BOB IKE'S DEL MAR SELECTIONS SATURDAY, AUG. 18

SATURDAY SELECTIONS, BETTING STRATEGY AND PICK 4 TICKET

Friday Results: Hit 2 top choice winners, including Best Play winner PLAN FOR FUN (\$10.60) in 5th race.

Today's Best Plays: Races 5, 6, 7 and a \$64 Pick 4 ticket.

1st race--

1. ITSALLGREEKTOU (2) 2. EAGLE ISLAND (5) 3. TIZFIZ (7) 4. THRU N' THRU (4)

2nd race--

1. SIX AGAIN (9) 2. SET FOR COMBAT (6) 3. CLAIM A MIRACLE (10)

3rd race--

1. FEEL RIDGE (4) 2. MASHINA (8) 3. SIX CENTS OF HUMOR (6) 4. CATEGORIZE (1)

4th race--

1. CAPI AND MAX (6) 2. PROTECTOROFALLEVIL (1) 3. REFLEX (10)

***5th race--

1. AREUTRUE (3) 2. RUN FOREST RUN (11) 3. READY SAY GO (5)

In a very competitive starter allowance heat, I will make a **Win Bet on top choice AREUTRUE** (7-2) and play the trifecta keying my top three choices in the first and second spots, then using ALL for third. AREUTRUE was DQ'd from third last time when facing \$50,000 3-year-olds but now gets back into the starter allowance ranks. With a race over the track, he might be set for a winning effort. In the trifecta, use AREUTRUE (7-2); READY SAY GO (8-1), who returned from a lengthy layoff to break his maiden in good style over the Polytrack; and RUN FOREST RUN (6-1), who obviously likes this track (making his third start of meet) and should appreciate the shorter distance.

Trifecta numbers: 3,5,11/3,5,11/ALL=\$60 plus, trifecta box 3-5-11

***6th race--

1. BANNER LODGE (8) 2. TROPIC STORM (3) 3. JUST JULIAN (5) 4. THEIR HE GOES (7)

This looks like one of the most competitive maiden races of the season. I will take a shot on first-time starter BANNER LODGE (15-1), who has trained extremely well for Sadler and figures to take plenty of betting action. The son of Chester House has a strong series on tab, capped off with a :47 breezing move over the strip. Make a Win Bet on 'LODGE and key him in trifectas

with TROPIC STORM (6-1), JUST JULIAN (7-2) and THEIR HE GOES (9-2). Also, make an exacta/trifecta box using my top four selections.

Trifecta numbers: 8/3,5,7/ALL=\$30 and 3,5,7/8/ALL=\$30

Exacta/Trifecta Box: 3-5-7-8

***7th race--

1. BARBECUE EDDIE (8) 2. PICK VIC (1) 3. BLOWOUT (9) 4. RABBI (11)

BARBECUE EDDIE (5-2) was in impressive maiden winner over this oval and deserves top billing here. The Koriner-trainee looks like the speed of the lineup and should have no trouble getting the extra furlong in distance. I will play the trifecta keying 'EDDIE over PICK VIC (9-2), BLOWOUT (7-2) and RABBI (8-1) for second, then use ALL for third. Play a second ticket using those three on top, with 'EDDIE for second, then ALL for third. Finally, play a four-horse exacta/trifecta box using my top four runners.

Trifecta numbers: 8/1,9,11/ALL=\$27 and 1,9,11/8/ALL=\$27

Exacta/Trifecta Box: 1-8-9-11

8th race--

1. RUTHERIENNE (8) 2. VALBENNY (9) 3. SUPPOSITION (7) 4. FLEET CAROLINE (6)

9th race--

1. RAISE THE HEAT (5) 2. SANTA FE (10) 3. PRINCE OF GOLD (3) 4. DESERT SEA (11)

***\$64 PICK 4 TICKET (races 6-9):

6th race--TROPIC STORM, JUST JULIAN, THEIR HE GOES, BANNER LODGE (Alternate: CHEROKEE TEAR)

7th race--PICK VIC, BARBECUE EDDIE, BLOWOUT, RABBI (Alternate: SILVER SQUALL)

8th race--FLEET CAROLINE, SUPPOSITION, RUTHERIENNE, VALBENNY (Alternate: PASSIFIED)

9th race--RAISE THE HEAT

Pick 4 numbers: 3,5,7,8/1,8,9,11/6,7,8,9/5=\$64

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