

BOB IKE'S HOLLYWOOD PARK SELECTIONS

FRIDAY, MAY 4

FRIDAY SELECTIONS, BETTING STRATEGY AND PICK 4 TICKET

Thursday Results: Hit Best Play winner ALBERTUS MAXIMUS (\$3.60--bet down from 7/2 ML); and 7th race trifecta for \$42 on a \$56 investment.

Today's Best Plays: Races 4, 5, 6 and a \$70 Pick 4 ticket.

1st race--

1. FETE (1) 2. BRILLIANT CUT (5) 3. FOREST DANZ (3)

2nd race--

1. BANANA BOAT JOE (3) 2. RED HOT FLAME (4) 3. TRACTON'S GOLDEN (6) 4. LAKE MEZA (2)

3rd race--

1. NAKABA (1) 2. PRECIOUSNESS (3) 3. SHERMEEN (5)

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

1. CALIFORNIA CLASSIC (8) 2. CURANDERA (10) 3. SCHAGHTICOKE HILL (6)

I will play the trifecta keying around class droppers CALIFORNIA CLASSIC (9-5) and CURANDERA (6-1). 'CLASSIC is the one to beat off her good third-place effort vs. straight maidens on Mar. 15. The drop seems somewhat suspicious but she drilled a bullet :59 over the track for red-hot Koriner. Also use CURANDERA (6-1), who chased briefly before backing up first time out vs. straight maidens. She gets Lasix, moves from the rail to outside and continues to train in solid fashion. Key these two on a pair of trifecta tickets.

Trifecta numbers: 8,10/8,10/ALL=\$16 and 8,10/ALL/8,10=\$16

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

1. O BEE NAKI (7) 2. MISS SILVER IMAGE (5) 3. CELTIC WAY (3)

Although only seven go postward, I think there is still value in this race, since I like price horse O BEE NAKI (12-1). The Periban-trainee has been freshened for about two months but is training extremely well over a track she clearly adores. She ran three good efforts over the Cushion Track during the fall meet. Make a Win Bet on 'NAKI and key her on a pair of trifecta with logical favorites CELTIC WAY (5-2) and MISS SILVER IMAGE (2-1).

Trifecta numbers: 7/3,5/ALL=10 and 3,5/7/ALL=\$10

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

1. THE UNCLEAN SPIRIT (9) 2. HEADED FOR HOME (10) 3. KAILEE RUSH (8) 4. TOKYO (6)

In probably the most difficult race on the card, I will make a Win Bet on top choice THE UNCLEAN SPIRIT (9-2) and key him in the trifecta over six horses in the second and third spots. 'SPIRIT chased a blazing pace first time out before fading to fourth in a race where the runner-up came back to win his next start. The Machowky-trainee has trained here all along and gets a favorable outside draw for this. In the tri, key 'SPIRIT over six horses in the second and third spots: GRECIAN SPUR (12-1), REGAL CAREER (6-1), AWESOME SHINE (6-1), TOKYO (5-1), KAILEE RUSH (3-1) and HEADED FOR HOME (7-2). Also, play a second ticket using those six in the first and third spots, with 'SPIRIT in the middle.

Trifecta numbers: 9/2,3,5,6,8,10/2,3,5,6,8,10=\$30 and 2,3,5,6,8,10/9/2,3,5,6,8,10=\$30

7th race--

1. SWEET WAY (3) 2. GOTTA HAVE HER (1) 3. LAKE MARINA (5)

8th race--

1. EXPLODING MISS (5) 2. FIFTH BASE (3) 3. ANGELINA'S ACE (4) 4. BLUE KITTY (6)

*****\$70 PICK 4 TICKET (races 5-8):**

5th race--O BEE NAKI

6th race--GRECIAN SPUR, REGAL CAREER, AWESOME SHINE, TOKYO, KAILEE RUSH, THE UNCLEAN SPIRIT, HEADED FOR HOME

7th race--GOTTA HAVE HER, SWEET WAY

8th race--FIFTH BASE, ANGELINA'S ACE, EXPLODING MISS, BLUE KITTY, OLDCOURT

Pick 4 numbers: 7/2,3,5,6,8,9,10/1,3/3,4,5,6,9=\$70

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