

## Free Picks – March 3<sup>rd</sup> Weekend

THE WIN STREAK CONTINUES as we blasted our way to a 4-0 weekend, with 100% of our picks cashing, **including** our weekly PARLAY play. Thus, while we hit all four plays, your BANK ACCOUNT was boosted in the same way as if you'd won **five or six**, thanks to this great value offered. Included in the destruction we wreaked on the books was the Ivy League total smasher we predicted, with Princeton and Dartmouth going "over," the defensive Lockdown in LA we called for in NBA action, and as mentioned, the 2-team Parlay Play.

This week return with another hefty card, including a college play, an NBA pick, the return of our NHL PUCKLINE POUNDING, and the weekly PARLAYPlay.

As you know, we tend to be cautious laying a heavy number, but this situation appears solid for Suns fans, with Phoenix favored big against Orlando. The Magic are playing their third road game in four nights, and Phoenix has been one of the strongest home teams this season, at 23-8. The Suns are on an eight game win streak, and have hit 110 pts in each of their last three wins. We're not convinced the Magic will make a game of this, particularly since they've been unable to hit the century mark in 10 of their last 12. Finally, the Magic have got to be demoralized heading into this one against the NBA's highest-scoring team, whereas the Suns are playing their last game at home before a road swing, and will come out pumped up, running, and gunning. **Play Phoenix.**

After cashing our Ivy League NCAA hoops play last week, we return to that league with one of our strongest emotional edges yet this season. The Penn Quakers head to New Haven needing just one win to lock up a share of the Ivy League title for the second year in a row. Only one other team – Princeton – can claim a share of the title, but they need to beat Penn when they host them Tuesday *and* have Penn lose this weekend. Penn wants to end all doubt and grab a share of the title tonight. They're on the road, but when they played at home, the Quakers won by 22. Now they're only favored by 6? You've got to be kidding. Look for a Penn blowout here. **Play Pennsylvania.**

We're going to go out on a limb here, taking the Vancouver Canucks as two-goal winners over the Chicago Blackhawks tonight, offering you +200 underdog value. The emotional factors will make the difference: the Canucks are still very much a part of the playoff picture, but will need to step up their game if they are to be a factor in the West. The Blackhawks, on the other hand, are among the worst teams in the league, and have stunk up the joint all season. They've been equally bad at home and away, and the normal home team advantage is neutralized thanks to fans who really don't care. They have nothing to play for except a high draft pick. Vancouver picked up a big win against Calgary a couple nights ago and will look to build on that and get themselves back in the hunt. **Play Vancouver on the Puckline.**

For our weekly PARLAYPlay we're offering you another two-teamer: Play the Los Angeles Lakers and the Santa Clara Broncos. Here's why: the Lakers have impressed everyone this season, but they're still only at .500, and if they don't improve their play,

they'll miss the playoffs. They lost at Portland on Wednesday, but will bounce back here against a very flaky Golden State team. The Lakers have the Warriors' number, plain and simple. Their 32-8 SU record in the last 40 times these teams have met suggests the same. The Lakers are 47-29 ATS as road faves or slight dogs when they come off a straight up road loss, and at the same time, Golden State is just 38-61 ATS at home off a straight up home win provided the Warriors are playing an opponent who has won more than a third of their games. Kobe Bryant will win his team to victory here, and back into the playoff hunt.

We like Santa Clara matched up against Portland, as these teams have similar records (12-15 vs 11-17), and, while posting a losing record, Santa Clara has actually outscored their opponents on average. Portland is just 3-7 in their last 10, whereas Santa Clara has banked 6 of their last 8. Santa Clara has won 15 of their last 19 meetings against Portland, and will add to that tonight. **Parlay Los Angeles Lakers and Santa Clara.**

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