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Investors should carefully consider the investment objectives, risks, charges and expenses of the Rational Funds. This and other important information about the Fund is contained in the prospectus, which can be obtained by calling (800) 253-0412 or at www.RationalMF.com. The prospectus should be read carefully before investing. The Rational Funds are distributed by Northern Lights Distributors, LLC member FINRA/SIPC. Rational Advisors, Inc. is not affiliated with Northern Lights Distributors, LLC.

Mutual Funds involve risk including the possible loss of principal. There is no assurance that the fund will achieve its investment objectives. The use of leverage embedded in written options will limit the Fund's gains because the Fund may lose more than the option premium received. Selling covered call options will limit the Fund's gain, if any, on its underlying securities and the Fund continues to bear the risk of a decline in the value of its underlying stocks. The CBOE S&P 500 BuyWrite Index (BXM) is a benchmark index designed to track the performance of a hypothetical buy-write strategy on the S&P 500 Index. The BXM is a passive total return index based on (1) buying an S&P 500 stock index portfolio, and (2) "writing" (or selling) the near-term S&P 500 Index (SPXSM) "covered" call option, generally on the third Friday of each month. The S&P 500 Index consists of 500 stocks chosen for market size, liquidity, and industry group representation. It is a market-value weighted index (stock price times number of shares outstanding), with each stock's weight in the Index proportionate to its market value. It is widely used as a benchmark of U.S. equity performance. It is not possible to invest directly in an index. Standard deviation is a statistical measurement of volatility risk based on historical returns. Investing in the Fund carries certain risks.

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Why Rational Funds

Capital markets are heavily influenced by behavioral biases – human emotions such as fear, greed, pride, and jealousy often overwhelmingly dominate logic and reason. As a result, our investment philosophy is based on applying a rational approach to investing, absent of any ad hoc or emotional decision-making to keep our portfolios disciplined and completely objective when faced with investment opportunities. Rather than relying on forecast, opinion, or intuition, our focus is to observe, analyze and identify potentially repeatable sources of return using quantifiable and relevant information. We employ rigorous research that is backed by sound academic theory.



The **Rational Iron Horse Fund** seeks total return with less volatility than equity markets in general.

There is no assurance that the Fund will achieve its investment objective.

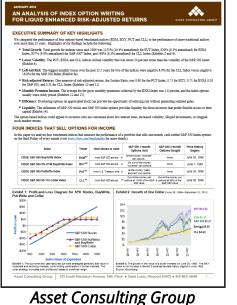
The Strategy predominantly invests in dividend-paying companies and uses call options in an attempt to create incremental income and reduce portfolio volatility. The Strategy seeks to make income a more significant component of the total investment return and targets long term risk-adjusted returns versus long-only equities. The goal is a portfolio that generates a higher than average annual income with a target of 6-8% annual income. There is no assurance that the Fund will achieve its investment objective.

At Rational Funds, we believe that investors should consider reallocating to strategies focusing on risk aversion, high dividend, low volatility, high quality U.S. equities. Historically, dividend stocks have contributed a substantial amount to investors' total return, and they have worked particularly well in volatile market environments.

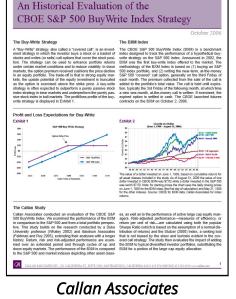
Research: The Case For Covered Calls

The CBOE website references three different studies that have been performed over the past 10 years on the risk-return dynamics of covered calls. All three firms concluded that a passive buy-write strategy has a superior risk-return profile than long-only equities.

- Each study covers different periods of time, ranging from 16 to 26 years
- All three studies found that the covered call index (BXM) earned roughly the <u>same annualized return</u> as the S&P 500 over the long term, but at <u>lower risk</u> (30-33% lower average standard deviation)
- Studies are available on the CBOE website (www.cboe.com)



Asset Consulting Group Published January 2012



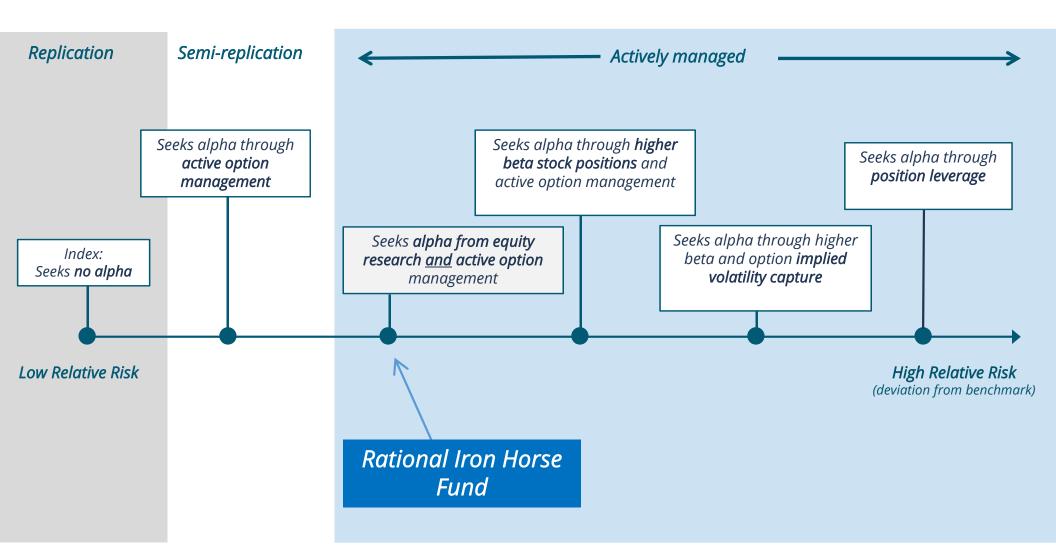
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Published September 2004

Of course, there is no guarantee that any investment strategy will achieve its objectives, generate profits or avoid losses. Past performance is no assurance of future results.

Not All Covered Calls are Created Equal



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Investment Process

Intellectual Capital Basis

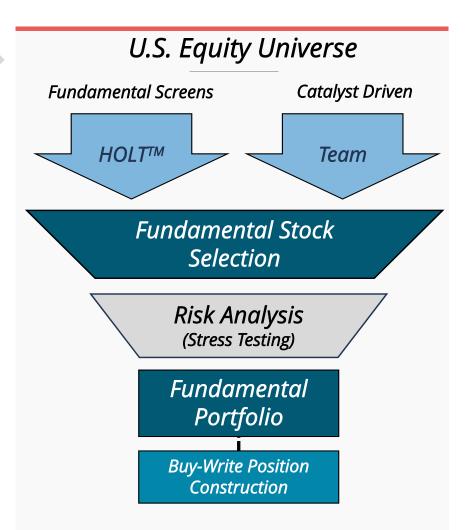
The Rational Iron Horse Fund process is built upon two primary sources of intellectual capital:

Fundamental Analysis (HOLT[™])*

HOLT's objective, fundamental valuation framework attempts to distill away accounting distortions and identify companies that the managers believe will create wealth over time

Risk Analysis (proprietary risk models)

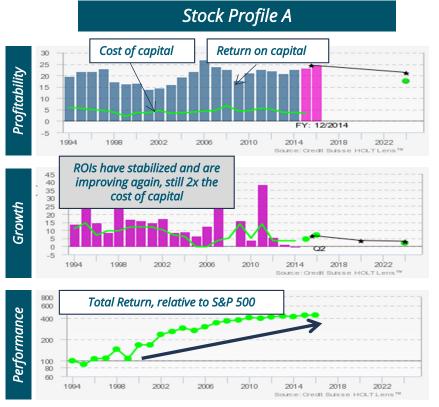
The Fund uses fundamental and technical models to establish key support levels and "stress test" the watch list. The Funds unique portfolio construction process ensures that the largest holdings are those with the best risk/reward ratios



*HOLT is a trademark of Credit Suisse Securities

Although the Fund will strive to meet its investment objective, there is no assurance that it will do so.

Quality & Consistency: Why We Prefer Profile A



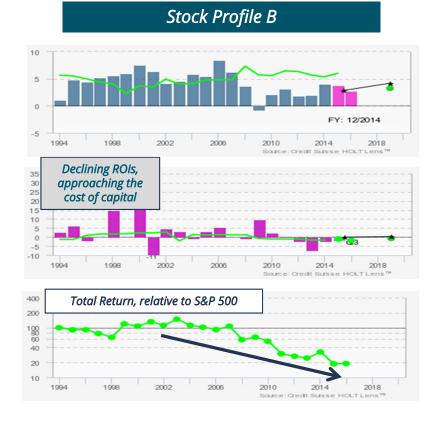
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Attractive Profile

Key Points:

- Strong, stable returns reflect strong business models
- Good companies manage well through downturns and business cycles
- Consistent returns above cost of capital combined with asset growth create shareholder value

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Unattractive Profile

Portfolio Construction

The Fund has the flexibility to go longer term options than CBOE BuyWrite Index (BXM) while maintaining a more stable risk exposure relative to the BXM.

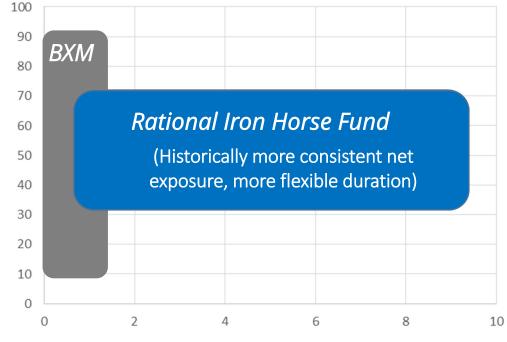
Net Exposure (%)

PORTFOLIO CONSTRUCTION - EQUITY

- Seeks to invest in 60-80 high quality, high ROI companies with below average debt, above average dividends, and above average fundamental upside.
- Holdings limited to positions with sufficient liquidity.
- Position size determined by upside/downside ratio (not purely upside potential).
- Maximum position size is 5%.
- No significant sector bets (sector exposure within a 5% +/- range of S&P 500 sector weights).
- Margin and leverage not permitted.
- Allocations considered to remain fully invested unless directed otherwise.

There are risks associated with the sale and purchase of call and put options. There is a risk that changes in volatility assumptions are not consistent or correlated for options of various terms to expiration.

PORTFOLIO CONSTRUCTION - OPTIONS



Option Duration (months)

Portfolio Highlights

The Fund does not necessarily own the stocks with the highest dividend yields. The Fund prefers stocks with strong dividend growth and low payout ratios (capacity for future growth).

Sector Allocation: as of September 30, 2019

Health Care	21.4%
Information Technology	15.0%
Financials	14.1%
Consumer Staples	9.2%
Utilities	8.9%
Communication Services	8.2%
Consumer Discretionary	8.1%
Industrials	7.9%
Energy	6.7%
Materials	6.2%
Cash	1.4%

Top Ten Holdings: as of September 30, 2019

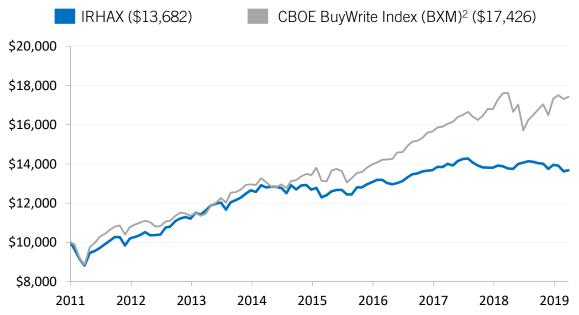
Johnson & Johnson	5.9%
Apple Inc	5.1%
CVS Health Corp	5.1%
Dominion Energy Inc	4.7%
PPL Corp	4.2%
International Business Machines Corp	4.1%
LyondellBasell Industries NV	4.1%
JPMorgan Chase & Co	3.9%
US Bancorp	3.6%
Exxon Mobil Corp	3.2%
Portfolio Statistics: as of September 30, 20	19
Number of Holdings	48
Median Market Cap (\$mil)	73,805

Dividend Yield

3.21%

The **Rational Iron Horse Fund (IRHIX)** seeks total return. The Fund is driven by a return-oncapital framework that provides for quality comparisons of companies across industries, sectors and geography and primarily invests in dividend-paying common stocks.

Growth of \$10,000: Ending September 30, 2019



Risk Analysis Since Inception*

Since inception* risk measures apply to Class A Shares only. Inception date of Class A Share: 7/7/2011. Holdings are subject to change and should not be considered investment advice.

Standard Deviation – Fund (Annualized)	6.14%
Standard Deviation – S&P 500 (Annualized)	12.04%
Sharpe Ratio	0.63
Beta vs. S&P 500	0.39
R-Squared vs. S&P 500	0.60

Important Definitions: Standard Deviation: A measure of daily volatility of returns. Typically, the higher the volatility, the riskier the security. Beta: A measure of the volatility of a fund relative to the overall market. Sharpe Ratio: A risk-adjusted measure used to determine reward per unit of risk. R-Squared: The percentage of a fund's movement that can be explained by movements in its benchmark index.

Past Performance does not guarantee future results.

Inception date of A Share: 7/7/2011, Inception date of I Share 11/16/2017.

Fund Performance: Ending September 30, 2019

	YTD	1yr	3yrs	5yrs	Since Inception*
Institutional Class	-2.56	-0.31	1.88	1.60	5.14
CBOE BuyWrite Index (BXM) ²	10.88	-1.11	6.99	5.92	6.98
Class A	-2.77	-0.65	1.63	1.33	3.88
Class A w/ Load	-8.32	-6.34	-0.36	0.14	3.14

*Inception date A Share: 7/7/2011. Returns greater than 1 year are annualized. Inception date I Share: 11/16/2011. Returns greater than 1 year are annualized. Class C Share launch date 1/11/2017.

Past performance is not a guarantee of future results.

The maximum sales charge for Class "A" Shares is 5.75%. Class "C" Shares held for less than one year are subject to a 1% CDSC. Performance is historic and does not guarantee future results. Investment return and principal value will fluctuate with changing market conditions so that when redeemed, shares may be worth more or less than their original cost. Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance data quoted. To obtain the most recent month end performance information or the funds prospectus please call 800-253-0412 or visit <u>www.RationalMF.com</u>.

Summary & How To Invest

We are experienced portfolio managers, with long-term track records in tactical asset allocation, US equities, global equities, covered calls, and US corporate and municipal bonds. Our five member investment committee collaborates on a weekly basis to construct and monitor custom portfolios for our clients.

The **Rational Iron Horse Fund** seeks a risk-managed total return on investment, with dividend and option income as an important component of that return.

Share Class	Ticker	Minimum Investment	CUSIP	Net Expense*	Gross Expense*
Institutional	IRHIX	\$1,000	628255689	1.74%	2.38%
Class A	IRHAX	\$1,000	628255713	1.98%	2.62%
Class C	IRHCX	\$1,000	628255697	2.73%	3.30%

How to Invest

*The Fund's investment advisor, Rational Advisors, Inc. (the "Advisor") has contractually agreed to waive all or a portion of its management fee and/or reimburse certain operating expenses of the Fund to the extent necessary in order to limit the Fund's total annual fund operating expenses (after the fee waivers and/or expense reimbursements, and exclusive of acquired fund fees and expenses, brokerage costs, interest, taxes and dividends, and extraordinary expenses such as litigation or reorganizational costs) to not more than 1.70%, 1.95% and 2.70% of the Institutional Shares, Class A Shares and Class C Shares daily net assets, respectively, through April 30, 2020.

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Appendix

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Van Hulzen Asset Management

EXPERIENCED	Thirteen years of direct covered call experience, including managing through two bull markets and two bear markets
INDEPENDENT	SEC-registered investment advisor based in El Dorado Hills, California; Majority employee owned firm; \$800M in AUM as of 09/30/2018
RESULTS ORIENTED	15+ year covered call SMA track record; Strong growth in institutional assets
RISK MANAGED	Fundamentally based portfolio construction integrating covered calls and high dividend paying equities to provide downside risk management
DIVERSIFIED	Covered call management offered through separate accounts and a 1940 Act fund, the Rational Iron Horse Fund (ticker IRHAX/IRHCX/IRHIX)

Investment Team

The team combines institutional and covered call experience, with a strong focus on fundamentals.



Craig Van Hulzen, Founder & President

Mr. Van Hulzen started the business in 1998. He serves on the Board of Directors and oversees the equity and covered call investment process. *Mr.* Van Hulzen is a former risk management consultant and expert witness for numerous state pensions plans.

Mr. Van Hulzen holds a B.A. in Business Finance from Point Loma Nazarene University.



John R. Pearce, Managing Director

Mr. Pearce joined the Firm in February 2008. He co-manages the Firm's equity and covered call strategies and serves on the Board. Prior to joining Van Hulzen, Mr. Pearce was a Director in the Investment Banking division of Credit Suisse Securities. Prior to Credit Suisse, he was an equity analyst at HOLT.

Mr. Pearce holds a B.A. in Economics from the University of Virginia and a M.S. in Accounting from the College of Charleston.

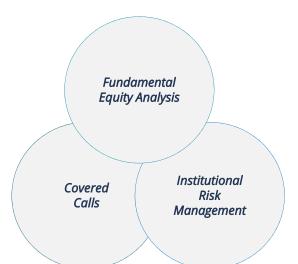
Analysis / Construction

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Stefan ten Brink, Managing Director

Mr. ten Brink joined the Firm in January 2011 from Petercam Asset Management in Amsterdam. He has 21 years of investment advisory experience, having co-managed the Ahold Pension Fund prior to joining Petercam. He has 15+ years experience with the HOLT framework.

Mr. ten Brink holds a degree in Logistics & Economics from Arnhem Business School and an MBA from Nijmegen University. Stefan is a Certified European Financial Analyst (CEFA).



Benchmarking

S&P 500

Description

- 500 stocks, market-value weighted
- Chosen for market size, liquidity, financial viability and industry group representation

Benchmark relevance

 The most widely used proxy for US large cap stocks

Criteria for addition to index

- US companies
- Market cap > \$4 billion
- Public float > 50%
- *4 consecutive quarters of positive earnings*
- Adequate liquidity
- Sector representation

CBOE S&P 500 BuyWrite Index (BXM)

Description

- Passive buy-write index
- Owns the S&P 500 index
- Sells near-term index options

Benchmark relevance

• More comparable risk, providing for a more apples-to-apples comparison

Specific criteria

- Own S&P 500 stocks
- Options one month out
- Strike price slightly OTM
- Cash settlement at expiration
- Performance data back to 1986
- Does not incorporate trading costs

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The referenced indices are shown for general market comparisons and are not meant to represent the Fund. Investors cannot directly invest in an index; unmanaged index returns do not reflect any fees, expenses or sales charges. 17

Investment Strategy: Different By Design

The **Rational Iron Horse Fund** employs a fundamental process for selecting stocks driven by a return-on-capital framework that provides for quality comparisons of companies across industries, sectors and geography.

RISK MANAGEMENT

Risk management is a key element of the Funds strategy. The portfolio construction process includes the following risk management procedures:

Portfolio Construction & Size Limits

- Holdings are "equal weighted" based on downside risk...not investment dollars. The stronger the upside/ downside ratio, the larger the holding.
- Individual positions cannot exceed 5% of the portfolio. The average holding is closer to 2.5-3.0%.
- No sector bets. Sector allocation within +/- 5% of S&P 500 sector weights.

Sell Discipline

- Upon entering a position, pre-determine price targets for trim/sell orders. Target prices are established based on a combination of fundamental/technical investment process.
- Apply strict stop-loss rules to all positions. Using technical analytics to determine "break" points to sell positions that unexpectedly begin a meaningful downward trend.

Common Covered Call Approach

- Generally option trading strategies are designed to derive alpha from implied volatility, or skewness, delta hedging* or other derivativespecific goals.
- Generally a higher beta portfolio with a high turnover rate and lower quality holdings. Option income drives portfolio decisions, which in turn can lead to poor credit quality.
- + Fund writes stock index and single stock options to generate income and to reduce exposure to stop market price declines. It is not an option trading strategy.

Iron Horse Covered Call Approach

- + The first priority is building a portfolio of high quality companies with sustainable business models and above average dividends.
- + The portfolio is built through fundamental equity research. The options applied are tailor-designed for each individual underlying equity position and are dynamically managed.
- + The options add incremental income and downside protection, through strike price and option duration selection.
- + The objective is consistent returns, not home runs, with roughly equal parts income & growth.

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