

BOB IKE'S HOLLYWOOD PARK SELECTIONS

THURSDAY, MAY 31

THURSDAY SELECTIONS, BETTING STRATEGY AND PICK 4 TICKET

Wednesday Results: Hit 4 top choice winners; 6th race trifecta for \$102 on a \$42 investment; and late Pick 4 for \$187 on a \$54 ticket.

Today's Best Plays: Races 3, 4, 8 and a \$72 Pick 4 ticket.

1st race--

1. DANCING GENERAL (2) 2. GRECIAN (4) 3. SWEET BELLE (5)

2nd race--

1. DEPUTY LAD (1) 2. TUMBAGA (4) 3. MESA MAGIC (5)

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

1. CHEYENNE QUEEN (1) 2. LADY IN LOVE (9) 3. BLUSHING BEAR CAT (4)

I will play the trifecta keying my top three choices in the first and second spots, then using ALL for third. In post position order, use CHEYENNE QUEEN (5-2), who drops back down into the claiming ranks and looks like the one to beat off her best effort; BLUSHING BEAR CAT (6-1), who finished a non-threatening third in her most recent but has won over Cushion Track and might be closer to the pace this time; and LADY IN LOVE (3-1), who is razor sharp right now and steps up two levels as she bids for her third straight win.

Trifecta numbers: 1,4,9/1,4,9/ALL=\$42 plus, trifecta box 1-4-9

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

1. RECKONING DAY (7) 2. VEILS DE FLEUR (1) 3. HUNSLEY BUNSLEY (2) 4. SWEET BOUYANT (3)

With a full field of maiden claimers going, I will try stretch-out play RECKONING DAY (7-2) for trainer Ted West. 'DAY has shown modest ability in two starts but the daughter of Irgun adds blinkers today and might appreciate the added distance. Make a small Win Bet on 'DAY and key her in the trifecta over VEILS DE FLEUR (5-2), HUNSLEY BUNSLEY (9-2) and SWEET BOUYANT (6-1) for second, then use ALL for third. Also, play a second ticket using those three on top, with 'DAY for second, then ALL for third. Finally, play a "saver" exacta/trifecta box that excludes my top choice but uses the other three contenders.

Trifecta numbers: 7/1,2,3/ALL=\$27 and 1,2,3/7/ALL=\$27

"Saver" Exacta/Trifecta Box: 1-2-3

5th race--

1. FETE (6) 2. CROSSING THE LINE (4) 3. BRILLIANT CUT (2)

6th race--

1. HELLO FAME (6) 2. LONE PRAIRIE (12) 3. HEMET THOUGHT (9) 4. ECHEZEAUX (8)

7th race--

1. SWEET DAY (5) 2. ROCKET KITTY (6) 3. BIEN DULCE (4)

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

1. DEBATING SOCIETY (1) 2. MIGHTY FINE WINE (6) 3. HAPPYTOCANCWITHYOU (8) 4. LIVIA LA VIDA LOCA (9)

In a complete raffle, I will take a shot with the entry of DEBATING SOCIETY/BORDER PROBLEMS (9-2). The Jones-trained juveniles have trained in solid style and look as good as any in a wide-open finale. I will make a small Win Bet on 'SOCIETY and play the trifecta keying the entry over five horses in the second and third spots: WARREN'S GIRL GIRL (20-1), MIGHTY FINE WINE (5-1), HAPPYTODANCWITHYOU (4-1), LIVIA LA VIDA LOCA (7-2) and GOLD WAR (6-1). Also, play a second ticket using those five in the first and third spots, with 'SOCIETY in the middle.

Trifecta numbers: 1/3,6,8,9,10/3,6,8,9,10=\$20 and 3,6,8,9,10/1/3,6,8,9,10=\$20

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

5th race--CROSSING THE LINE, FETE

6th race--LITE MAN, FIGURES, HELLO FAME, ECHEZEAUX, HEMET THOUGHT, LONE PRAIRIE

7th race--SWEET WAY

8th race--DEBATING SOCIETY/BORDER PROBLEMS (entry), WARREN'S GIRL GIRL, MIGHTY FINE WINE, HAPPYTODANCWITHYOU, LIVIA LA VIDA LOCA, GOLD WAR

Pick 4 numbers: 4,6/3,5,6,8,9,12/5/1,3,6,8,9,10=\$72

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