

Newsletter

6 weeks in – time to see what the leaders are up to?

If you're not in profit you might be looking at the top players who have increased their portfolios by up to \$7,000 and wondering how they are doing it.

Especially in this volatile market.

To help answer your question, this fortnight we are taking a look into the trading activity of a few of the leaders as well as some of the most popular stocks traded by the top 10 players.

The top 10 and their strategies: Out of the top 10 players, we have 2 that have chosen to buy and hold, they have not sold at all. Three players have mostly held, but have sold a couple of times to either lock in profits or get rid of a non performing stock. There are 5 players that are buying and selling quite a bit, sometimes taking profits and then reinvesting in the same stock again.

Some players have chosen to sell out of everything and are just holding cash.

The most popular stocks traded by these players include: RSG - Resolute Mining, GXY - Galaxy Resources, BAL - Bellamy's, NST - Northern Star Resources, A2M - A2 Milk, EVN - Evolution Mining, and SBM - St Barbara.

An inside look at 3 portfolios: We have randomly chosen 3 leading portfolios*. In fairness to these players, we have hidden some of the shares they have invested in; however, this doesn't stop you from seeing the strategy the top players are using. Please remember, that trying to immediately replicate the leading portfolios would be missing the point, as the shares they hold may have already shown their greatest gains.

Player A: This player is using a buy and hold strategy. They have not sold any stocks. They hold 4 stocks including EVN, RSG and two others.

Player B: This player is using a mostly buy and hold strategy. They have sold three times to lock in profits. At present they only hold 2 stocks - KLA and one other.

Player C: This player has chosen to buy and sell buying 10 times and selling 7 times. They have sold to both lock in profits, but also to get out of some non-performing stocks. At present they are holding 3 stocks, including AOG, EHE and one other.

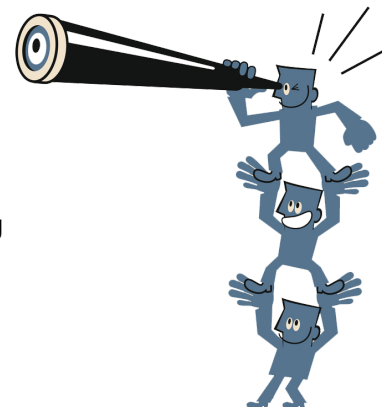
You can view player portfolios here. (CSV 2KB)

As you can see the top players are using a variety of strategies. It is important to remember, it is about playing your own Game, learning and testing your own strategies and seeing what works for you.

Don't be frustrated if your portfolio is showing losses. This is a difficult market to trade in, however, as a result you should be learning some valuable lessons.

How is your Game plan going? We'd love to hear from you - what lessons you have learnt so far, whether it is from a mistake, something you have tried and it is working well, a book you have found helpful. Email your feedback to share.game@asx.com.au.

Hope that helps,
The Games team



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The Game's best and worst performers so far

It has been a volatile period for the market in recent times following some fairly significant events. Since the Game started we have seen:

- An attempted murder of an ex-spy in the UK, and the diplomatic fallout
- Threat of a trade war between the world's two largest economies
- Another US Presidential sacking / sex scandal / enquiry
- Rising interest rates in the US
- Threat to self-funded retirees losing their access to franking credits, should Labor gain power
- People questioning unscrupulous behaviour from IT companies, both overseas and domestically

Is it any surprise that the market has been a little nervous?

Since the ASX Sharemarket Game started, the market is down a little over 2%. However, there have been some major swings in between. While seasoned investors like ourselves will say that it is simply the market behaving normally, others may be put off by the daily gyrations of global crises to stomach the volatility.

Let's look at the bottom performers to date:

Code	Name	Financial Health	Price	Fall since 22 March 2018
RFG	Retail Food Group	Distress	\$1.025	-51%
ISD	<u>iSentia Group</u>	Early Warning	\$0.845	-30%
GSW	<u>GetSwift</u>	Marginal	\$0.495	-27%
Q25	<u>Q25</u>	Marginal	\$5.71	-14%

ORE	Orocobre	Marginal	\$5.71	-14%
SGM	Sims Group	Strong	\$14.74	-13%

Source: Stock Doctor – Prices as at 28 March 2018

In the cases of RFG and GSW scandals have come to light since the Game began. In fact, the price of GSW had already experienced a falloff over 80% prior to the Game commencing. This reminds us of the importance of understanding the investment risks before making an investment decision. Remember, “cheap stocks” can get cheaper.

In the case of the last two companies, ORE and SGM; both experienced strong runups in share price for the full year, so it was not surprising to see them take a breather this month.

Amongst the best performers:

Code	Name	Financial Health	Price	Rise since 22 March 2018
BAL	Bellamy's Australia	Strong	\$21.60	+45%
OFX	OFX Group	Strong	\$1.715	+14%
SAR *	Saracen Minerals	Strong	\$1.80	+19%
RSG	Resolute Mining	Strong	\$1.28	+18%
PMV *	Premier Investments	Strong	\$15.86	+14%

* Denotes current Stock Doctor Star Stock

Source: Stock Doctor – Prices as at 28 March 2018

Given the recent volatility it is not surprising to see two gold miners; RSG and SAR in the top 5. BAL has been the standout as Chinese appetite for milk powder continues. Current Stock Doctor Star Stock PMV also delivered a strong report and retained its Star Stock status. It was no surprise to see them do well.

All the best for the remainder of the Game. Remember, stick to your strategy with discipline and learn lessons along the way.

Good luck Gamers!

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