

# BOB IKE'S DEL MAR SELECTIONS

## FRIDAY, AUG. 24

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

*Thursday Results: Hit 4 top choice winners, including Best Play ROYAL HERALDRY (\$6.20); and small trifecta in 6th race.*

**Today's Best Plays: Races 3, 5, 8 and a \$50 Pick 4 ticket.**

1st race--

1. USURP (5) 2. SAVOY (3) 3. GOOD DIRECTION (7) 4. FOLLOWS NONE (6)

2nd race--

1. IMAGINE (5) 2. NAKABA (2) 3. SOL MI FA (1)

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

**1. HASTY TEXAN (5) 2. HEATHER'S ECHO (6) 3. ALPINE NUGGET (9) 4. J AND J EXPRESS (8)**

Coming out of much stronger races and switching to leading rider Michael Baze, HASTY TEXAN (3-1) should be very tough to deny in this spot. The Eurton-trainee broke very poorly first time out, then didn't fire last time in a fast race for the level. Dropping down to the MC\$25,000 level, he should be tough to deny. I will play the trifecta keying 'TEXAN over five horses in the second and third spots: SUR CHI CHI (8-1), HEATHER'S ECHO (4-1), J AND J EXPRESS (12-1), ALPINE NUGGET (7-2) and PROSALATE (5-1). Also, play a second ticket using those five in the first and third spots, with 'TEXAN in the middle.

**Trifecta numbers: 5/1,6,8,9,12/1,6,8,9,12=\$20 and 1,6,8,9,12/5/1,6,8,9,12=\$20**

4th race--

1. CONCLAVE (5) 2. RIVER REBEL (7) 3. TOX DEE BEE (3)

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

**1. CHASIN FREEDOM (12) 2. MIKE'S TRIPPIN (6) 3. NORTH FLEET STREET (3) 4. COWBOYSANDINDIANS (2)**

In a competitive first leg of the Pick 4, I will give the edge to CHASIN FREEDOM (7-2). The Peery runner battled on the lead from down inside last time before tiring through the final furlong. With the move outside, 'FREEDOM should get an ideal trip and looks like the one to beat on the one-level class drop. Make a **Win Bet on 'FREEDOM at 3-1 or better**, and key him in the trifecta over COWBOYSANDINDIANS (10-1), NORTH FLEET STREET (9-2), MIKE'S TRIPPIN (5-1) and COOL COMMANDER (5-1) for second, then use ALL for third. Also, play exactas using those four over 'FREEDOM.

**Trifecta numbers: 12/2,3,6,11/ALL=\$40**

**Exacta numbers: 2,3,6,11/12**

6th race--

1. EDDIE MUNSTA (6) 2. STRENGTH (4) 3. ROAR IN SOLANA (1) 4. MO'S POCOLINO (2)

7th race--

1. RUSH RUSH (1A) 2. FIRE WOOD (6) 3. GENERAL SHERMAN (7)

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

**1. PEACE BY PEACE (1A) 2. BLAZEITGIRL (4) 3. MEET THE LORD (10)**

In the finale, I will play trifectas keying my top two choices. PEACE BY PEACE (2-1) ran like a bleeder last time, showing speed to better before stopping badly. She drops into a claimer and gets Lasix for this, so look for her to be very tough to catch on the front end. BLAZEITGIRL (4-1) regressed second time out (after a promising debut run here) but also drops in for a tag and came back with a very strong work since raced. These two should lock up the race, so look for chaos to complete the trifecta.

**Trifecta numbers: 1,4/1,4/ALL=\$14      and      1,4/ALL/1,4=\$14**

**\*\*\*\$50 PICK 4 TICKET (races 5-8):**

5th race--COWBOYSANDINDIANS, NORTH FLEET STREET, MIKE'S TRIPPIN, COOL COMMANDER, CHASIN FREEDOM (Alternate: CASCADIA'S STAR)

6th race--ROAR IN SOLANA, MO'S POCOLINO, STRENGTH, EDDIE MUNSTA, SIDEPOCKET CAT (Alternate: SHIMMERING DUNES)

7th race--RUSH RUSH (entry)

8th race--PEACE BY PEACE (entry), BLAZEITGIRL (Alternate: MEET THE LORD)

**Pick 4 numbers: 2,3,6,11,12/1,2,4,6,7/1/1,4=\$50**

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