

BOB IKE'S SANTA ANITA SELECTIONS

SATURDAY, MAR. 10

SATURDAY SELECTIONS, BETTING STRATEGY AND PICK 4 TICKET

Friday Results: Went 0-for-3 on my Best Plays.

Today's Best Plays: Races 5, 7, 10 and a \$64 Pick 4 ticket.

1st race--

1. DEBIE GINSBURG (4) 2. ASHLEY'S KITTY (5) 3. COM EASY (6)

2nd race--

1. BITTER BILL (1) 2. DESERT CODE (2) 3. VAUNT (4)

3rd race--

1. IN THE WOODS (2) 2. CAPTIVATING CAT (5) 3. SILVER POET (7)

4th race--

1. DON'TBEATATTLETALE (7) 2. TEN DOWNING STREET (1) 3. BRILLIANT CUT (2)

*****5th race--**

1. SOUTH COAST (10) 2. DUTY ROSTER (8) 3. VORACIOUS (11) 4. LAS VEGAS LUCKY (9)

In a very competitive starter allowance heat, I will make a Win Bet on top choice SOUTH COAST (9-2) and key him on a pair of trifecta tickets. 'COAST was an impressive maiden winner first time out for Marty Jones, coming through along the rail to break his maiden very professionally. He figures to show improvement second time and is drawn favorably outside. Key him over DUTY ROSTER (5-1), LAS VEGAS LUCKY (8-1) and VORACIOUS (7-2) for second, then use ALL for third. Second ticket, use those three on top, with 'COAST for second, then ALL for third.

Trifecta numbers: 10/8,9,11/ALL=\$27 and 8,9,11/10/ALL=\$27

6th race--

1. THEMIS VALENTINE (2) 2. GOLDEN VENTURE (5) 3. RAISE AGAIN (10)

*****7th race--**

1. RING OF FRIENDSHIP (11) 2. BUDGET SURPLUS (5) 3. REEL 'EM IN (3) 4. SLEEPLESS JOY (2)

In a very good gambling race, I will try comebacker RING OF FRIENDSHIP as my trifecta key horse. Claimed by Mitchell out of his last start in Jan.'06, 'FRIENDSHIP is a front-running threat who comes back in a softer \$40,000 spot. He has trained in very good style over the

Cushion Track and certainly has enough speed to overcome the outside post, so hopefully he will be gone on the front end. Play the trifecta keying 'FRIENDSHIP over six horses in the second and third spots: SLEEPLESS JOY (5-1), REEL 'EM IN (10-1), BLUE STELLER (8-1), BUDGET SURPLUS (5-1), EASY MILLION (12-1) and SUBLET (9-2). Also, play a second ticket using those six in the first and third spots, with 'FRIENDSHIP in the middle.

Trifecta numbers: 11/2,3,4,5,8,9/2,3,4,5,8,9=\$30 and 2,3,4,5,8,9/11/2,3,4,5,8,9=\$30

8th race--

1. SECRET RIDGE (5) 2. VICTIM OF LOVE (2) 3. HEMET THOUGHT (7) 4. TINQUILCO (1)

9th race--

1. BALANCE (1) 2. ERMINE (7) 3. READY TO PLEASE (5) 4. RIVER SAVAGE (6)

*****10th race--**

1. MONTE BAJO (6) 2. RELENTLESS PURSUIT (10) 3. LONELY HIGHWAY (5) 4. GRECIAN SPUR (11)

I will end the card by boxing my top four selections in the exacta and trifecta. In post position order, use LONELY HIGHWAY (4-1), who was gelded prior to his last and responded with a much improved runner-up try at this distance; MONTE BAJO (5-1), who is a first-time starter from the Drysdale barn that was worked in solid fashion for a trainer that can win first-time out with horses going long on turf; RELENTLESS PURSUIT (3-1), who finished steadily going a mile last time and should like the added furlong; and GRECIAN SPUR (12-1), who showed improvement in his second start and now adds blinkers for this.

Exacta/Trifecta Box: 5-6-10-11

*****\$64 PICK 4 TICKET (races 7-10):**

7th race--RING OF FRIENDSHIP

8th race--TINQUILCO, VICTIM OF LOVE, SECRET RIDGE, HEMET THOUGHT

9th race--BALANCE, READY TO PLEASE, RIVER SAVAGE, ERMINE

10th race--LONELY HIGHWAY, MONTE BAJO, RELENTLESS PURSUIT, GRECIAN SPUR

Pick 4 numbers: 11/1,2,5,7/1,5,6,7/5,6,10,11=\$64

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