BOB IKE'S SANTA ANITA SELECTIONS SATURDAY, MAR. 31

SATURDAY SELECTIONS, BETTING STRATEGY AND PICK 4 TICKET

Friday Results: Hit 3 top choice winners, including P6 "single" LIKE NEW MONEY (\$6.40).

Today's Best Plays: Races 5, 7, 9 and a \$72 Pick 4 ticket.

1st race--

1. VICE ADMIRAL (11) 2. STORMY GRANT (2) 3. KICKIN BACK (8)

2nd race--1. SPRIGGZEE (2) 2. HUDSON BANK (5) 3. LE COPAIN (10)

3rd race--

1. ORIENTATION HALL (7) 2. BUC THE SPARTAN (3) 3. TOM RICKEY (1)

4th race--

1. NEKO BAY (1) 2. RACKETEER (6) 3. PREACHINATTHEBAR (5)

***5th race--

1. UNUSUAL SPRING (12) 2. MISS SILVER IMAGE (1) 3. CHARMIN DOT (3) 4. RUN FOR DESSERT (11)

In the first of my three Best Play races (all on turf), I will play trifectas keying around favorite UNUSUAL SPRING (5-2). The O'Neill-trained mare drops out of much stronger races and should appreciate the softer company. Drawn well outside with plenty of pace at which to run, look for 'SPRING to turn in a good effort. First ticket, key 'SPRING over MISS SILVER IMAGE (7-2), CHARMIN DOT (6-1) and RUN FOR DESSERT (12-1) for second, then use ALL for third.

Trifecta numbers: 12/1,3,11/ALL=\$30 and 1,3,11/12/ALL=\$30

6th race--

1. CAT OF FIFTY SEVEN (5) 2. VICTIM OF LOVE (7) 3. OLYMPIC MILER (9)

***7th race--

1. DON'TBEATATTLETALE (6) 2. SKELLYTOWN (4) 3. FIREBIRD SWEET (3) 4. ONE LUCKY BUCK (2)

Here's another good gambling race on turf. Coming off a solid runner-up try down the hill, I like the chances of DON'TBEATATTLETALE (4-1), who stretches out in distance for Hofmans. He couldn't get to freakish winner Brilliant Cut last time but his two-turn debut race at Aqueduct

was very good and he should fall into a fine trip just off the pace. Make a Win Bet on 'TATTLETALE and key him in the trifecta over five horses in the second and third spots: ONE LUCKY BUCK (15-1), FIREBIRD SWEET (6-1), SKELLYTOWN (3-1), SYDNEY AGAIN (8-1) and QUEST VENTURE (5-1). Also, play a second ticket using those five in the first and third spots, with 'TALE in the middle.

Trifecta numbers: 6/2,3,4,7,12/2,3,4,7,12=\$20 and 2,3,4,7,12/6/2,3,4,7,12=\$20

8th race--

1. TIZ NEXT (9) 2. CROCETTA (10) 3. C'S SMOKIN (6)

***9th race--

1. HEROI DO BAFRA (6) 2. FANTASTIC SPAIN (1A) 3. STORMIN AWAY (10) 4. SOUND BREEZE (8)

Yet another very competitive turf event. I will try Frankel-trained HEROI DO BAFRA (8-1), who finds ideal conditions in this spot. Exiting a stronger Grade 2 race going 10 furlongs, 'BAFRA drops back into allowance company and shortens up a furlong in distance. He should get an excellent trip and be in the right spot turning for home. Make a Win Bet on 'BAFRA and key him in the trifecta over FANTASTIC SPAIN (9-2), TERRIFIC STORM (8-1), SOUND BREEZE (5-1) and STORMIN AWAY (5-1). Also, play a second ticket using those four on top, with 'BAFRA for second, then ALL for third.

Trifecta numbers: 6/1,7,8,10/ALL=\$32 and 1,7,8,10/6/ALL=\$32

10th race--

1. MILADY'S PRIDE (13) 2. SOUL WORK (11) 3. RING READY (5) 4. MCCLINTOCK (9)

***\$72 PICK 4 TICKET (races 7-10): 7th race--ONE LUCKY BUCK, FIREBIRD SWEET, SKELLYTOWN, DON'TBEATATTLETALE, SYDNEY AGAIN, QUEST VENTURE 8th race--C'S SMOKIN, TIZ NEXT, CROCETTA 9th race--HEROI DO BAFRA 10th race--RING READY, MCCLINTOCK, SOUL WORK, MILADY'S PRIDE Pick 4 numbers: 2,3,4,6,7,12/6,9,10/6/5,9,11,13=\$72

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