

BOB IKE'S SANTA ANITA SELECTIONS

THURSDAY, APR. 12

THURSDAY SELECTIONS, BETTING STRATEGY AND PICK 4 TICKET

Wednesday Results: Hit Best Play winner ROCKELLA (\$9.00) in 6th race.

Today's Best Plays: Races 5, 7, 8 and a \$48 Pick 4 ticket.

1st race--

1. REMEMBER BOFFI (4) 2. BURN THE PAGE (6) 3. FRIENDLY HALF (2)

2nd race--

1. YEARLY ATTITUDE (1) 2. EASY OBSESSION (5) 3. KARLEE'S KITTEN (2)

3rd race--

1. NAUGHTYLILHOTTIE (4) 2. HARD WOMAN (1) 3. LADIES BET (2)

4th race--

1. AWESOME GRAF (5) 2. HERBIE LOVE (6) 3. MY CITY BY THE BAY (8)

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

1. JUST KNOCK (5) 2. AINAMAA (6) 3. AUSSIE BIRD (1) 4. FOLLOW THE CLUES (4)

Frankel-trained JUST KNOCK (7-5) tipped her hand first time out with an excellent third-place effort despite encountering severe traffic trouble. The daughter of Chester House finished full of run but came up a half-length short when debuting at a mile on turf. No mistakes today. I will play small trifectas keying 'KNOCK over AUSSIE BIRD (7-2), FOLLOW THE CLUES (12-1), AINAMAA (9-2) and POLO LOUNGE (6-1) in the second and third spots. Also, play a second ticket using those four in the first and third spots, with 'KNOCK in the middle.

Trifecta numbers: 5/1,4,6,9/1,4,6,9=\$12 and 1,4,6,9/5/1,4,6,9=\$12

6th race--

1. YMUSTICHASETHECAT (7) 2. R. BEAU (1) 3. HIGH MANDATE (3)

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

1. LIKE RUNNING WATER (2) 2. MINISTER BLAIR (1A) 3. SEEKING ANSWERS (7) 4. DENIED (8)

In what looks like the most difficult race on the card, I will try LIKE RUNNING WATER (5-1). Although taking a suspicious class drop after being DQ'd out of win vs. NW2/MC allowance runners, 'WATER should beat these if okay. He drops into a claimer for the first and has shown

a liking for this course. Make a Win Bet on 'WATER and key him in the trifecta over five horses in the second and third spots: COURTNALL/MINISTER BLAIR (5-2 entry), BELLS FOOL (15-1), KEY OF SOLOMON (4-1), SEEKING ANSWERS (3-1) and DENIED (6-1). Also, play a second ticket using those five in the first and third spots, with 'WATER in the two-hole.

Trifecta numbers: 2/1,4,5,7,8/1,4,5,7,8=\$20 and 1,4,5,7,8/2/1,4,5,7,8=\$20

*****8th race--**

1. INGA FROM SVEEDAN (4) 2. SUMMER JADE (7) 3. STOMPIN GIA (11)

I will end the day by keying my top two on a pair of trifecta tickets. Preference to INGA FROM SVEEDAN (5-2), who ran well first time out, chasing the winner on the turn before tiring into the stretch. She drops a level and should hard to beat. SUMMER JADE (9-2) hopped at the start and loomed wide on the turn before tiring in her debut. She also has a right to move forward this time.

Trifecta numbers: 4,7/4,7/ALL=\$22 and 4,7/ALL/4,7=\$22

*****\$48 PICK 4 TICKET (races 5-8):**

5th race--JUST KNOCK

6th race--R. BEAU, HIGH MANDATE, YMUSTICHASETHECAT

7th race--ALL

8th race--INGA FROM SVEEDAN, SUMMER JADE

Pick 4 numbers: 5/1,3,7/ALL/4,7=\$48

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