

BOB IKE'S SANTA ANITA SELECTIONS

THURSDAY, APR. 19

THURSDAY SELECTIONS, BETTING STRATEGY AND PICK 4 TICKET

Wednesday Results: Hit 4 top choice winners, including Best Play winners RING OF FRIENDSHIP (\$5.80) and GOODTOBEHOME (\$4.60).

Today's Best Plays: Races 5, 6, 8 and a \$60 Pick 4 ticket.

1st race--

1. WISE MANDATE (5) 2. LEVIN LEVON (4) 3. LEONARDO C. S. (3) 4. SOLDIER'S CREED (8)

2nd race--

1. QUITE BEAUTIFUL (7) 2. CHATTY GAL (1A) 3. CARLA'S GAL (8) 4. REDROUNDER (3)

3rd race--

1. UNUSUAL TREASURE (1) 2. BALLISTIC HEAT (3) 3. STEPHEN BRUCE (5)

4th race--

1. GENERAL BUENO (4) 2. LIGHT OF THE WORLD (1) 3. STORMY GRANT (2)

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

1. CONCLAVE (6) 2. LARRY BY THE LAKE (4) 3. FAST CORREDOR (5)

Getting a huge barn switch to Spawr and catching a paceless field, CONCLAVE looks like a good thing is he duplicates his last race while switching to turf today. The sophomore gelding comes off a good runner-up after setting a fast pace but should be able to go much slower today. Make a Win Bet on CONCLAVE (5-2) and Wheel him in the trifecta over the other five runners. Also, play exactas using ALL over CONCLAVE.

Trifecta numbers: 6/ALL/ALL=\$20

Exacta numbers: ALL/6

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

1. VICTIM OF LOVE (7) 2. OLYMPIC MILER (6) 3. CHAUNCEY (8)

In what might be the most interesting gambling race on the card, I will play the trifecta keying my top three choices in the first and second spots, then using ALL for third. In post position order, use OLYMPIC MILER (9-2), who ran with the top one last time and paid the price but has races that make him a threat and he figures to improve off the Sadler claim; VICTIM OF LOVE (2-1), who is a nine-for-19 professional that is always the one to catch at this level; and

CHAUNCEY (6-1), who has been away since July but has fired fresh in the past and has some decent races over this strip.

Trifecta numbers: 6,7,8/6,7,8/ALL=\$36 plus, trifecta box 6-7-8

7th race--

1. EUROGLIDE (5) 2. ROBBOS COURAGE (4) 3. KNIGHTHOOD (3)

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

1. STORMING SLEW (9) 2. SURE SPEED (1) 3. PROUD CECY (2) 4. SUMMER IN DIXIE (8)

Cal-bred maidens going on turf to end the card. I will play the trifecta keying top choice STORMING SLEW (3-1) over five horses in the second and third spots. 'SLEW comes off a runner-up try to similar after being forced about 6-wide into the stretch. Although she's had seven chances and her late-running style can be trouble on turf, she looks best of a weak lot. In the tri, use 'SLEW over: SURE SPEED (8-1), PROUD CECY (2-1), POWEROFVOODOO (7-2), JUST LIKE HER (8-1) and SUMMER IN DIXIE (12-1). Also, play a second ticket using those five in the first and third spots, with 'SLEW in the middle.

Trifecta numbers: 9/1,2,6,7,8/1,2,6,7,8=\$20 and 1,2,6,7,8/9/1,2,6,7,8=\$20

*****\$60 PICK 4 TICKET (races 5-8):**

5th race--CONCLAVE

6th race--OLYMPIC MILER, VICTIM OF LOVE, CHAUNCEY

7th race--ALL

8th race--SURE SPEED, PROUD CECY, SUMMER IN DIXIE, STORMING SLEW

Pick 4 numbers: 6/6,7,8/ALL/1,2,8,9=\$60

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