

BOB IKE'S SANTA ANITA SELECTIONS

SUNDAY, FEB. 25

SUNDAY SELECTIONS, BETTING STRATEGY AND PICK 4 TICKET

Saturday Results: Went 1-for-3 on my Best Plays, hitting top choice FETE and small trifecta in 5th race.

Today's Best Plays: Races 1, 5, 9 and a \$32 Pick 4 ticket. Also, with the Pick Six carryover of more than \$188,000, I will give out a \$144 Pick 6 ticket.

***1st race--

1. HIGH TEAM BACK (1) 2. AWESOME GRAF (7) 3. COLONIAL EVENT (4) 4. GARY'S GOT RHYTHM (6)

In the first of three turf races that I will use as my Best Plays today, I like the chances of HIGH TEAM BACK (6-1) in the opener. The 4-year-old maiden ran a solid third (at 47-1) in his debut and should be very formidable if he runs back to that effort. He gets some pace to run at after finishing strongly first time out. Make a Win Bet on 'BACK and key him in the trifecta over five horses in the second and third spots: COLONIAL EVENT (6-1), GARY'S GOT RHYTHM (4-1), AWESOME GRAF (3-1), TRULYMET'SMYDADDY (20-1) and GENERAL BUENO (7-2). Also, play a second ticket using those five in the first and third spots, with 'BACK in the middle.

Trifecta numbers: 1/4,6,7,8,10/4,6,7,8,10=\$20 and 4,6,7,8,10/1/4,6,7,8,10=\$20

2nd race--

1. SLOW N EASY (5) 2. GOOD GOLD (4) 3. TRAFFIC UPDATE (3)

3rd race--

1. SAIL ON SUNSHINE (3) 2. SILVER AGAIN (1) 3. MINA GIRL (6)

4th race--

1. INTO REALITY (4) 2. STEELIN' (6) 3. CORAGE (5)

***5th race--

1. HOCKEY THE GENERAL (7) 2. STORM MATE (8) 3. ARTIST'S TALE (10) 4. COURTNALL (3)

In a very competitive allowance heat, I will key around HOCKEY THE GENERAL (4-1). The hard-knocking Baffert-trainee returned with a good runner-up try after being on the bench after a 10-month layoff and will be right there again with a repeat performance. Make a Win Bet on 'GENERAL and key him in the trifecta over five horses in the second and third spots: COURTNALL (7-2), SEEKING ANSWERS (6-1), STORM MATE (3-1), ARTIST'S TALE (20-1) and GEM PROOF (5-1). Play a second ticket using those five in the first and third spots,

with 'GENERAL in the two-hole. Finally, make a three-horse exacta and trifecta box using HOCKEY THE GENERAL, STORM MATE and ARTIST'S TALE.

Trifecta numbers: 7/3,5,8,10,11/3,5,8,10,11=\$20 and 3,5,8,10,11/7/3,5,8,10,11=\$20
Exacta/Trifecta Box: 7-8-10

6th race--

1. QUIET FLYER (10) 2. MAEMY (3) 3. DAILY FORECAST (1)

7th race--

1. NOTABLE GUEST (7) 2. ONE OFF (2) 3. ON THE ACORN (4) 4. ATLANDO (5)

8th race--

1. IGRAINE (8) (P6 SINGLE) 2. TOUGH TIZ'S SIS (3) 3. ROUND TRIP FLIGHT (2)

*****9th race--**

1. SILVER Z (1) 2. SHEZBAD (12) 3. CHARISMA MATTERS (8)

I will end the day by playing the trifecta keying around my top two selections. SILVER Z (3-1) stretches out and tries turf for the first time and obviously is the one to catch from her rail post. The main question will be if she can get the one mile distance. SHEZBAD (5-1) faced open maiden company last time (including talented Votsi) and now drops into a much softer Cal-bred spot. She didn't have a great trip last time but figures to go much better in here if she can overcome the post.

Trifecta numbers: 1,12/1,12/ALL=\$20 and 1,12/ALL/1,12=\$20

*****\$32 PICK 4 TICKET (races 6-9):**

6th race--MAEMY, QUIET FLYER

7th race--ALL

8th race--IGRAINE

9th race--SILVER Z, SHEZBAD

Pick 4 numbers: 3,10/ALL/8/1,12=\$32

*****\$144 PICK 6 TICKET (races 4-9):**

4th race--INTO REALITY, STEELIN'

5th race--HOCKEY THE GENERAL, STORM MATE, ARTIST'S TALE

6th race--MAEMY, QUIET FLYER

7th race--ONE OFF, ON THE ACORN, NOTABLE GUEST

8th race--IGRAINE

9th race--SILVER Z, SHEZBAD

Pick 6 numbers: 4,6/7,8,10/3,10/2,4,7/8/1,12=\$144

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