

BOB IKE'S SANTA ANITA SELECTIONS

WEDNESDAY, APR. 11

WEDNESDAY SELECTIONS, BETTING STRATEGY AND PICK 4 PLAY

Sunday Results: Hit 4 top choice winners, including Best Play LADDIES POKER (\$6.80-- from 8/1 ML) in 5th race; small exacta in 5th race and small trifectas in 9th race; late Pick 4 for \$48 and five of six in Pick 6.

Today's Best Plays: Races 4, 6, 7 and a \$72 Pick 4 ticket.

1st race--

1. CARBELLA (1) 2. CHATTY GAL (7) 3. ALONEWITHTHESTORM (8) 4. RANCHY (4)

2nd race--

1. OWEN ROE O'NEILL (2) 2. SEASTATE (3) 3. LEMON (1)

3rd race--

1. MESA MAGIC (3) 2. JEALOUS PROFIT (5) 3. TOWN THIEF (7)

***4th race--

1. WARRENSGILDEDTIME (12) 2. SUNSHINE RIDGE (7) 3. HURRY HOME WARREN (1) 4. BRENIN GWALIA (4)

In what appears to be the toughest race on the card, I will make a Win Bet on top choice WARRENSGILDEDTIME (6-1) and play the trifecta keying 'TIME over five horses in the second and third spots. 'TIME comes off a good runner-up try on the main track behind stablemate Idiot Proof in his most recent start. He should get a good stalking trip from his favorable outside post and figures to fire a good shot if he takes to the turf. In the trifecta, key 'TIME over: HURRY HOME WARREN (6-1), SEVENGOLDENMISSILES (8-1), BRENIN GWALIA (7-2), SUNSHINE RIDGE (5-1) and YARIO (15-1). Also, play a second ticket using those five in the first and third spots, with 'TIME in the middle.

Trifecta numbers: 12/1,2,4,7,8/1,2,4,7,8=\$20 and 1,2,4,7,8/12/1,2,4,7,8=\$20

5th race--

1. KLEVEN'S VERBATIM (3) 2. COURT SEEKER (8) 3. JIMMIE PONG (2)

***6th race--

1. ROCKELLA (6) 2. WICKET WAGER (7) 3. LOONEY BOONE (2) 4. BLUSHING BEAR CAT (3)

Coming off a sharp win over the track 13 days ago, I like ROCKELLA (7-2) right back. She rated nicely behind the leaders before coming away impressively in mid-stretch. She gets a confident two-level boost by new trainer Gary Stute, so let's take her right back. Make a Win Bet

on ROCKELLA and key her in the trifecta over LOONEY BOONE (10-1), BLUSHING BEAR CAT (4-1) and WICKET WAGER (3-1) for second, then use ALL for third. Also, play a second ticket using those three on top, with ROCKELLA for second, then ALL for third.

Trifecta numbers: 6/2,3,7/ALL=\$24 and 2,3,7/6/ALL=\$24

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

1. USK POPPY (6) 2. TRICK A CAT (7) 3. MUSICAL HIGH (1) 4. TOTALLY PHAT (9)

In another competitive turf event, I like the chances of front-running USK POPPY (4-1). Shortening up from nine furlongs to a flat mile, the Cecil-trained filly should be coming up to her best as she makes her third start off the layoff. She should be able to dictate the pace in here and keep right on going, so make a Win Bet on 'POPPY and key her in the trifecta over MUSICAL HIGH (3-1), TRICK A CAT (9-2) and TOTALLY PHAT (5-1) for second, then use ALL for third. Play a second ticket using those three on top, with 'POPPY for second, then ALL for third.

Trifecta numbers: 6/1,7,9/ALL=\$21 and 1,7,9/6/ALL=\$21

8th race--

1. BEAU SMOKE (6) 2. CHEROKEE TEAR (7) 3. TIME TO GET EVEN (4) 4. HEWITTS (8)

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

5th race--JIMMIE PONG, KLEVEN'S VERBATIM, COURT SEEKER

6th race--ROCKELLA

7th race--MUSICAL HIGH, USK POPPY, TRICK A CAT, TOTALLY PHAT

8th race--MOBO, TIME TO GET EVEN, BEAU SMOKE, CHEROKEE TEAR, HEWITTS, SMOOTH AND SAVVY

Pick 4 numbers: 2,3,8/6/1,6,7,9/2,4,6,7,8,9=\$72

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