

BOB IKE'S HOLLYWOOD PARK SELECTIONS

FRIDAY, MAY 18

FRIDAY SELECTIONS, BETTING STRATEGY AND PICK 4 TICKET

Thursday Results: Hit 3 top choice winners; and 4th race tri for \$143 on a \$40 investment.

Tonight's Best Plays: Races 4, 7, 8 and a \$72 Pick 4 ticket.

1st race--

1. FOREST MISS (6) 2. OAKHILL GIRL (2) 3. FLIGHT TO CASH (4)

2nd race--

1. ANNIE OAKLEAF (3) 2. WILD SISSY (1) 3. POTION (4)

3rd race--

1. EXCEEDING (2) 2. SCOTTSBLUFF (5) 3. PARMAR DAYS (3)

*****4th race--**

1. REMEMBER MAGGIE (8) 2. KALADY (3) 3. YO JOAN (2) 4. CHERYL'S SIDEKICK (10)

In a very competitive \$20,000 sprint for 3-year-old fillies, I will key around REMEMBER MAGGIE (7-2), who looks like the "speed of the speed" in this contest. The Aguirre-trained filly settled for second across town in her most recent start but drops another peg and showed a liking for Cushion Track during the fall. Make a small Win Bet on 'MAGGIE and key her in the trifecta over YO JOAN (5-1), KALADY (5-1) and CHERYL'S SIDEKICK (15-1) for second, then use ALL for third. Play a second ticket using those three on top, with 'MAGGIE for second, then ALL. Finally, play a "saver" exacta/trifecta box that does not include my top choice.

Trifecta numbers: 8/2,3,10/ALL=\$30 and 2,3,10/8/ALL=\$30

"Saver" Exacta/Trifecta Box: 2-3-10

5th race--

1. DEVINE BY DESIGN (7) 2. SHEZBAD (1) 3. BUG IN A RUG (14) 4. NEUTRALITY (13)

6th race--

1. FANDABIDOO (7) 2. CELTIC DREAMIN (5) 3. GOLDEN ROYAL (4) 4. PRESSTHEPACE (2)

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

1. HIT AND HOPE (7) 2. QUEEN'S IMAGE (9) 3. JITTERBUG BALL (8) 4. EBONY LIGHT (2)

HIT AND HOPE (4-1) has been away since an impressive maiden victory in November. The Drysdale-trained gelding got a soft pace and wired his opponents that night but won in hand and acted like a horse with a future. He has trained very well for his return, including a couple of nice drills on grass, so tab in his return. Make a Win Bet on 'HOPE and key him in the trifecta over EBONY LIGHT (4-1), MASTERLY (8-1), JITTERBUG BALL (3-1) and QUEEN'S IMAGE (7-2) for second, then use ALL for third. Play a second ticket using those four on top, with 'HOPE for second, then ALL for third.

Trifecta numbers: 7/2,3,8,9/ALL=\$28 and 2,3,8,9/7/ALL=\$28

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

1. LIBERTINE (8) 2. MARIN COUNTY (14) 3. HOBGOBLIN (5)

With a full field of maiden claimers, here's an excellent betting race to close out the card. I liked the way LIBERTINE (9-2) ran first time out, finishing well after racing mid-pack early. I think the connections will be much more serious tonight, so look for a top effort from this Patty Harrington-trained second-time starter. Make a Win Bet on LIBERTINE and key him in the trifecta over HOBGOBLIN (7-2) and MARIN COUNTY (4-1) for second, then use ALL for third. Also, play a second ticket using those two on top, with LIBERTINE for second, then ALL for third.

Trifecta numbers: 8/5,14/ALL=\$20 and 5,14/8/ALL=\$20

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

5th race--SHEZBAD, KENTUCKY WALTZ, DEVINE BY DESIGN, WARREN'S ADVENTURE, NEUTRALITY, BUG IN A RUG

6th race--PRESSTHEPACE, GOLDEN ROYAL, CELTIC DREAMIN, FANDABIDOO

7th race--HIT AND HOPE

8th race--HOBGOBLIN, LIBERTINE, MARIN COUNTY

Pick 4 numbers: 1,5,7,8,13,14/2,4,5,7/7/5,8,14=\$72

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