



MARKET RECAP REPORT 3/16/2021

Sector Leaders

Semi's

Biotech

Internet

Stock Gainers

NFE 24.7%

RUBY 20%

OPRX 21%

QD 15%

DS 14%

DESP 12%

Volatility Gainers

- DB
- DSKE
- BB
- CLSK
- HL
- DS

High Call Volume

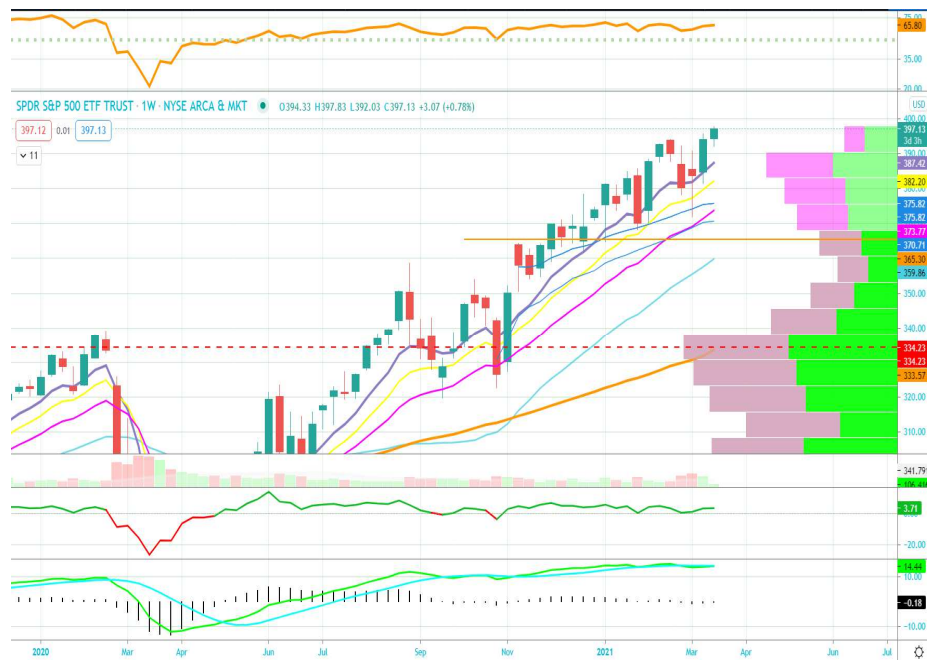
- DS
- SVRA
- TRGP
- THO
- TROX
- QD

Bullish Options

- MGM
- SNOW
- FCX
- PFE
- CCJ
- SBUX
- ON
- ABNB
- WDC
- EXAS
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Market Review: Stocks were muted overnight though Tech indicated a strong open with another slow night of news and the Fed being eyed into Wednesday. Retail Sales for February came in very weak below consensus and Industrial Production also was very disappointing. The S&P traded up to new highs though Tech led the way with Semiconductors very strong as well as strength in Software and Biotech. The value trade pulled back again with Energy, Banks, Metals and Retail weak. Tech stocks started to roll over midday as resistance was reached and as Yields started to creep back up towards highs but the midday auction caused Bonds to snap-back off lows though market breadth continued to weaken. Bill Gross made some afternoon comments looking for a surge in inflation that jolted markets a bit further. The schedule for tomorrow is centered around the FOMC afternoon announcement.

S&P Chart:



Resistance	Support
3,950	3,900
4,000	3,880
4,140	3,830

Options Action Trends: We saw buyers across Metals names again with calls in **FCX, AA, TECK, CCJ**.

What's On Tap: Mortgage Applications, Housing Starts, EIA Data, and FOMC. Earnings from **PDD, CTAS, ZTO, FIVE, WSM, UPST, PD**.

Trade Tracker Portfolio Changes:

- 1) **Spotlight:** Sell the **ROKU** July \$350/\$340 Put Spreads for \$5 Credit

Sector Laggards

Energy

Retail

Banks

Stock Losers

SLDB -31%

CLSK -22%

PARR -13.3%

GME -11%

EXPR -10.7%

IMAX -9.8%

Volatility Losers

- OPK
- BDSI
- AMRN
- AMC
- DBI
- HGEN

High Put Volume

- QD
- ACAD
- CDEV
- GEO
- STM
- ZTO

Bearish Options

- SNCR
- VIAC
- AMD
- WTFC
- BYND
- KHC
- RL
- TAP
- VG
- SBH
- CYRX
- FLGT



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Bulls Buy P&G LEAPS as Shares Base

Ticker/Price: PG (\$128.6)

Analysis:

P&G (PG) with its first large sized trade in a while as January \$140 calls traded 9500X on 3/15 starting at \$4.75 in the morning and up to \$6.05 later in the day, also 1500 October \$140 calls bought and 2000 May \$115 puts sold to open. PG still has 10,000 April \$145 calls in open interest from a large trade on 10/19. PG also caught our eye to start the week with its bottoming pattern against YTD lower value and above \$129 has a nice volume pocket for a move back to \$135. PG had some back to retest a key breakout from 2020 and put in a base above major volume support with weekly MACD now curling upwards with potential for a bull crossover. The \$312.5B best-in-class household and personal care company trades 21.2X Earnings, 4.2X Sales and 37.98X FCF with a 2.47% dividend yield. PG forecasts see 6.3% revenue growth in 2021 and 3.5% in 2022 as it comes into tougher comps and also faces headwinds from higher commodity and freight costs. PG is coming off yet another beat and raise quarter with a 5% jump in shipment volume. PG also noted it is in great shape as COVID ends and it brings new products to market. Analysts have an average target of \$151 and short interest minimal at 0.7% of the float. Bernstein started shares Neutral on 1/19 with a \$149 target citing short-term growth headwinds the next 12-24 months into COVID-19 tough comps. Wells Fargo started shares Overweight with a \$160 target on 12/7 seeing an improved portfolio and organizational structure and sees multiyear benefits. Hedge Fund ownership rose 1.36% in the latest filings.

Hawk Vision:



Hawk's Perspective: PG is a set-up I like as a best-in-class name that has pulled back with other pandemic beneficiaries, surprised how much the calls moved up in price for a small stock move, but looking for a move back to \$138-\$140.

Confidence Ranking: \$\$



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Moderna Bulls Position for Positive News Flow, Strong Sales/Profits

Ticker/Price: MRNA (\$143.65)

Analysis:

Moderna (MRNA) in afternoon trading on 3/15 with 4500 July \$165 calls bought to open \$14.45 to \$15 and follows 2450 July \$170 calls bought on 2/25 and some accumulation in April calls. MRNA shares have been pulling back since early February highs and recently found support right at a 50% retracement of the September-February range as well as VWAP off the September lows, a potential weekly rising channel forming as well that gives shares a lot of room to run after hitting the lower channel as support, the mid-line currently at \$160 and upper channel near \$200. MRNA will be speaking at the Oppenheimer Conference on 3-16, hosting a Vaccine Day 2021 on 4-14, and a Moderna Science Day 2021 on 5-27. MRNA has been announcing several distribution deals for its COVID-19 vaccine globally and also now studying the next-generation booster version against new variants. MRNA recently announced capital investment to expand its capacity to 1.4 billion vaccine doses for 2022. MRNA currently has a market cap of \$56B and forecasts see \$16.6B in revenues for 2021 with \$11.4B in EBITDA. MRNA has a large portfolio of over 24 medicines in development divided between efforts in infectious disease vaccines, of which several that are entering the later stages of development. MRNA is partnered with Merck evaluating a cancer vaccine for melanoma. Analysts have an average target of \$174.25 on shares with short interest low at 4% of the float. Chardan on 3/1 raised its target to \$182 expecting positive readouts for the variant trials. Piper is at Overweight with a \$208 target estimating \$8B in profits for 2022. MSCO boosted its target to \$215 in February seeing increasing likelihood for the booster market. Hedge Fund ownership surged 39% last quarter in filings.

Hawk Vision:



Hawk's Perspective: MRNA reward/risk looks real attractive versus \$129 is this channel pattern plays out, room to \$200.

Confidence Ranking: \$\$



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Apollo Bulls See Rebound After Athene Deal

Ticker/Price: APO (\$49)

Analysis:

Apollo Global (APO) buyer of 1000 January \$40 calls for \$11 to open this morning and follows recent buyers in the January 2023 \$40 and \$42 calls and September \$55/\$45 bull risk reversal. The June \$45 puts also sold to open 3,000X last week. Shares are forming a nice multi-week flag under the April 2020 highs and poised to make a nice run with a measured move out to \$60 and into space. The weekly held the 21- and 50-period moving averages on the recent pullback. The \$21.5B asset manager trades 14X earnings, 12.7X book and 8.8X cash with a 5% yield. The company announced a deal to buy insurance company Athene for \$11B in an all-stock deal. The move is the first significant step forward for incoming CEO Marc Rowan and aligns with his long-term vision to turn Apollo into a Berkshire-model company with the annuity business helping drive cash flows for their investment side. Rowan sees the deal as highly accretive with low integration risks given the two sides have worked together for years. It also allowed APO to convert into a full C-Corp with just one class structure of shares, a move that has been pushed for by shareholders for a few years and likely leads APO to become part of the S&P 500 and other major indices over the next 12 months. Analysts have an average target for shares of \$55 with a Street High \$70 from BMO. The firm out on 3/9 noting that any weakness around the deal is a buying opportunity as it will prove to be over 50% earnings accretive to Apollo shareholders, more than offsetting multiple dilution expected from higher insurance mix. Short interest is 2.75%. Hedge fund ownership rose 2.5% last quarter. Tiger Global a top holder and adding 1M shares last week on 3/11 at \$47.22.

Hawk Vision:



Hawk's Perspective: APO is running into resistance this week and may have another shakeout lower but like it against the recent lows with those June short puts in OI and the Athene deal and other structural changes are positioning them well for the long-term

Confidence Ranking: \$\$



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Fiserv Bull Positions for Further Strength as Reopening Accelerates

Ticker/Price: FISV (\$124)

Analysis:

Fiserv (FISV) buyers today of 1,100 January \$135 calls for \$9.90 to \$10.15 and name with a lot of bullish open interest including 1,000 June \$110 calls, 2,800 June \$125 calls, and over 18,000 January \$105 calls from September bought around \$16. Shares broke out of a weekly flag last week and now testing the November 2019 highs with a longer-term measured move to \$145. The \$83B fintech company trades 19.4X earnings, 5.5X sales, and 25.5X FCF. FISV is guiding to high-single digit growth in FY22 with EPS up 33.5% and more than doubling from the FY20 levels as they consolidate their deal for First Data which positioned them well to benefit from growth in electronic payments. FISV was at the Wolfe Conference last week highlighting their investments in digital and expansion opportunities for Clover, their merchant services platform, and expecting a rebound in 2021 as they stand to benefit from the reopening with exposure to travel, restaurants, and small businesses. Analysts have an average target for shares of \$129 with a Street High \$160. Bernstein starting at Outperform in January citing favorable exposure to the powerful secular tailwinds of cash to card conversion, turnaround in its merchant business, margin expansion, and attractive valuation. Hedge fund ownership fell 11.5% in Q4, Corvex Management and Pointstate both buyers of stock. Value Act also opened a new position and Melvin Capital with a large 8.6M share position, their fourth largest. Short interest is 2.2%. Insiders active recently with a director buying \$1M in stock on 2/16 at \$110.99.

Hawk Vision:



Hawk's Perspective: FISV is pretty extended near-term but a move back to \$120 would be a nice dip opportunity to position for that bigger weekly breakout and name with plenty of secular drivers in 2021

Confidence Ranking: \$\$

Additional Options Flow

Market/ETFs

Treasury (TBT) March 2022 \$23/\$30 call spreads opening 10,000X with the \$18 puts sold to open

Energy (XLE) into weakness with 8500 May \$56 calls bought \$1.51 against the \$64 calls

Treasury (TLT) with 9000 April \$137 straddles sold to open today, expecting some calm to return to Bond markets

Consumer Discretionary (XLY) earlier today with 3000 January 2023 \$240 calls sold \$4.80 in a buy-write

China (FXI) sale of 5000 December \$50/\$48 strangles for \$7.80

MSCI EAFE (EFA) buyer 4000 September \$73 puts for \$2.80

Consumer Goods

Celsius (CELH) with 600 July \$55 calls bought today for \$8.20 into post-earnings weakness

Campbell Soup (CPB) with 3250 next week \$50 calls bought \$0.25 to \$0.35

Beyond Meat (BYND) the May \$145 puts opening 2,000X for \$16.25, adjusting the April \$155 puts bought back on 2/22

Molson Coors (TAP) with 1325 October \$45 puts bought \$3.90 and recent 2000 of the \$47.5 puts opened

Sally Beauty (SBH) the June \$20/\$12.50 put spread bought 1000X for \$1.98

Scotts Miracle Gro (SMG) buyer of 500 November \$200 puts for \$15.50 this afternoon into the recent bounce

Consumer/Business Services

Drive Shack (DS) unusual 2000 April \$2.50 calls bought for \$0.90, a \$235M leisure golf play

MGM buyers of April 1st (W) 441/\$46 call spreads 4000X

Las Vegas Sands (LVS) with 11,000 April \$70/\$75 call spreads bought today for \$0.93 with the \$55 puts sold 7500X to open for \$0.33, adjusting some March spreads

WingStop (WING) buyers of 475 April \$130 calls this morning between \$6.80 and \$6.90 into recent weakness

Starbucks (SBUX) strong on upgrade and April \$110 calls hot as well trading 11,350X in the opening hour with 7,742 in OI

Context Logic (WISH) with 1250 July \$17.50 puts sold to open this afternoon between \$3.50 and \$3.60, follows the April \$15 puts sold to open recently

Liberty (LBTYA) buyer 5000 July \$32.5 calls for \$0.35/\$0.40

Carnival Cruises (CCL) with 2,000 April 1st (W) \$25/\$35 call spreads bought for \$3.50

Take Two (TTWO) afternoon sweep buyer 500 January \$190 calls \$16.60

Penn National (PENN) with 1000 June \$120 puts sold to open today for \$16.50 in a stock replacement

Viacom (VIAC) with 2000 September \$100/\$80 bull risk reversals opening at a \$6.75 debit

Energy

Centennial Development (CDEV) notable opening sales 3450 October \$6 puts for \$2.30

Callon (CPE) with 500 April \$38 calls bought for \$5.90 this morning

Enterprise Products (EPD) with 500 January 2023 \$30 ITM puts sold to open this morning for \$9

Cameco (CCJ) with the April \$19 calls bought 3275X this morning up to \$1.40

CleanSpark (CLSK) buyers active into weakness today for over 1,500 April \$22.50 calls from \$3.90 to \$4.90

JK Solar (JKS) with near 1,000 June \$50 puts sold to open for \$11.90 to \$11.55 today

EOG Resources (EOG) with 865 October \$60 calls bought today for \$16.33 as the March \$55 calls adjust out

Baker Hughes (BKR) buyer of 2,000 July \$25 calls for \$1.65, narrow consolidation forming near recent highs

Technip FMC (FTI) buyer of 1875 April \$8 calls for \$0.95 to \$1 with shares moving to the highs

Petrobras (PBR) with 10,000 October \$10 puts opening \$2.65 as April \$10 adjust

Hess Corp (HES) with buyers of 650 August \$70 calls for \$8.60 to \$8.70

Daqo (DQ) with 950 October \$60 puts sold to open down to \$10.30 today

Financials

American International (AIG) trades 3,450 each January 2023 \$50 and \$52.5 calls at \$7.75 and \$6.75 respectively, both legs bought

Wintrust Financial (WTFC) buyers of 600 April \$85 puts today for \$6.10 to \$6.65 into recent strength

PayPal (PYPL) stock replacements opening 925 September \$280 calls \$20.35 to \$20.50

Life Storage (LSI) with 1,000 December \$80 puts sold to open now on the day for \$4.30 and also 700 December \$75 puts sold for \$2.75

Healthcare

Celsion (CLSN) early unusual action with 2070 October \$7.50 calls bought \$0.75 to \$0.85

Pfizer (PFE) with the July \$32 calls being bought this morning for \$3.95 to \$4.10, over 3900X

Zimmer Biomet (ZBH) with 765 April \$155 puts sold to open this morning for \$2.75/\$2.70

Community Health (CYH) buyer of 2,000 June \$13 calls for \$2.35, rolling up the \$11 calls from 1/21

Quidel (QDEL) with 500 June \$150 calls bought this morning between \$15.80 and \$16 into recent weakness, name the CEO has been buying aggressively over the last 12 months

Pfizer (PFE) with the July \$32 calls being bought this morning for \$3.95 to \$4.10, over 3900X

Novavax (NVAX) with 500 April \$185 ITM calls bought today for \$54.70 with further COVID data expected soon

Exact Sciences (EXAS) with buyers of 1600 October \$130 calls up to \$25.60 here as IV jumps. **EXAS** the October \$150 calls also bought today 475X for \$16.75 to \$18

Cleaver (CLVR) with 5,700 April \$20 puts sold to open today for \$6.80 as the March short puts from 2/10 adjust

Merck (MRK) with 10,000 May \$82.5 calls selling to open

Humana (HUM) with 1200 April \$400 at-the-money puts selling to open \$11.30

CyroPort (CYRX) with 1,478 April 1st (W) \$58 puts bought today for \$3.33 as the March \$60 puts adjust out

Gilead (GILD) with 1000 July \$62.50 puts sold to open for \$3.70, adjusting out of some March short puts

Teladoc (TDOC) with 500 October \$300 calls bought for \$8.50 today. **TDOC** also 300 Apr. 30th (W) \$200 puts sold \$15.85 to open

Walgreens (WBA) buyer of 1000 October \$57.50 calls today for \$4.60 to \$4.65

Industrials

Waste Mgmt. (WM) spread buys 400 July \$130 calls and sells the \$115 puts at \$0.10 credit

General Motors (GM) buyer 1000 January \$57.50 calls for \$9.45

Nio (NIO) spreads buying 11,000 June \$75 calls and selling the August \$25 puts at zero cost

Ferarri (RACE) opening seller 380 December \$195 at-the-money puts \$18.80

3M (MMM) buyers active in January \$270 far OTM calls 2000X at \$1.58 offer

Stanley (SWK) with 3000 April \$180 puts sold \$2.45 to open

Materials

Freeport (FCX) August call buyers active into weakness again with 4500 August \$37 trading \$4.50 to \$4.60

Sherwin Williams (SHW) with 350 April \$750 ITM puts sold to open \$39

International Paper (IP) buy-write with 2000 January \$62.5 calls sold \$2

Anglo Gold (AU) buyer of 425 January 2023 \$18 calls for \$8.30 today, named as a top M&A candidate last week by the CEO of Sibanye

Teck Resources (TECK) IV higher earlier with buyers in the April \$25 calls for \$0.45, over 11,000. **TECK** with 1000 August \$20 puts sold to open today as well for \$1.90

Tech and Telecom

Snowflake (SNOW) buyer 500 April 30th (W) \$305 calls for \$6.30. **SNOW** also seeing August \$285 calls open 595X with April \$280 adjusting. **SNOW** another 500 Apr 30th (W) \$305 calls bought here

Micron (MU) with 3500 April 1st (W) \$105 calls bought up to \$1.40, captures 3-31 earnings. **MU** 2000 May \$105 calls sold to open \$3.15. **MU** buyer 1000 January \$135 calls \$4.68

Microchip (MCHP) with 500 May \$155 calls bought this morning for \$10.25 as it works out of a multi-week range

Ichor (ICHR) breaking out in Semi's, IV jumped with 500 April \$55 OTM calls opening

Western Digital (WDC) with 2000 April 1st (W) \$77 calls bought for \$1.10, nice flag setting up under recent highs. **WDC** another 2,000 of these calls bought as well. **WDC** also with 1375 May \$72.50 calls bought today for \$6. **WDC** also with 500 January 2023 \$55 puts sold to open for \$9.35 to \$9.20

Alibaba (BABA) with 2,700 October \$215 puts sold to open for \$20.60 in a stock replacement. **BABA** stock replacement buys 600 July \$210 calls \$30.90. **BABA** buyer 1000 June 2022 \$215 puts for \$35.10

ON Semi (ON) session highs with 5775 April \$43 calls bought up to \$1.55, nice bullish consolidation under recent highs. **ON** calls up to 7K and saw a significant IV jump

Fastly (FSLY) looking to work out of a base and a trader sells 2500 September \$75 puts to open \$14.15

DocuSign (DOCU) with 1275 May \$210 puts sold to open this morning around \$14.40 in stock replacements

Intel (INTC) buyers of 5000 April 1st (W) \$70 calls \$0.54

Palantir (PLTR) down 3% and seeing around 11am the August \$26 calls hot \$5.95 to \$6.10 for 10,000 contracts

Sprout (SPT) with 800 July \$75 calls opening \$6.90 as October \$85 adjust

Salesforce (CRM) with 3,000 July \$230 puts sold to open for \$24.78, adjusting some June short puts

Snap (SNAP) with 3,000 June 2022 \$40 puts sold to open for \$4.95 today, stock replacement

Lumentum (LITE) with 2000 April \$95 calls opening as the \$90 calls adjust

Utility

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