BOB IKE'S SANTA ANITA SELECTIONS THURSDAY, MAR. 1

THURSDAY SELECTIONS, BETTING STRATEGY AND PICK 4 TICKET

Wednesday Results: Hit 7th race trifecta for \$166 on a \$30 investment (after scratches).

Today's Best Plays: Races 4, 5, 7 and a \$64 Pick 4 ticket. Also, with the Pick Six carryover of more than \$115,000, I will give out two Pick 6 "singles".

1st race--

1. MARRY ME LARRY (7) 2. ST WAGER (9) 3. DIXIE DIXIE DIXIE (5) 4. TRIBAL PRINCESS (8)

2nd race--

1. WIDOWER CREED (1) 2. CHARM N BROAD (5) 3. LA BEAU EM (4)

3rd race--

1. PHAR TO WIN (2) 2. FIREBIRD SWEET (6) 3. VOTSI (1) 4. BIG JON (8)

***4th race--

1. GOLDEN WAGER (5) (P6 SINGLE) 2. NATIONAL HONOR (11) 3. WILD NEKIA (1) 4. CLAN CHIEF (2)

I will stick with the hot horse in GOLDEN WAGER (4-1), who has rattled off two straight wins for Mullins and moves up another notch for this. He showed that he didn't need the lead to win last time and can score right back in this spot. Make a Win Bet on 'WAGER and key him in the trifecta over WILD NEKIA (9-2), CLAN CHIEF (6-1) and NATIONAL HONOR (5-2) for second, then use ALL for third. Play a second ticket using those three on top, with 'WAGER for second, then ALL.

Trifecta numbers: 5/1,2,11/ALL=\$24 and 1,2,11/5/ALL=\$24

***5th race--

1. DEL MAR CAT (11) 2. DIXIE COURAGE (4) 3. MALLEY GIRL (7) 4. BANDERA NEGRA (5)

I will play the exacta and trifecta by boxing my top four choices. In post position order, use DIXIE COURAGE (9-2), who is going in good form right now and drops back to the level at which he beat a similar field one back; BANDERA NEGRA (20-1), who has speed, drops a peg and worked well since her last; MALLEY GIRL (7-2), who comes off a runner-up try to slightly better and moves down a peg; and DEL MAR CAT (5-2), who is lowered into a claimer for the first time by Baffert.

Exacta/Trifecta Box: 4-5-7-11

6th race--

1. SKELLYTOWN (2) 2. BOUCHARD (8) 3. TOKYO (1) 4. TAVROS (4)

***7th race--

1. BETTERSWEETMOMENT (4) 2. OVERLY TEMPTING (8) 3. SARI JO (3) 4. KIN TO A KITTY (1)

In a very competitive allowance heat, I will key around professional filly BETTERSWEETMOMENT (6-1). Although I'm not wild about using this barn, 'MOMENT has won two straight off the claim to run her record to seven-for-10 lifetime. She's a fair price on the morning line, so make a Win Bet on 'MOMENT and key her in the trifecta over KIN TO A KITTY (5-1), SARI JO (4-1) and OVERLY TEMPTING (3-1) for second, then use ALL for third. Also, play a second ticket using those three on top, with 'MOMENT for second, then ALL for third.

Trifecta numbers: 4/1,3,8/ALL=\$24 and 1,3,8/4/ALL=\$24

8th race--

1. TWO DIMENSIONAL (2) (P6 SINGLE) 2. EIGHT BELOW (3) 3. REAL CHILL (11)

***\$64 PICK 4 TICKET (races 5-8):

5th race--DIXIE COURAGE, BANDERA NEGRA, MALLEY GIRL, DEL MAR CAT 6th race--TOKYO, SKELLYTOWN, TAVROS, BOUCHARD 7th race--KIN TO A KITTY, SARI JO, BETTERSWEETMOMENT, OVERLY TEMPTING 8th race--TWO DIMENSIONAL

Pick 4 numbers: 4,5,7,11/1,2,4,8/1,3,4,8/2=\$64

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