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Market Minute

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Important Last Week

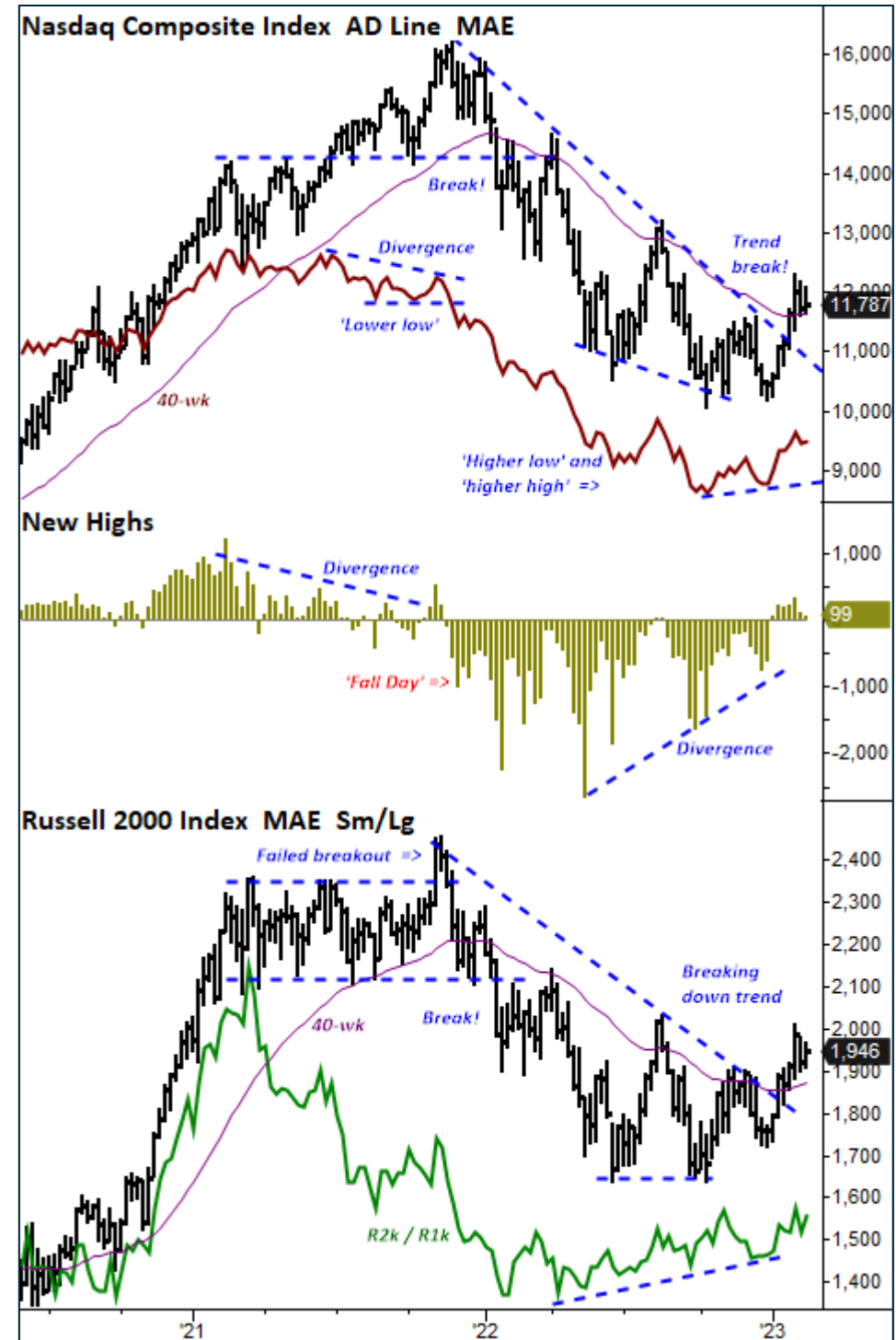
'Inside Week'

- A quiet, 'inside', week for stocks
- 'Lower highs' & 'higher lows' on charts
- Still no damage technically
- Internals remain strong
- Small caps still leading the way higher
- On week: Russell 2,000: +1.4%, S&P 500: -0.3%
- Have checked 'Step 3' of bottoming process

Bottoming Process

- ✓ Set initial low
- ✓ Bounce & test that low (can do so more than once)
- ✓ Follow-through to the upside
- ☐ Test the breakout successfully

Note: Process can fail & restart



Big Picture

Commodities / US\$:

- Commodities up 2x since Mar'20
- BCOM holding key 105 area
- Oil likely a key 'canary' going forward

Yields / Credit:

- 10-yr. finding support in 3½% area
- Biggest yield curve inversion since 1981
- Corporate credit markets stabilizing

Stocks:

- Have seen a typical 'bear market'
- Market internals improving dramatically
- Now breaking down trendlines (Step 3)
- Likely embarking on new cyclical bull



Trends	LT	Notes
Commodities	---	Finally seeing a meaningful pullback, BCOM Index slipping through 110 area
Bonds/Rates	▼ / ▲	10-yr. finding support in 3½% area; corporate credit now improving
Stocks	▲	Have seen an 'average' bear decline, and now breaking key down trendline



About Mike

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Prior to joining NexPoint he launched 2 of the first 100 'alternative mutual funds', including the Fusion Global Long/Short Fund (FGLSX) which posted a positive return in 2008 and won the Lipper Performance Achievement Award in the Long/Short category for the one-year period ending December 31, 2008 (ranked #1 of 90).

Mike also served as Chief Technical Strategist for several boutique research firms, including: SoundView Technology Group and E*Offering (The Investment Bank of E*TRADE).

He proudly served in the United States Navy, where he flew over 50 combat missions during Operation Desert Storm, earning two Air Medals.

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