

BOB IKE'S HOLLYWOOD PARK SELECTIONS

FRIDAY, MAY 25

FRIDAY SELECTIONS, BETTING STRATEGY AND PICK 4 TICKET

Thursday Results: Hit 2 top choice winners but went 0-for-3 on my Best Plays.

Tonight's Best Plays: Races 5, 6, 8 and a \$48 Pick 4 ticket. Also, with the Pick Six carryover of more than \$99,000, I will play a suggested \$192 P6 ticket.

1st race--

1. MERGER MANIA (5) 2. LIKE JOSIE WELLS (3) 3. A CORE INGLADY (2)

2nd race--

1. C. T. ZEE (6) 2. STORMY GRANT (2) 3. BEYOND LOADED (4)

3rd race--

1. DOUBLE TROUBLE (3) (P6 SINGLE) 2. FUN LOGIC (1) 3. THRILL AFTER DARK (5)

4th race--

1. GARY JOHN (3) 2. GOTTA GETCHA (5) 3. SOUL WORK (4)

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

1. STEELIN' (8) 2. HENNESSY ROSE (7) 3. CHOCOLATE LAVA (6) 4. DISTORTED VIEW (12)

I will try to get out of this tough turf maiden heat by using just my top two choices. STEELIN' (7-2) ran well in her second start, finishing second while eight lengths clear of the third horse. She should be in a good spot early and will be tough to deny if she takes to the lawn. First-time starter HENNESSY ROSE has a sharp series on tab for cagey trainer Jorge Periban and might come out firing at first pop. Key these two on a pair of trifecta tickets.

Trifecta numbers: 7,8/7,8/ALL=\$20 and 7,8/ALL/7,8=\$20

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

1. BROOKER (7) 2. TUG O' WAR (4) 3. DATTICUS (6) 4. MI REY (2)

In a competitive field of \$50,000 sprinters, I will key class dropper BROOKER (3-1). The West-trained gelding has been facing much stronger runners and should appreciate the drop into the claiming ranks. There's a chance he's heading the wrong way, but if not, he should be very tough in this spot. Play the trifecta keying BROOKER over MI REY (5-1), TUG O' WAR (8-1) and DATTICUS (7-2) for second, then use ALL for third. Also, play a second ticket using those three on top, with BROOKER for second, then ALL for third.

Trifecta numbers: 7/2,4,6/ALL=\$18 and 2,4,6/7/ALL=\$18

7th race--

1. RUNNING FREE (2) 2. SUPER STRUT (4) 3. STEPHEN BRUCE (1)

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

1. SOCIAL SATIRE (4) 2. TRUCKEE LITE (6) 3. CARIBBEAN'S HERD (2) 4. BOSTON DIRECT (5)

In the nightcap, I will play the trifecta keying around my top choices. Preference to dropper SOCIAL SATIRE (5-2), who has been facing stronger and now drops into a maiden claimer for the initial time. He will be dangerous from the bell. Also use TRUCKEE LITE (5-1), who showed good improvement when finishing well in his second start and has come back to work strongly since that race. He should relish the extra half-furlong in distance. I will play the trifecta using these two on top, over CARIBBEAN'S HERD (9-2), BOSTON DIRECT (6-1), VIA RODEO (8-1) and SON MONTUNO (6-1) in the second and third spots.

Trifecta numbers: 4,6/2,4,5,6,9,10/2,4,5,6,9,10=\$40

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

5th race--HENNESSY ROSE, STEELIN'

6th race--MI REY, TUG O' WAR, DATTICUS, BROOKER

7th race--STEPHEN BRUCE, RUNNING FREE, SUPER STRUT

8th race--SOCIAL SATIRE, TRUCKEE LITE

Pick 4 numbers: 7,8/2,4,6,7/1,2,4/4,6=\$48

*****\$192 PICK 6 TICKET (races 3-8):**

3rd race--DOUBLE TROUBLE

4th race--GARY JOHN, GOTTA GETCHA

5th race--HENNESSY ROSE, STEELIN'

6th race--MI REY, TUG O' WAR, DATTICUS, BROOKER

7th race--STEPHEN BRUCE, RUNNING FREE, SUPER STRUT

8th race--SOCIAL SATIRE, TRUCKEE LITE

Pick 6 numbers: 3/3,5/7,8/2,4,6,7/1,2,4/4,6=\$192

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