

BOB IKE'S OAK TREE SELECTIONS

MONDAY, OCT. 8

MONDAY SELECTIONS, BETTING STRATEGY AND PICK 4 TICKET

Sunday Results: Hit 4 top choice winners; 9th race trifecta for \$212 (\$90 total investment) and exacta for \$53 (\$12 play).

Today's Best Plays: Races 6, 7, 8 and a \$72 Pick 4 ticket. Also, with the Pick Six carryover of more than \$567,000, I will give out two P6 "singles".

1st race--

1. CATEGORIZE (3) 2. LA SWING (5) 3. FEEL RIDGE (1A)

2nd race--

1. MAHALO LANI (2) 2. BLAZEITGIRL (4) 3. WRIT (7)

3rd race--

1. TALE OF THE SCALE (4) 2. PHOEBE'S SONG (2) 3. BLUSHING BEAR CAT (7) 4. FLOWER FUSION (8)

4th race--

1. PISTOL PETE AFLEET (6) 2. CAVANAUGH (2) 3. BOND (5) 4. CALL TRANSFER (9)

5th race--

1. PUBLICATION (5) (P6 SINGLE) 2. FLY DORCEGO (7) 3. BUSHWACKER (6)

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

1. POWEROFVOODOO (5) 2. KATORI (7) 3. ASTURIAS (2)

In will try to get out of this maiden turf event by using just two horses. Although POWEROFVOODOO (7-2) has had 13 previous chances, she is still the horse to beat in this modest spot. She has been second four times, including her last pair, but might be ready to break through with that elusive maiden victory. Double the race with KATORI (5-1), who stretches out and tries turf for the first time after two straight runner-up efforts in sprints. She is the main threat if she handles this game. I will key these two on a pair of trifecta tickets.

Trifecta numbers: 5,7/5,7/ALL=\$16 and 5,7/ALL/5,7=\$16

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

1. COMISSIONER GORDON (7) (P6 SINGLE) 2. SUIT YOURSELF (4) 3. TOPPER SHOPPER (3)

Although only eight go postward in this Cal-bred stakes, I think there is value in the race with top choice COMISSIONER GORDON (5-1). The Mullins-trainee has won two of three starts

and should get a great stalking trip from outside. His most recent bullet work in :58.4 signals his readiness. **Primary wager is a Win Bet on 'GORDON**, then key him on three trifecta tickets with logical contenders TOPPER SHOPPER (5-2) and SUIT YOURSELF (3-1).

Trifecta numbers: 7/3,4/ALL=\$12 and 7/ALL/3,4=\$12 and 3,4/7/ALL=\$12

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

1. SWEET BELLE (1) 2. TRICK'S PIC (10) 3. SOHGOL (2) 4. DOUBLE TROUBLE (3)

With original top pick Logan Avenue Linda "stuck" in the race (meaning that she will almost surely scratch), I will use my next four horses in an exacta and trifecta box. In post position order, use SWEET BELLE (5-1), who is a hard-knocking filly that goes back to turf and should be a stout threat from the bell; SOHGOL (10-1), who has been freshened, drops into a softer spot and shortens up in distance; DOUBLE TROUBLE (5-2), who had some trouble when the beaten favorite last time and figures close once again; and TRICK'S PIC (8-1), who returns West for Biancone and should fit very well in this context.

Exacta/Trifecta Box: 1-2-3-10

9th race--

1. EDEN SIMONE (11) 2. HOME ALONA (9) 3. O BEE NAKI (4)

*****\$72 PICK 4 TICKET (races 6-9):**

6th race--POWEROFVOODOO, KATORI (Alternate: ASTURIAS)

7th race--TOPPER SHOPPER, SUIT YOURSELF, COMMISSIONER GORDON (Alternate: NONE)

8th race--SWEET BELLE, SOHGOL, DOUBLE TROUBLE, TRICK'S PIC (Alternate: FLIP FLOP)

9th race--O BEE NAKI, HOME ALONA, EDEN SIMONE (Alternate: CHARLENESUPERBLEND)

Pick 4 numbers: 5,7/3,4,7/1,2,3,10/4,9,11=\$72

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