

Free Picks – June 3rd Weekend

Seven weeks of winners in straight wagers, our two PLAYOFF picks cashed easily, resulting in a 2-1 weekend. Straight wagers are on a 13-16 tear in the last six weeks!

The Phoenix Suns have been rebound warriors this post-season, which is NOT to say that they've been dominating the glass, but rather, that they've been bouncing back from losses very well. The Suns are 5-0-0 ATS when coming off an ATS loss, and 6-1-0 ATS following an S.U. loss. The Mavericks, however, have shown complacency: the team is now 0-3-0 ATS in their last three games following an ATS win. Complementing these trends is the fact that Phoenix has been an extremely good home team this year, (6-2-0 ATS in their last eight), and as the small home dog, we predict they'll get the job done and force a Game Seven. **Play Phoenix on the Moneyline.**

After allowing Buffalo to force a Game Seven, the Carolina Hurricanes laid it on the line and showed the NHL that they are a force to be reckoned with. We predict that with adequate rest, and home ice advantage, they pick up off this emotional win and grab an early 1-0 lead against the Oilers. With no recent history between these teams, we're relying on the Oilers being a little rusty, and the Hurricanes having just enough rest to be at full strength, but still close enough to the big win to be pumped up. Interestingly, with three days of rest or more, the Oilers are only 3-5-1-1 this season, whereas the Hurricanes are 6-4-1-0. This shows that Carolina can stay focused and get healthy at the same time. **Play the Carolina Hurricanes.**

The Houston Astros and the Cincinnati Reds square off tonight, and we're loving the various trends that come together in Cinci's favor. First, the Reds are 6-2 in Arroyo's last eight starts – this guy is hot, with a stellar 2.58 ERA. The Reds have won his past two starts, and have shown solid offense in each, including a 15-5 drubbing of Milwaukee. Compare that with Astros starter Nieve, who has a 5.36 ERA. Houston comes into this one at 2-7 in their last nine overall, leading us to believe that this is the correct time to make a play against the Astros. **Play the Cincinnati Reds.**

Tim Spears and the ParlayPick crew are giving you a special three-teamer this week, recommending plays on the Toronto Blue Jays, the Chicago White Sox, and the St. Louis Cardinals.

The White Sox have lost four straight, but look in prime position to rebound behind starting pitcher Vasquez. Manager Ozzie Guillen has threatened lineup changes if this team does not begin playing hard, and we expect to see a supreme effort Saturday night against Padilla and the Rangers. Texas is just 5-21 in the last 26 meetings in Chicago, making them an excellent candidate to be the victims as Chicago gets back in the wins column. **Play Chicago White Sox**

Simply put, Roy Halladay has been untouchable this season. We've backed him in each of his starts, and will continue to do so. He's 6-1, but the team is 9-1 in games that he's pitched. With an ERA of 2.88 and the ability to blow hitters away with untouchable stuff, Halladay will simply outmatch D-Rays starter Mark Hendrickson, who is just 5.30 in his last three. **Play Toronto Blue Jays.**

There is very little reason to think that the Chicago Cubs will pull off an upset win on Saturday against the Cardinals. The Cubs are 3-13 in their last 16 as a road dog. In their last four against an LHP, they are 0-4. Glendon Rusch is 0-3 in his last three starts as an underdog. Finally, the Cardinals have gotten the job done against bad teams – they are 14-2 in their last 16 games against teams with a losing record. **Play the St. Louis Cardinals.**

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