

BOB IKE'S HOLLYWOOD PARK SELECTIONS

TUESDAY, MAY 1

TUESDAY SELECTIONS, BETTING STRATEGY AND PICK 4 TICKET

Sunday Results: Hit 7 top choice winners (including EPIC POWER and LEESIDER at \$16.80); and nailed 8th race trifecta for \$171 on a \$64 investment. I missed the first leg of the Pick 4 but my selections in the late Pick 3 returned \$697 (potential \$20 play).

Today's Best Plays: Races 3, 6, 7 and a \$72 Pick 4 ticket.

1st race--

1. YMUSTICHASETHECAT (4) 2. JOHN THE MAITRE D (3) 3. BOUND TO GET EVEN (1)

2nd race--

1. BEYOND LOADED (4) 2. BRITE BOBBY (3) 3. STELLA MARK (2)

*****3rd race--**

1. MIGHTY FINE WINE (8) 2. SKIPPER MIKE (5) 3. RED HOT RENEE (7) 4. PROUD GARRISON (4)

This is my least favorite of the three Best Plays races on today's card. I will make a small Win Bet on Harrington-trained first-time starter MIGHTY FINE WINE (7-2), who doesn't show fancy works but might come out firing anyway. This barn has sent out a number of live 2-year-olds but hasn't been able to connect yet. Play the trifecta keying 'WINE over PROUD GARRISON (5-1), SKIPPER MIKE (5-1) and RED HOT RENEE (3-1) for second, then use ALL for third. On a second ticket, use those three on top, with 'WINE for second, then ALL.

Trifecta numbers: 8/4,5,7/ALL=\$18 and 4,5,7/8/ALL=\$18

4th race--

1. KING FORBES (1) 2. ROWAN CHARM (9) 3. HELMSTAR (1A) 4. VIRTUE N VICE (2)

5th race--

1. STREET LIGHTS (2) 2. TEMECULA CREEK (6) 3. BLACK SEVENTEEN (1)

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

1. DESERT RAIN (12) 2. MIKE'S TRIPPIN (13) 3. HIGH COMMAND (10) 4. GOODNIGHT KISS (7)

In what might be the best gambling race on the card, I will play the trifecta keying around top choice and lukewarm favorite DESERT RAIN (7-2). The Ellis-trainee comes off a runner-up try to My Man Murf (who came back to beat winners) and shows a steadily improving pattern. He

should get a good stalking trip from outside for a barn that is starting to heat up here. Make a Win Bet on 'RAIN and key him in the trifecta over five horses in the second and third spots: LEGENDARY MUD (8-1), TRUCKEE THUNDER (20-1), GOODNIGHT KISS (8-1), HIGH COMMAND (8-1) and MIKE'S TRIPPIN (5-1). Also, play a second ticket using those five in the first and third spots, with 'RAIN in the middle.

Trifecta numbers: 12/1,2,7,10,13/1,2,7,10,13=\$20 and 1,2,7,10,13/12/1,2,7,10,13=\$20

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

1. UNION AVENUE (7) 2. JAKE SKATE (2) 3. IT'S A BIRD (1)

As we have seen, the Turf-to-Cushion angle has been very productive over this track. With that in mind, I like the chances of UNION AVENUE (6-1). The Drysdale-trainee showed ability winning three of nine starts on grass last year and has trained in very good style over the HP main track. This isn't a real strong field, so look for 'AVENUE to be very formidable in this spot. Make a Win Bet on 'AVENUE and play the trifecta keying my top three choices in the first and second spots, then using ALL for third. In post position order, use IT'S A BIRD (6-1), who stretches out for Sadler after a couple of nice 6 furlong drills over the track; JAKE SKATE (3-1), who is jumped up off a strong win for \$40,000; and UNION AVENUE (6-1).

Trifecta numbers: 1,2,7/1,2,7/ALL=\$42 plus, trifecta box 1-2-7

8th race--

1. CANTBEATWHATUCANTC (8) 2. DEPUTY LAD (3) 3. STEVIE D (9)

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

5th race--STREET LIGHTS, TEMECULA CREEK

6th race--LEGENDARY MUD, TRUCKEE THUNDER, GOODNIGHT KISS, HIGH COMMAND, DESERT RAIN, MIKE'S TRIPPIN

7th race--IT'S A BIRD, JAKE SKATE, UNION AVENUE

8th race--DEPUTY LAD, CANTBEATWHATUCANTC

Pick 4 numbers: 2,6/1,2,7,10,12,13/1,2,7/3,8=\$72

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