

BOB IKE'S DEL MAR SELECTIONS

SUNDAY, SEPT. 2

SUNDAY SELECTIONS, BETTING STRATEGY AND PICK 4 TICKET

Saturday Results: Hit 4 top choice winners but went 0-for-3 on my Best Plays.

Today's Best Plays: Races 6, 7, 10 and a \$75 Pick 4 ticket.

1st race--

1. WITNESS THIS (7) 2. MEGABYTE (8) 3. OCEANUS (2) 4. OCEAN LAUNCH (1A)

2nd race--

1. LUCKY J. H. (4) 2. STORM MATE (7) 3. ARTISTE ROYAL (6)

3rd race--

1. PLAN FOR FUN (1) 2. PRIMERICA (5) 3. KINGDOM COME (10)

4th race--

1. TEMPERANCE (2) 2. FILM EDITOR (4) 3. OAKHILL GIRL (9) 4. ZOEMEG (1)

5th race--

1. AVA D (5) 2. MRS. ROCHA (9) 3. WARREN'S MYSTERY (8)

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

1. WILD DIPLOMAT (5) 2. CALL OR RAISE (2) 3. TIZSONG (9) 4. ORIENTATE SLEW (8)

Coming off a strong runner-up try after a four-month freshening, WILD DIPLOMAT (3-1) looks ready to break his maiden for O'Neill. After chasing next-out winner Barbecue Eddie, 'DIPLOMAT switches to leading rider M.Baze and shows three strong works over the track since raced. Make a **Win Bet on 'DIPLOMAT at 5-2 or better**, and key him in the trifecta over five horses in the second and third spots: CALL OR RAISE (4-1), NATIVE SUCCESS (12-1), A TRIPLE A (15-1), ORIENTATE SLEW (9-2) and TIZSONG (12-1). Also, play a second ticket using those five in the first and third spots, with 'DIPLOMAT in the middle.

Trifecta numbers: 5/2,3,6,8,9/2,3,6,8,9=\$20 and 2,3,6,8,9/5/2,3,6,8,9=\$20

*****7th race--**

1. ROMANCE IS DIANE (11) 2. MOSTBEAUTIFULSTORM (5) 3. BIG BERTHA (10)

In a competitive edition of the Torrey Pines Stakes, I will give the edge to ROMANCE IS DIANE (9-2). Hailing from the red-hot Mitchell barn, 'DIANE is coming off a close third sprinting in a Cal-bred stakes and now looks ready to stretch out again. She has always been better around two turns and gets that chance today. Make a **Win Bet on 'DIANE** and play the

trifecta keying around my top three choices. MOSTBEAUTIFULSTORM (5-1) ran decently to finish fourth in a turf stakes and now switches to Polytrack, over which she won two races at Keeneland; BIG BERTHA (15-1), a sharp winner on turf who now switches over to Poly; and ROMANCE IS DIANE (9-2).

Trifecta numbers: 5,10,11/5,10,11/ALL=\$54 plus, trifecta box 5-10-11

8th race--

1. LA MINA (6) 2. GENTLE AUDREY (10) 3. KAZAMIRA (12) 4. FIRE N'BRIMSTONE (11)

9th race--

1. STONESIDE (1) 2. BLEU INTENSE (3) 3. MEDICI CODE (10) 4. WORLDLY (4)

*****10th race--**

1. RUDEAMEANIE (8) 2. WARREN'S RULER (5) 3. WINGS OF FREEDOM (7) 4. DIXIE MUSIC ROLL (13)

In a very good betting race to end the card, I will key around top choice RUDEAMEANIE (6-1). Coming off a good maiden win over the strip and claimed by Becerra (38%) first off the claim, this sophomore gelding looks like a good play right back. He should be forwardly placed throughout and be in the right spot turning for home. Make a **Win Bet on RUDEAMEANIE** and key him in the trifecta over WARREN'S RULER (5-1), WINGS OF FREEDOM (4-1), ALPHA LUCKY (8-1) and DIXIE MUSIC ROLL (6-1) for second, then use ALL for third. Also, play a second ticket using those four on top, with RUDEAMEANIE for second, then ALL for third.

Trifecta numbers: 8/5,7,9,13/ALL=\$36 and 5,7,9,13/8/ALL=\$36

*****\$75 PICK 4 TICKET (races 7-10):**

7th race--MOSTBEAUTIFULSTORM, BIG BERTHA, ROMANCE IS DIANE (Alternate: SEASIDE AFFAIR)

8th race--GORGEOUS GOOSE, LA MINA, GENTLE AUDREY, FIRE N'BRIMSTONE, KAZAMIRA (Alternate: CATCH CANDY)

9th race--STONESIDE (Alternate: BLEU INTENSE)

10th race--WARREN'S RULER, WINGS OF FREEDOM, RUDEAMEANIE, ALPHA LUCKY, DIXIE MUSIC ROLL (Alternate: EXTREME NOTICE)

Pick 4 numbers: 5,10,11/2,6,10,11,12/1/5,7,8,9,13=\$75

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