

# BOB IKE'S HOLLYWOOD PARK SELECTIONS

## THURSDAY, JULY 12

### THURSDAY SELECTIONS, BETTING STRATEGY AND PICK 4 TICKET

*Wednesday Results: Hit 5 top choice winners; went 0-for-2 on my Best Plays (scratch in 6th race also wiped out Pick 4 ticket).*

**Today's Best Plays: Races 4, 5, 6 and a \$63 Pick 4 ticket.**

1st race--

1. TIZFIZ (5) 2. HENNESSY ROSE (4) 3. KATORI (2)

2nd race--

1. CAPTAIN SACTO (2) 2. DIXIE'S RULER (3) 3. MOB RULE (4)

3rd race--

1. PROUD GARRISON (6) 2. UNLIMITED GOLD (5) 3. ONGOING (7) 4. NAMIRAH (3)

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

**1. JAMAICANMELATE (6) 2. GARY JOHN (2) 3. SCOONERWHARFBARDOG (1)**

Although he finished far back in his local bow, the running line does not do justice to the trip encountered by JAMAICANMELATE (7-2). He was hopelessly blocked from the 1/4-pole to the wire while buried behind horses the entire length of the lane. Switching to Espinoza and drawn well outside, 'LATE can't help but get a clean trip this time out. I will make a **sizable Win Bet on 'LATE** and key him in exacta boxes with logical favorites SCOONERWHARFBARDOG (3-1) and GARY JOHN (2-1).

**Exacta Boxes: 1-6 and 2-6**

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

**1. MOOD WINNER (8) 2. EASY OBSESSION(1) 3. NEWPORT TOPPER (4) 4. VATCHESVENDETTA (6)**

MOOD WINNER (3-1) switched to turf and ran like a wild horse when breaking her maiden last time out. The daughter of good turf sire Comic Strip got loose on a soft pace and then dominated while coming her final 1/4-mile in :23.1. She catches more early pace this time but might not need the lead to win. Make a Win Bet on 'WINNER at 5-2 or better, and key her in the trifecta over the inside six horses. Also, play a second ticket using those six on top, with 'WINNER for second, then ALL for third.

**Trifecta numbers: 8/1,2,3,4,5,6/1,2,3,4,5,6=\$30 and 1,2,3,4,5,6/8/1,2,3,4,5,6=\$30**

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

**1. HONORED GOLD (1) 2. PROMISE OF SPRING (5) 3. LIGHT FINGERS (3) 4. GINNY WINNER (4)**

In a very soft restricted claiming race, I like the chances of favorite HONORED GOLD (2-1). The Mitchell-trained filly ran very well from the outside post when facing stronger starter allowance competition. She had to be used hard to make the lead before paying the price in deep stretch. Drawn inside and catching less heat, she should be able to make a clear lead while setting modest splits. Key her in the trifecta over four horses in the second and third spots: LIGHT FINGERS (4-1), GINNY WINNER (10-1), PROMISE OF SPRING (5-2) and SILVERS SURPRISE (10-1). Also, play a second ticket using those four in the first and third spots, with 'GOLD in the middle.

**Trifecta numbers: 1/3,4,5,7/3,4,5,7=\$12      and      3,4,5,7/1/3,4,5,7=\$12**

7th race--

1. ONLY ONE WAY (4) 2. CIGAR PAL (1) 3. QUEEN'S IMAGE (3)

8th race--

1. MORE THAN A LADY (5) 2. PROUD MAGIC (7) 3. GOLDEN VENTURE (1)

**\*\*\*\$63 PICK 4 TICKET (races 5-8):**

5th race--EASY OBSESSION, STINGOFTRUTH, STAR VOYAGER, NEWPORT TOPPER, TIZ NEXT, VATCHESVENDETTA, MOOD WINNER (Alternate: None)

6th race--HONORED GOLD

7th race--CIGAR PAL, QUEEN'S IMAGE, ONLY ONE WAY (Alternate: None)

8th race--GOLDEN VENTURE, MORE THAN A LADY, PROUD MAGIC (Alternate: A SONG AT TWILIGHT)

**Pick 4 numbers: 1,2,3,4,5,6,8/1/1,3,4/1,5,7=\$63**

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