion of the more than one trillion dollars that is spent on alcohol worldwide each year2. Versus' new XEO platform for streaming and live events in the US will soon be able to use programmatic inputs to include guidance obtained from each state's Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control – managing the regulatory issues while also giving fans, audiences and our partner brands a great interactive media experience."

The \$6.50 area looks like very strong support and we should not see much lower prices than where we are now.



A subscriber sent me a study on the effectiveness of face masks with Covid-19. They are pretty much useless, thank you! How good is this article?: So I jumped into it. It got some bad press because some web sites touted it as a Stanford University article and it is not, the author spent a year at Stanford, is the only relevance.

- For a scientific study to carry real weight is must be conducted by a reputable source, in this case Baruch Vainshelboim of <u>Rabin Medical Center in Israel</u>, he has 67 publications and spent one year as a visiting scholar at Stanford University, Just because it is one author, it should not be dismissed as it has numerous references;
- It must be published by a reputable entity, in this case the US National Library of Medicine,
 National Institutes of Health;
- It **must be peer reviewed** which means outside professionals who the study on the topic must review and sign off that it was done properly and accurately; It was peer reviewed.
- A very good study will also list all the references, in this case over 60 of them.

I went over the study and here are the main points to consider in my view.

the virus SARS-CoV-2 has a diameter of 60 nm to 140 nm [nanometers (billionth of a meter)] $^{[16]}$, while medical and non-medical facemasks' thread diameter ranges from 55 μ m to 440 μ m [micrometers (one millionth of a meter), which is more than 1000 times larger $^{[25]}$. Due to the difference in sizes between SARS-CoV-2 diameter and facemasks thread diameter (the virus is 1000 times smaller), SARS-CoV-2 can easily pass through any facemask

They also used a randomized controlled trial (RCT) of 246 participants [123 (50%) symptomatic)] who were allocated to either wearing or not wearing surgical facemask, and there was no difference if a mask was used or not used.

They did a recent systematic review of 39 studies including 33,867 participants in community settings (self-report illness), found no difference between N95 respirators versus surgical masks and surgical mask versus no masks in the risk for developing influenza or influenza-like illness, suggesting their ineffectiveness of blocking viral transmissions in community settings [29].

Here is the conclusion of the study found here

"The existing scientific evidences challenge the safety and efficacy of wearing facemask as preventive intervention for COVID-19. The data suggest that both medical and non-medical facemasks are ineffective to block human-to-human transmission of viral and infectious disease such SARS-CoV-2 and COVID-19, supporting against the usage of facemasks. Wearing facemasks has been demonstrated to have substantial adverse physiological and psychological effects. These include hypoxia, hypercapnia, shortness of breath, increased acidity and toxicity, activation of fear and stress response, rise in stress hormones, immunosuppression, fatigue, headaches, decline in cognitive performance, predisposition for viral and infectious illnesses, chronic stress, anxiety and depression. Long-term consequences of wearing facemask can cause health deterioration, developing and progression of chronic diseases and premature death. Governments, policy makers and health organizations should utilize prosper and scientific evidence-based approach with respect to wearing facemasks, when the latter is considered as preventive intervention for public health.

The author obtained his Ph.D. (Universidade do Porto) in clinical exercise physiology in pulmonary (respiratory) rehabilitation and hence has a strong interest in the relationship between health and masking. I looked at a number of his studies and appear well conducted. Poor guy has done 67 studies and nobody knows him and no bad press. He mentions masks and Covid-19 and he gets discredited all over the place. This is what you will find with search. Anytime there is an opposing view over the government mandated consensus and different views are part of the science process. They soon get censored. This is how communist countries operate their media and that is what is happening in North America.

In fact Trudeau government is about to tabled <u>an internet censorship bill to control the internet.</u>

Minister Steven Guilbeault "Once a publication is flagged it will have to be taken down within 24 hours of having it being flagged," he said. "There are not a lot of countries that are doing that right now."

This article out yesterday does a good job analyzing Baruch Vainshelboim's study. I suggest you have a read, it will probably soon be censored and gone. It was still live at 2:30PM today.

New Report Alleges that Face Masks are both Unhealthy and Ineffective, While PolitiFact Rebuts

Whether you wear a mask or not should be and is personnel choice. The only plus I have come across with masks is that they can help stop large droplets, think coughing and sneezing. That said, if you are doing that, you should not be out spreading your germs. Stick to the age old good advice, if you are not feeling well, stay at home, especially in these Covid-19 times.

What is important, that you know masks do not offer much protection, so don't rely on them what so ever.

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