BOB IKE'S SANTA ANITA SELECTIONS SATURDAY, MAR. 17

SATURDAY SELECTIONS, BETTING STRATEGY AND PICK 4 TICKET

Friday Results: Hit 5 top choice winners, including Best Play winner WHATSTHESCRIPT (\$6.60), which keyed 7th race trifecta for \$68; and nailed late Pick 4 for \$434 on a \$72 play.

Today's Best Plays: Races 6, 7, 8 and a \$48 Pick 4 ticket.

1st race--

1. DINNER MAGIC (4) 2. BULLET TRAIN (5) 3. WINNIN N GRINNIN (6)

2nd race--

1. FREE HEART (1) 2. SABIO (8) 3. MADE IN CALIFORNIA (4) 4. HELMSTAR (5)

3rd race--

1. CHEYENNE QUEEN (2) 2. GOOD N MUDDY (1) 3. SONG AND A WAGER (7)

4th race--

1. RIVER'S PRAYER (6) 2. LA TORMENTA (4) 3. BETTERSWEETMOMENT (3)

5th race--

1. MEMORIES OF SUE (8) 2. LIKE JOSIE WELLS (1) 3. KALADY (2)

***6th race--

1. LANG FIELD (6) 2. REALLY INDIAN (3) 3. SENTIMENTAL DAZE (2)

LANG FIELD (3-1) switches to turf today (he ran second in only previous turf start at Arlington) and catches a very paceless field going nine furlongs. The Sherman-trainee finished well clear of the third horse last time and should be able to waltz on the lead and take these wire-to-wire. Make a Win Bet at 5/2 or better and key 'FIELD in the trifecta over four horses in the second and third spots: SENTIMENTAL DAZE (4-1), REALLY INDIAN (5-2), AMERICAN IMPERIUM (10-1) and SEISMIC THUNDER (4-1). Also, play a second ticket using those four in the first and third spots, with 'FIELD in the middle.

Trifecta numbers: 6/2,3,7,8/2,3,7,8=\$12 and 2,3,7,8/6/2,3,7,8=\$12

***7th race--

1. STEELIN' (6) 2. CRAFTY ROLE (8) 3. SPORTIE'S SQUEEZE (5)

In the first leg of the late Pick 4, I will play the trifecta keying my top three choices in the first and second spots, then use ALL for third. In post position order, use SPORTIE'S SQUEEZE (6-1), who didn't show too much last time out but may have needed the race and came back to work well over Cushion Track; STEELIN' (3-1), who drops into this high-priced claimer after exiting

the strongest race; and CRAFTY ROLE (8-1), who has been second in both West Coast starts and figures right there again.

Trifecta numbers: 5,6,8/5,6,8/ALL=\$42 plus, trifecta box 5-6-8

***8th race--

1. SEEKING ANSWERS (2) 2. KARN (6) 3. MINISTER BLAIR (1) 4. MISTER ACPEN (3)

SEEKING ANSWERS (5-2) drops into a much softer spot after facing Grafton one race back and running in a much tougher NW2/optional claimer last time out. The Becerra-trained gelding should tuck into a good spot early and outkick these through the lane. I will play the trifecta keying 'ANSWERS over MINISTER BLAIR (7-2), MISTER ACPEN (9-2) and KARN (8-1) for second, then use ALL for third. Also, play a second ticket using those three on top, with 'ANSWERS for second, then ALL for third.

Trifecta numbers: 2/1,3,6/ALL=\$21 and 1,3,6/2/ALL=\$21

9th race--

1. AIR COMMANDER (4) 2. COBALT BLUE (2) 3. GRAPELLI (5)

10th race--

1. OH I TRIPPED (2) 2. JUSTINPLACE (4) 3. WHY KNOT US (9) 4. BOADACAT (10)

***\$48 PICK 4 TICKET (races 7-10):

7th race--PRIZE, GO DAWG, SPORTIE'S SQUEEZE, STEELIN', CRAFTY ROLE, DEL MAR DORIS

8th race--MINISTER BLAIR, SEEKING ANSWERS, MISTER ACPEN, KARN

9th race--COBALT BLUE, AIR COMMANDER

10th race--OH I TRIPPED

Pick 4 numbers: 2,3,5,6,8,9/1,2,4,6/2,4/2=\$48

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