BOB IKE'S OAK TREE SELECTIONS WEDNESDAY, OCT. 24

WEDNESDAY SELECTIONS, BETTING STRATEGY AND PICK 4 PLAY

Sunday's Results: Hit 2 top choice winners but went 0-for-3 on my Best Plays.

Today's Best Plays: Races 3, 5, 8 and a \$48 Pick 4 ticket. Also, with a Pick Six carryover of more than \$142,000, I will give out two suggested P6 "singles".

1st race--

1. HIGH BRITE GOLDIE (6) 2. GUEST (3) 3. KENTUCKY WALTZ (5)

2nd race--

1. NORWAY HOUSE (5) 2. GOLD TRIM (4) 3. FIGHTING CITY HALL (1)

***3rd race--

1. OCEAN GRAND (5) 2. IMITATION (3) 3. SEEKING ANSWERS (4)

Although only seven go postward in the first leg of the Pick Six, I think there is value with OCEAN GRAND (5-1). Coming off a gutty victory over Stylin Cat (who came back to win his next start), 'GRAND was claimed by Ellis, who gives him a confident two-level class boost. He catches a paceless field (with the rails out 24 feet), so look for another wire-to-wire effort. **Primary play is a Win Bet on 'GRAND**, and key him in exacta boxes with logical contenders IMITATION (2-1) and SEEKING ANSWERS (3-1). **Exacta Boxes: 3-5 and 4-5**

4th race--**1. REGAL REDEMPTION (2) (P6 SINGLE)** 2. WILDCAT GIRL (10) 3. BLAZEITGIRL (8)

***5th race--

1. BOSTON CAT (3) 2. FIRE N' BRIMSTONE (6) 3. A. P. DOUBLE CAT (4) 4. BEL AIR SIZZLE (2)

In the first leg of the late Pick 4, I will play trifectas keying around top choice BOSTON CAT (9-5). The Biancone-trained juvenile filly comes off a runner-up try at Saratoga in a race where the winner came back to win again. 'CAT lugged in through the lane but finished six lengths clear of the third horse and probably only needs to run straight in order to defeat these. Play the trifecta keying 'CAT over BEL AIR SIZZLE (7-2), A. P. DOUBLE CAT (6-1) and FIRE N' BRIMSTONE (5-1) for second, then use ALL for third. Second ticket, use those three on top, with 'CAT for second, then ALL for third.

Trifecta numbers: 3/2,4,6/ALL=\$21 and 2,4,6/3/ALL=\$21

6th race--1. MORE DAYLIGHT (4) 2. GENERAL BUENO (6) 3. T. H. PRAISE (1)

7th race--

1. EXCESSIVE B AND B (6) (P6 SINGLE) 2. SHORT SENTENCE (1) 3. YO JOAN (2)

***8th race--

1. TOP IT OFF (10) 2. GETINTHEREONETIME (5) 3. WARREN'S SILLYCAT (1) 4. TEACHER'S RULE (9)

In a wide-open finale, I will key around price horse TOP IT OFF (8-1). The Matlow-trainee broke slowly first time and was blocked behind horses from the top of stretch to 1/8-pole before finishing okay and galloping out strongly past the wire. With that race under her belt and an extra half-furlong to work with, she could pull off a minor upset in this spot. Make a **Win Bet on 'OFF** and key her in the trifecta over five horses in the second and third spots: WARREN'S SILLYCAT (9-2), GETINTHEREONETIME (5-1), DIVINE HEAT (12-1), TEACHER'S RULE (7-2) and INTIMATE TALES (10-1). Also, play a second ticket using those five in the first and third spots, with 'OFF in the middle.

Trifecta numbers: 10/1,5,6,9,11/1,5,6,9,11=\$20 and 1,5,6,9,11/10/1,5,6,9,11=\$20

***\$48 PICK 4 TICKET (races 5-8):

5th race--BEL AIR SIZZLE, BOSTON CAT, A. P. DOUBLE CAT, FIRE N' BRIMSTONE (Alternate: AQUA) 6th race--MORE DAYLIGHT, GENERAL BUENO (Alternate: T. H. PRAISE) 7th race--EXCESSIVE B AND B 8th race--WARREN'S SILLYCAT, GETINTHEREONETIME, DIVINE HEAT, TEACHER'S RULE, TOP IT OFF, INTIMATE TALES (Alternate: DRAGON RISING) **Pick 4 numbers: 2,3,4,6/4,6/6/1,5,6,9,10,11=\$48**

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