

New Trade Recommendations - 03/23/10

HOGS: Buy June cattle and sell June hogs at +11.05 cattle with an objective of +19.75. Risk to a close under +10.00.

Today's Market Roundup - 03/23/10

BONDS:

TODAY'S MARKET IDEAS: The bulls still maintain control as the economy should continue to show anemic activity.

NEW RECOMMENDATIONS: None.

PREVIOUS RECOMMENDATIONS: Short June Bonds at 118-02, with an objective of 115-01. Risk the trade to 119-10.

STOCKS:

TODAY'S MARKET IDEAS: Apparently the magnitude of relief off the end of political warfare in Washington is capable of lifting equities even further today.

NEW RECOMMENDATIONS: None.

PREVIOUS RECOMMENDATIONS: Long April E-Mini S&P 1140 puts at 12, with an objective of 36. *Exit at the market!

CURRENCIES:

TODAY'S MARKET IDEAS: A little improvement in global economic sentiment doesn't seem to be undermining the Dollar and lifting the Euro!

NEW RECOMMENDATIONS: None.

PREVIOUS RECOMMENDATIONS: 1) Long a June Yen 109/103 bear put spread for 200 points. Risk the trade to a loss of \$800 and use an objective of 108 in the Yen futures. 2) Long a June Yen 103 puts for 125, with an objective of 230. Risk the trade to a close below 60.

ENERGIES:

TODAY'S MARKET IDEAS: Less downside pressure but not an end to the down trend pattern.

NEW RECOMMENDATIONS: None.

PREVIOUS RECOMMENDATIONS: None

PRECIOUS METALS:

TODAY'S MARKET IDEAS: The bull camp just can't seem to regain full control as the Dollar remains strong and the trade is seeing hawkish Fed dialogue.

NEW RECOMMENDATIONS: None.

PREVIOUS RECOMMENDATIONS: None.

COPPER:

TODAY'S MARKET IDEAS: The bears have the edge as up beat sentiment doesn't seem to matter to the copper trade early this morning.

NEW RECOMMENDATIONS: None.

PREVIOUS RECOMMENDATIONS: None.

SOYCOMPLEX:

TODAY'S MARKET IDEAS: Consider selling soybeans or meal on rallies.

NEW RECOMMENDATIONS: None.

PREVIOUS RECOMMENDATIONS: 1) * Hit stop on short July meal for a 4.60 loss.

2) * Hit stop on July soybean 940/840 bear put for an 8 cent loss*

CORN:

TODAY'S MARKET IDEAS: First selling resistance for December corn is near 402 3/4 with some support near 393 3/4 to 394 3/4 and a swing objective of near 386.

Look for modest erosion in May and July call premiums.

NEW RECOMMENDATIONS: None.

PREVIOUS RECOMMENDATIONS: Long 3 Sept corn 460 calls from 18 cents each and short one Sept corn from 390 3/4. Hold position for now but look to exit September futures at 364. Risk a total of 12 cents.

WHEAT:

TODAY'S MARKET IDEAS: Expect continued erosion in call premiums and gradual price deterioration over the longer term.

NEW RECOMMENDATIONS: None.

PREVIOUS RECOMMENDATIONS: * Exited long May KC wheat/Short May Chicago wheat for a 7 1/4 cent gain. *

CATTLE:

TODAY'S MARKET IDEAS: Look for June cattle to gain on June hogs over the next month or so and a further correction in June cattle in the next few days may be an opportunity to enter this spread. Look for June to end up taking a premium of near 19 cents to June hogs. There is light support for June cattle at 93.87 but with the reversal, we may see a set-back to better support at 93.10 with 98.72 as a longer-term objective.

NEW RECOMMENDATIONS: None.

PREVIOUS RECOMMENDATIONS: Long 3 August cattle 94 calls from 140 each and short 1 August futures contract from 90.62. Hold calls for now and look to exit the short August cattle futures at 90.07.

HOGS:

TODAY'S MARKET IDEAS: Consider selling a bounce in June hogs or the April hog 75.00 call near 92 points.

NEW RECOMMENDATIONS: Buy June cattle and sell June hogs at +11.05 cattle with an objective of +19.75. Risk to a close under +10.00.

PREVIOUS RECOMMENDATIONS: Long 3 June hog 86.00 calls from 180 each and short June futures from 81.97. Look to exit June futures on a break to 78.92 and hold the calls into the spring. Risk a total of 160 points on the entire position.

COTTON:

TODAY'S MARKET IDEAS: Look to buy July calls on any setback of up to 1 cent.

NEW RECOMMENDATIONS: None.

PREVIOUS RECOMMENDATIONS: None.

COFFEE:

TODAY'S MARKET IDEAS: Consider buying a minor set-back or consider bull call spreads for the July coffee. Buying support for May coffee is near 131.55 with 136.10 and 138.45 as resistance.

NEW RECOMMENDATIONS: None.

PREVIOUS RECOMMENDATIONS: Long July 135.00/142.50 bull call spread from 230 points and also short the July 117.50 put from 194. Hold for a gradual uptrend and risk a total of 100 points from entry.

COCOA:

TODAY'S MARKET IDEAS: Keep \$2662 as the next downside objective. Consider selling the May cocoa 2950 call and/or buying the June 2850/2700 bear put spread.

NEW RECOMMENDATIONS: None.

PREVIOUS RECOMMENDATIONS: None.

SUGAR:

TODAY'S MARKET IDEAS: None.

NEW RECOMMENDATIONS: None.

PREVIOUS RECOMMENDATIONS: * Hit stop on short May sugar 17.00 put for an 18 point loss. *

Today's Headline Summary - 03/23/10**FUNDAMENTAL:**

STOCKS: A further tamping down of political anxiety favors the bull camp

BONDS: Just enough economic uncertainty to leave the bull camp in control

CURRENCIES: Expect the Canadian Dollar to be the primary leadership currency

COPPER: The path of least resistance is pointing downward today

METALS: The bulls weren't able to sustain control the bears have the edge

CATTLE: Wet weather to keep some stress on feedlots; beef prices strong

HOGS: Cash a bit sloppy and market getting overbought; buy cattle/sell hogs

BEANS: Surge in meal helps to support jump but upside limited

CORN: Wet versus dry weather looks to be the main market driver in corn.

WHEAT: Wheat runs out of buyers on rallies and sellers on breaks. Status quo.

ENERGY: Resiliency to limit weakness in petroleum not weakness in N-Gas

COTTON: It may take an outside obstruction to prevent new highs in cotton.

COFFEE: Tightening exchange stocks and crop uncertainty to support

SUGAR: May be close to a low but COT report still overbought; 16.97 next

COCOA: Good weather in February and March set stage for larger mid-crop

TECHNICAL:

BEANS: A range up extension above resistance favors the bull camp

CORN: A pattern of higher lows provides corn with some support

WHEAT: Building pivot point support around \$5.40 basis the Dec

CATTLE: Temporary venture back into an old gap rejected (bullish)

HOGS: Pattern of higher lows and higher highs favors the bull camp

SUGAR: Huge range down move leaves the bear camp in control

COTTON: Up trend channel support in Dec is 74.62 today

ENERGY: Big range down washout rejected leaving the bulls in control

METALS: Big range down extension counts to the late Feb lows

FORX: Two closes above 81.00 needed to put \$ bears on the run

BONDS: Pivot point support in June Bonds is seen at 1171.80

S&P: Up trend channel support in June S&P is 1150.90

****This report includes information from sources believed to be reliable and accurate as of the date of this publication, but no independent verification has been made and we do not guarantee its accuracy or completeness. Opinions expressed are subject to change without notice. This report should not be construed as a request to engage in any transaction involving the purchase or sale of a futures contract and/or commodity option thereon. The risk of loss in trading futures contracts or commodity options can be substantial, and investors should carefully consider the inherent risks of such an investment in light of their financial condition. Any reproduction or retransmission of this report without the express written consent of The Hightower Report is strictly prohibited.*