BOB IKE'S DEL MAR SELECTIONS MONDAY, AUG. 20

MONDAY SELECTIONS, BETTING STRATEGY AND PICK 4 TICKET

Sunday Results: Hit 6 top choice winners, including Best Play winner MINISTER BLAIR (\$8.60); and 10th race trifecta for \$145 on a \$36 total investment (after scratch). Note: One of my Best Play races and Pick 4 ticket was nullified with the scratch of Quintons Shocker in the 9th race.

Today's Best Plays: Races 5, 6, 8 and a \$72 Pick 4 ticket.

1st race--

1. ANGEL CRAFT (3) 2. ZOEMEG (6) 3. LADY MATILDA (2) 4. ROYAL PRANA (4)

2nd race--

1. LORD ALBION (7) 2. SUNDAY NAP (6) 3. FLY TO THE WIRE (2)

3rd race--

1. L. A. PHIL (8) 2. WINGS OF FREEDOM (5) 3. HERBIE LOVE (6) 4. I'M BULLETPROOF (3)

4th race--

1. BLACK HILLS GOLDIE (5) 2. MEAN HEAT (6) 3. FOXY GAMES (1) 4. LADY ELIZABETH (2)

***5th race--

1. FREELOVIN' FRAN (11) 2. GULA GOLD (7) 3. DIXIE DIXIE DIXIE (9)

With a full field signed up, the first leg of the Pick 4 is a good gambling race. I like the chances of FREELOVIN' FRAN (9-2), who comes off a good second over the track and is drawn well outside for new trainer Sadler. She should get an ideal stalking trip under Flores, who got to know her last time. Make a **Win Bet on 'FRAN** and key her in trifectas with late runners GULA GOLD (12-1) and DIXIE DIXIE DIXIE (8-1). Also, play Daily Doubles from 'FRAN to WATCH OVER ME and WHEATON HALL in the next race.

Trifecta numbers: 11/7,9/ALL=\$18 and 7,9/11/ALL=\$18

Exacta/Trifecta Box: 7-9-11

Daily Doubles: 11/2,5

***6th race--

1. WHEATON HALL (5) 2. WATCH OVER ME (2) 3. SALAH WHO (8) 4. COUNT ORANGE (4)

Stepping up three levels off a sharp win over Polytrack, WHEATON HALL (3-1) gets the edge in this competitive \$40,000 sprint. He should get the same kind of ideal trip as late time, sitting behind speed horses and challenging on the turn. **If not alive in the Daily Double, make a Win Bet on 'HALL**. Play trifectas keying 'HALL with WATCH OVER ME (5-2), COUNT ORANGE (4-1) and SALAH WHO (9-2).

Trifecta numbers: 5/2,4,8/ALL=\$18 and 2,4,8/5/ALL=\$18

7th race--

1. MIDWESTERNER (4) 2. OLD MAN RIVER (3) 3. VICTORY DESIGN (2)

***8th race--

1. QUEEN HOLLY (10) 2. PERFECT STAR (8) 3. LOVE HAPPENS (9) 4. STREET ZONING (1)

In a wide-open race to end the week, I will give the edge to QUEEN HOLLY (4-1). The Cerintrained filly turned in a decent debut when finishing well after lacking early speed. She should appreciate the extra furlong in distance, and has worked three times over this strip. Make a **Win Bet on 'HOLLY** and key her in the trifecta over five horses in the second and third spots: STREET ZONING (15-1), WONG LEE (8-1), PERFECT STAR (8-1), LOVE HAPPENS (5-1) and STITCHIT (8-1). Also, play a second ticket using those five in the first and third spots, with 'HOLLY in the middle.

Trifecta numbers: 10/2,6,8,9,11/2,6,8,9,11=\$20 and 2,6,8,9,11/10/2,6,8,9,11=\$20

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

5th race--FREELOVIN' FRAN

6th race--WATCH OVER ME, COUNT ORANGE, WHEATON HALL, SALAH WHO

(Alternate: DA CARDINAL)

7th race--VICTORY DESIGN, OLD MAN RIVER, MIDWESTERNER (Alternate: SYDNEY

AGAIN)

8th race--STREET ZONING, WONG LEE, PERFECT STAR, LOVE HAPPENS, QUEEN

HOLLY, STITCHIT (Alternate: MYSTIC GEISHA)

Pick 4 numbers: 11/2,4,5,8/2,3,4/2,6,8,9,10,11=\$72

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