

BOB IKE'S OAK TREE SELECTIONS

FRIDAY, OCT. 12

FRIDAY SELECTIONS, BETTING STRATEGY AND PICK 4 TICKET

Thursday Results: Went 0-for-3 on my Best Plays.

Today's Best Plays: Races 5, 6, 7 and a \$72 Pick 4 ticket. Also, with the Pick Six carryover of more than \$72,000, I will give out two suggested P6 "singles".

1st race--

1. SWEET AUGUST MOON (5) 2. UNSPOKEN FUR (6) 3. ROYAL HUMOR (1)

2nd race--

1. RUN RIGHT THRU (1) 2. KISSIN PARTY (2) 3. GOODBYE NORMA JEAN (5)

3rd race--

1. MY MANHATTAN (5) 2. SUISSE MOVEMENT (6) 3. EXCESSIVE TALE (4)

4th race--

1. HILOGOLD (3) 2. MINIMITE (5) 3. STOP THE HUMOR (8) 4. ELINVAR (2)

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

1. CONCLAVE (7) 2. LONGHORN (6) 3. SKIMTHEEXCESS (3)

In the first leg of the late Pick 4, I will try to get out of this race with just two horses. CONCLAVE (9-5) is the obvious horse to beat after being narrowly defeated by Asteri, who came back to win on the three-level raise. The Mitchell-trainee drops another peg but figures tough as long as he holds together. Main threat could be LONGHORN (6-1), a recent Monteleone claim (21% first off the claim) who is reunited with Espinoza and figures to snap back with a top effort today. Key these two on a pair of trifecta tickets.

Trifecta numbers: 6,7/6,7/ALL=\$18 and 6,7/ALL/6,7=\$18

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

1. TRIBAL CHIEF (2) (P6 SINGLE) 2. TWO TONE ROAN (4) 3. SIR BELL (8)

Stretching out after an even effort sprinting, TRIBAL CHIEF (6-1) looks like an excellent gamble in this spot. The Sadler-trained gelding should get a great trip from down inside and has trained extremely well since his comeback race. All systems say go. Make a **Win Bet on 'CHIEF** and key him in trifectas with logical contenders TWO TONE ROAN (9-2), who has been gelded and stretches out around two turns; and SIR BELL (3-1), narrowly defeated at this level last time.

Trifecta numbers: 2/4,8/ALL=\$12 and 2/ALL/4,8=\$12 and 4,8/2/ALL=\$12

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

**1. VICE ADMIRAL (5) (P6 SINGLE) 2. BALLESTERO (3) 3. MANDATE TO FLY (6)
4. IRON DUKE (4)**

Although VICE ADMIRAL (5-1) has never been a win machine (eight seconds from 12 starts), I think he's the horse to beat in this Cal-bred allowance spot. He was blocked from the 1/4-pole to mid-stretch when facing similar in his last start at Del Mar, so you can draw a line through that race. He's consistent and training super, so all he needs is a clean trip in order to beat this field. Make a **Win Bet on 'ADMIRAL** and key him in trifectas over BALLESTERO (9-2), IRON DUKE (12-1) and MANDATE TO FLY (15-1), then ALL for third. Play a second ticket using those three on top, with 'ADMIRAL second, then ALL for third. Finally, box my top four choices in the exacta/trifecta.

Trifecta numbers: 5/3,4,6/ALL=\$24 and 3,4,6/5/ALL=\$24

Exacta/Trifecta Box: 3-4-5-6

8th race--

1. MAGIC LABEL (4) 2. SODA POP SYD (9) 3. WARREN'S MYSTERY (8)

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

5th race--LONGHORN, CONCLAVE (Alternate: SKIMTHEEXCESS)

6th race--TRIBAL CHIEF, TWO TONE ROAN, SIR BELL (Alternate: LOST PARADISE)

7th race--BALLESTERO, IRON DUKE, VICE ADMIRAL, MANDATE TO FLY (Alternate: MORE ORE)

8th race--MAGIC LABEL, WARREN'S MYSTERY, SODA POP SYD (Alternate: HAPPYHOUR ATHEBRIG)

Pick 4 numbers: 6,7/2,4,8/3,4,5,6/4,8,9=\$72

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