

# VRA Special Report: VRA Strategy & Portfolio Update for a Generational Bull Market.

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We recommend saving this Special Report, as it contains our investing/strategy approach along with our specific portfolio recommendations for the "generational bull market" that's underway today.

# **VRA Investing Approach - Controlled Aggression**

From my early days on Wall Street, when I fell in love with growth stocks, my investing approach has been aggressive. After recommending Ultra Petroleum in the 1990's and seeing it rise from 15 cents/sh to \$200/sh in 9 years, I was hooked. Over the years, with the help of the VRA Investing System...now 30+ years in development/use...we've refined our investing approach to include market timing, deploying use of ETF's (leveraged in many cases).

Combined, its helped us to beat the markets 17/20 years with net profits/gains (open and closed positions) over the last 10 years of more than 4000%.

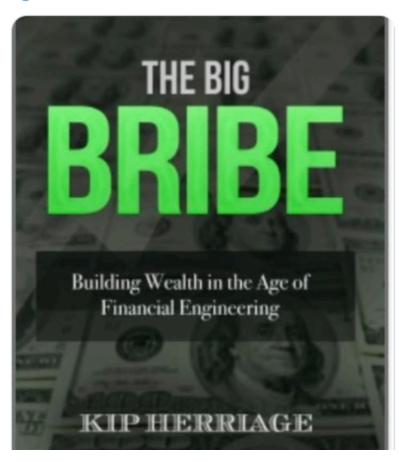
The Roaring 2020's - It's playing out now...this bull market and economic boom are only in their infancy.

After spending more than a year writing "The Big Bribe" Tyler and I published it just prior to the 10/13/22 bear market lows. We forecast a boom time in America, with the Roaring 2020's as the theme. We were among the only stock market bulls at the time...and no one was calling for a "market melt-up", at least not that we could find.

Our new book is out: "The Big Bribe: Financial Engineering and How To Profit From The Great Bull Market Ahead".

Everything that's happened over the last 20 yrs is connected, including the red-pilled risk-on melt up that's dead ahead.

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In my now 38 year career I'd never seen a better set-up. We'd just had 3 bear markets in 5 years, where the average stock had lost 40-60% of their value in each instance...brutal and unprecedented. Combined with DC insanity, It wasn't difficult to understand why investors hated...and feared...equities. But I'm also a lifelong contrarian and It was hard to find a better contrarian setup.

We saw a "structural" bull market on the horizon. Structural bull markets are the most powerful markets, as they're based in the reality of strong fundamentals, technicals, sentiment and analytics. And we had all of those in Q4 2022.

# **Evidence of an Extraordinary Structural Bull Market**

- -All time highs, stocks.
- -All time highs, home prices
- -All time highs, net equity in homes
- -All time highs, consumer net worth
- -1/3 homeowners have no mortgage (ATH)
- All-time highs, credit scores
- -Over the last 15 years both consumers & American companies have cut debt by 25% (to disposable income & mkt cap)
- -Corporate debt to mkt cap sits at 50 year lows
- -The ability to lever up is significant; powerful tailwinds for the US economy
- -Bitcoin/cryptos/blockchain/tokenization: stunning levels of disruption, financial engineering and contributions to US/global GDP (dramatic wealth creation for investors/consumers)

With the "innovation revolution" in just the early innings we continue to see this as the best opportunity for significant wealth creation since the 1995-2000 melt-up. We reiterate our long-established forecast that we are in the "Roaring 2020's" and that our "5 Megatrends" (from our 10/2022 book "The Big Bribe") will continue to power the US/global economies and equity markets sharply higher into 2030-ish (likely longer).

"Buy the dip" will continue to be the smartest of smart money strategies, as the innovation revolution "forces" earnings and stock markets higher, led by semis/tech, growth stocks and special situation opportunities. This structural move higher has the potential to become the most electric bull market since the 1995-2000 dotcom melt-up.

# Our 5 Big Bribe Megatrends are Playing Out

- 1) Financial engineering; its occurring at all levels (powered in part by AI); institutional/govt, corp America and consumers. Included is the "Great Reset" of a different kind (with rates falling for an extended period).
- 2) Corporate earnings expansion, driven by the "Innovation/Al Revolution", which should eventually surpass the euphoria of the dotcom/tech boom cycle.
- 3) Long term housing boom, powered by consumers in their best financial shape in decades (regardless of the PSYOP of negativity in place designed to make us think otherwise). Housing drives "everything".
- 4) The millennial generation. 72 million strong (now the largest segment of the population), in the process of inheriting >\$70 trillion. Millennials love housing, stocks, cryptos with an understanding of technology that's in their DNA...and they are born entrepreneurs.
- 5) The red-pilling of America and the return of animal spirits. We're waking up to the dangers of communism and what we want, instead. Hugely bullish for our long term prosperity, even our survival as the last great democracy/republic standing.

VRA Bottom Line: Combined, these 5 Megatrends have the power to take the Dow Jones past 100,000 and Nasdaq past 40,000 (into 2030-ish) with massive wealth creation occurring throughout the economy (when we first wrote these words 20 months ago, we were among the first to state that we are in the Roaring 2020's). We repeat; now is the time to stay locked in...something special is in the process of playing out. Many remain negative...even frightened...by buying stocks at all-time highs. It's this level of fear among many investors that will continue to drive stocks higher.

# Platforms Of Innovation: How Converging Technologies Should Propel A Step Change In Economic Growth

Must-read, must save.

In their latest white paper on the extraordinary growth that Cathie Wood and team expect from disruptive technologies, the ARK Research team breaks down what they see as "turbocharged real GDP growth" over the next 15-20 years of 6-8%/year. It outlines five key innovation platforms expected to drive unprecedented growth and transformation across various sectors: Public Blockchains, Multiomic Sequencing, Artificial Intelligence, Energy Storage, and Robotics. These platforms are identified as emerging general purpose technologies poised to accelerate economic growth significantly.

While traditional forecasters expect real GDP to reach \$130 trillion in 2030 and \$160 trillion by 2040, thanks to technologically enabled disruptive innovation, ARK believes that real GDP growth will accelerate. If they are correct, real GDP could reach \$170 trillion and \$470 trillion globally in 2030 and 2040.

The "innovation revolution" is well underway, featuring dramatic corporate earnings growth, a continued surge in productivity and yes, a bull market of bull markets.

# **ARK White Paper:**

https://assets.arkinvest.com/media-8e522a83-1b23-4d58-a202-792712f8d2d3/ff76349d -7983-4384-899f-a105178f886c/Convergence%20White%20Paper%20PUBLICATION %2020240321.pdf



#### **Public Blockchain**

Upon large-scale adoption, all money and contracts will likely migrate onto Public Blockchains that enable and verify digital scarcity and proof of ownership. The financial ecosystem is likely to reconfigure to accommodate the rise of Cryptocurrencies and Smart Contracts. These technologies increase transparency, reduce the influence of capital and regulatory controls, and collapse contract execution costs. In such a world, Digital Wallets would become increasingly necessary as more assets become money-like, and corporations and consumers adapt to the new financial infrastructure. Corporate structures themselves may be called into question.

## **Artificial Intelligence**

Computational systems and software that evolve with data can solve intractable problems, automate knowledge work, and accelerate technology's integration into every economic sector. The adoption of Neural Networks should prove more momentous than the introduction of the internet and potentially create 10s of trillion dollars of value. At scale these systems will require unprecedented computational resources, and Al-specific compute hardware should dominate the Next Gen Cloud datacenters that train and operate Al models. The potential for end-users is clear: a constellation of Al-driven Intelligent Devices that pervade people's lives, changing the way that they spend, work, and play. The adoption of artificial intelligence should transform every sector, impact every business, and catalyze every innovation platform.

# Five Converging Platforms Are Likely To Define This Technological Era

### **Multiomic Sequencing**

The cost to gather, sequence, and understand digital biological data is falling precipitously. Multiomic Technologies provide research scientists, therapeutic organizations and health platforms with unprecedented access to DNA, RNA, protein, and digital health data. Cancer care should transform with pancancer blood tests. Multiomic data should feed into novel Precision Therapies using

emerging gene editing techniques that target and cure rare diseases and chronic conditions. Multiomics should unlock entirely new Programmable Biology capabilities, including the design and synthesis of novel biological constructs with applications across industries, particularly agriculture and food production.

# **Energy Storage**

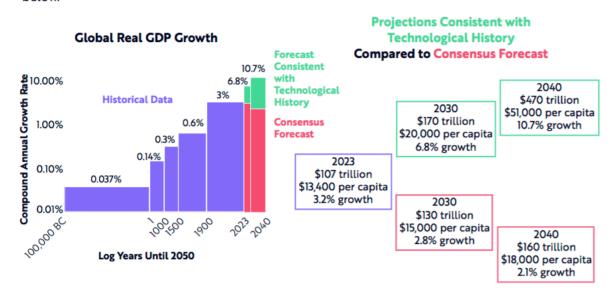
Declining costs of Advanced Battery Technology should cause an explosion in form factors, enabling Autonomous Mobility systems that collapse the cost of getting people and things from place to place. Electric drivetrain cost declines should unlock micro-mobility and aerial systems, including flying taxis, enabling business models that transform the landscape of cities. Autonomy should reduce the cost of taxi, delivery, and surveillance by an order of magnitude, enabling frictionless transport that could increase the velocity of e-commerce and make individual car ownership the exception rather than the rule. These innovations combined with large-scale stationary batteries should cause a transformation in energy, substituting electricity for liquid fuel and pushing generation infrastructure towards the edge of the network.

# Robotics

Catalyzed by artificial intelligence, Adaptive Robots can operate alongside humans and navigate legacy infrastructure, changing the way products are made and sold. 3D Printing should contribute to the digitization of manufacturing, increasing not only the performance and precision of end-use parts but also the resilience of supply chains. Meanwhile, the world's fastest robots, Reusable Rockets, should continue to reduce the cost of launching satellite constellations and enable uninterruptible connectivity. A nascent innovation platform, robotics could collapse the cost of distance with hypersonic travel, the cost of manufacturing complexity with 3D printers, and the cost of production with Al-guided robots.

Traditional forecasters expect real GDP to reach \$130 trillion in 2030 and \$160 trillion by 2040—or \$15,000 and \$18,000 per capita, respectively. Interestingly, they expect the global growth rate to decay consistently over the next two decades. In contrast, thanks to technologically enabled disruptive innovation, ARK believes that real GDP growth will accelerate, dramatically. If they are correct, real GDP could reach \$170 trillion and \$470 trillion globally in 2030. 2040,

In our view, technological convergences across five innovation platforms will unlock a discontinuous step change in annualized economic growth over the coming business cycle. Our view differs substantially from consensus expectations. 4 How? Let's look at the data in the chart below.



VRA Market and Portfolio Update: What we're witnessing is clear broadening action in the market. Exactly as you'd expect in the Roaring 2020's. Not only did we just get ATH's in S&P 500, Dow Jones, Nasdaq & Nasdaq 100, but we also had ATH's in the Nasdaq & Nasdaq 100 equal weighted indexes. Significant broadening is taking place. Textbook (early) bull market action. We can also officially announce that for the first time (going back a long time), the VRA Investing System now sits at 11/12 screens bullish.

# **Phenomenal Smart Money Setups**

**1) The Semis hitting ATH after ATH.** In absolute beast mode with gains of 172% from the bear market lows of 10/13/22.

From the birth of QE the semis have been THE tell for broad market direction, as well as the direction of the economy. Wonder what they're telling us about the direction of the markets and economy from here...?

We own SOXL (3 x Semi ETF), which is up 625% from our "pound the table" call of 10/13/22.

- 2) Precious Metals and Miners: If you're a true contrarian it's impossible not to be long gold, silver & miners. Reminder that the miners (GDX) have gained 170% on average during the last 3 rate cutting cycles. This group is absolutely hated. Keep buying NUGT, SNWGF, VGZ and physical gold and silver. Bull market of bull markets underway here.
- 3) VRA Macro Update" Our 2024 forecasts remain unchanged:
- interest rates will continue to decline...the Fed will cut rates 2-4 x.
- -US equity markets will continue to rise at > 20% rate, in just the second year of a powerful new "generational" bull market.
- -Semis/tech will continue to lead higher. From the birth of QE there's been no better tell for market direction than the semis. **We own SOXL**, **PLTR**, **XTRAF**, **KWEB**, **TSLA**.
- -The Russell 2000 will be a top performing index with gains of >40%. Small caps are 14% below ATH, meaning the markets are giving us a gift. **We own TNA.**
- -Bitcoin will break \$100k (likely in/out of the April halving) with upside potential to \$200k+ in 2024. **We own Bitcoin (or BTC ETF; ARKB) and Galaxy Digital (BRPHF).**
- Gold will top \$2400/oz with \$3000 possible. The miners will put up gains of >75%. **We own NUGT plus VRA 10-baggers SNWGF and VGZ, along with physical gold and silver.**

We're in a structural bull market of size and scope, as outlined in "The Big Bribe" driven by the "innovation revolution" (one of our 5 Megatrends) along with consumers and corp America in their strongest shape in decades. A generational bull market. We're in 1996. "Buy the dip" will remain the smartest of smart money strategies.

In the VRA Portfolio, we own and recommend the following innovation/Al buy recs:

- Tesla (TSLA)
- SOXL (3 x Semi ETF)
- Xtract One Tech (XTRAF)
- KWEB (China Internet ETF)
- Palantir (PLTR)
- Bitcoin (and/or BTC ETF ARKB)
- Galaxy Digital (BRPHF)

# 4) Bitcoin; Epic Move Higher Developing

Bitcoin is smaller than Microsoft, Apple, Nvidia, Amazon and Meta, but its not a company. Instead, Bitcoin is its own asset class; as a defacto global currency. BTC's market cap...now just \$1.3 trillion...will soon be a multiple larger of the largest companies on the planet. Combined with SEC BTC approvals and upcoming halving, keep buying BTC.

As we've covered often over the years, there is no better supply/demand story on the planet than Bitcoin. After booking profits of 2100% in 2021, the VRA Portfolio we re-purchased BTC on 6/21/23 at \$28,800, where we have gains of 130%.

The 9 new SEC-approved BTC ETFs have already taken in a "net" \$11 billion in in purchases. Stunning, especially in light of the fact that approx 80% of US advisors/money managers. etc. have yet to approve the purchase of BTC or BTC ETF's (including the likes of behemoths like Vanguard)

Bitcoins move higher into the April halving has been accelerating, with the next halving taking place on 4/19 (approx).

3 halvings have occurred to date, taking place every 4 years (2012, 2016, 2020), each with extraordinary gains.

Halving is a mechanism written in the blockchain's algorithm to control the supply of bitcoin, which has a cap of 21 million. At halvings, the reward for bitcoin mining is cut in half, meaning that miners will receive 50% fewer bitcoins for verifying transactions. Halvings are scheduled to happen after every 210,000 blocks are mined, or about every four years, until the maximum supply of 21 million bitcoins are all released.

The next halving is estimated to happen on April 19, though the exact time is subject to change, according to bitcoin investment platform Swan Bitcoin. Bitcoin's block reward is expected to be cut from 6.25 to 3.125 bitcoins in the next halving.

# Results of the previous 3 halvings:

2012 Halving #1: BTC rose from \$12 to \$964 (1 year) +7900%

2016 Halving #2: BTC rose from \$640 to \$19,752 (18 months) +2900%

2020 Halving #3: Bitcoin rose from \$8750 to \$69,990 (18 months) +700%



We called the bottom on 10/13/22, a top capitulation event of my career.

We Immediately went aggressively long semis, tech & housing.

We've remained aggressively long stocks, consistently buying dips.

Just prior to the bear market bottom in 2022 I published my 4th book "The Big Bribe" where @therriage18 and I outlined our 5 Megatrends that would power the Roaring 2020's and the next dot-com-like bull market that would ultimately take the Dow Jones past 100,000 and Nasdaq past 40,000.

After taking profits of 2100% in Bitcoin in 2021, we went long BTC again in June 2023 @ \$28,800. This move should take BTC past \$150,000.

We're in a generational bull market for equities & risk assets that will likely surpass even our targets.

Stay locked in. Never-before-seen levels of wealth creation are on the way, as the "innovation revolution" brings transformative change to the world.

<u>VRA Portfolio Focus Stocks and ETF's</u>: We own VRA ETF's: ERX (2 x Energy ETF), SOXL (3 x Semi ETF), TNA (3 x R2K ETF), NUGT (2 x Miner ETF), URA (Uranium ETF), KWEB (China Internet ETF) and of course our VRA 10 Baggers, which include our focus names of today; Tesla (TSLA), Vista Gold (VGZ), Falcon Oil and Gas (FOLGF), Xtract One (XTRAF), Palantir (PLTR) and Snowline Gold (SNWGF). We also added Bitcoin back to the VRA Portfolio at \$28,800 (or ARKB).

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Until next time, thanks again for reading.

**Kip** 

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