

BOB IKE'S SANTA ANITA SELECTIONS

WEDNESDAY, MAR. 7

WEDNESDAY SELECTIONS, BETTING STRATEGY AND PICK 4 PLAY

Sunday Results: Hit 2 top choice winners, including Best Play winner CURIOUSLY SWEET (\$8.40), which keyed 4th race trifecta for \$148 on a \$54 total investment.

Today's Best Plays: Races 2, 3, 6 and a \$72 Pick 4 ticket.

NOTE: In the last six racing days, I have hit at least one trifecta on my Best Play races.

1st race--

1. LIGHT FINGERS (6) 2. PIECES OF PARADISE (1) 3. LUCERA (5) 4. ISLAND LIGHTNING (3)

*****2nd race--**

1. BROAD TRY (1) 2. GOLD DATNOID (5) 3. HIGH SPEED GOLDIE (6) 4. BIG SISTER LINDA

BROAD TRY (8-1) responded to the class drop and addition of blinkers to impressively beat maiden claimers in her most recent start. The late-running filly from the Matlow barn dominated through the final furlong and seems like a huge price on the morning line. I will make a Win Bet on 'TRY and key her in the trifecta over BIG SISTER LINDA (7-2), GOLD DATNOID (8-1) and HIGH SPEED GOLDIE (5-2) for second, then use ALL for third. Also, play a second ticket using those three on top, with 'TRY for second, then ALL for third.

Trifecta numbers: 1/3,5,6/ALL=\$21 and 3,5,6/1/ALL=\$21

*****3rd race--**

1. MR. LOGAN (10) 2. PAY THE VIG (2) 3. FORWARD COMMITMENT (8) 4. FLAWLESS FINISH (3)

The first leg of the Pick Six kicks off with a very competitive downhill turf sprint for 3-year-olds. I will go with MR. LOGAN (5-1), who was very well regarded last summer at Del Mar but ran poorly in his only start. He's trained steadily for this, drawn well outside and bred to like turf. Make a Win Bet on 'LOGAN and key him in the trifecta over six horses in the second and third spots: PAY THE VIG (5-1), FLAWLESS FINISH (10-1), DANNY TEMPLETON (3-1), WANTED (8-1), BRENIN GWALIA (4-1) and FORWARD COMMITMENT (5-1). Also, play a second ticket using those six in the first and third spots, with 'LOGAN in the middle.

Trifecta numbers: 10/2,3,4,5,7,8/2,3,4,5,7,8=\$30 and 2,3,4,5,7,8/10/2,3,4,5,7,8=\$30

4th race--

1. KEY MAKER (7) 2. TAKE A CHANCE (1) 3. TRAFFIC UPDATE (9)

5th race--

1. GOLD CENTS (3) 2. TOOGOODFORTHE EX (9) 3. JOAN ALONE (4)

*****6th race--**

1. RED OPAL (3) 2. CARRIE'S A JEWEL (2) 3. RUN FOR DESSERT (8)

In an extremely tough downhill sprint, I will make a Win Bet on value horse CARRIE'S A JEWEL (15-1) and play the trifecta keying my top three selections. Although RED OPAL (2-1) probably is the most likely winner in the race, CARRIE'S A JEWEL offers better value. She ships north to join the red-hot O'Neill barn, has trained well enough and might take to the turf. Make a Win Bet on 'JEWEL and play the trifecta using RED OPAL (2-1), who always fires over this layout; CARRIE'S A JEWEL (15-1); and RUN FOR DESSERT (10-1), who ran poorly in the slop last time but ships back down south and could be a live price horse despite her 0-for-3 record on turf.

Trifecta numbers: 2,3,8/2,3,8/ALL=\$48 plus, trifecta box 2-3-8

7th race--

1. BLACK SEVENTEEN (1) 2. LES GRANDS TROIS (5) 3. ABALANCHE (7)

8th race--

1. CURRENCY TRADER (3) 2. AMERICAN INFLUENCE (4) 3. RAPID SILVER (12) 4. YOUR HOST (7)

*****\$72 PICK 4 TICKET (races 5-8):**

5th race--GOLD CENTS, TOOGOODFORTHE EX

6th race--CARRIE'S A JEWEL, RED OPAL, RUN FOR DESSERT

7th race--BLACK SEVENTEEN, LES GRANDS TROIS, ABALANCHE

8th race--CURRENCY TRADER, AMERICAN INFLUENCE, YOUR HOST, RAPID SILVER

Pick 4 numbers: 3,9/2,3,8/1,5,7/3,4,7,12=\$72

www.BobIkePicks.com features:

--Graded Handicap Selections

--Premium Plays (with full card selections, betting strategy and Pick 4 ticket)

--Free Pick of the Day

--"Notes on a Program" Blog, with daily wrap up, observations and commentary

--Extensive Santa Anita data on "Racing Info" page

--Useful Resources at "Links" page