

BOB IKE'S OAK TREE SELECTIONS

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 3

WEDNESDAY SELECTIONS, BETTING STRATEGY AND PICK 4 PLAY

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

Today's Best Plays: Races 3, 5, 8 and a \$72 Pick 4 ticket. Also, with the Pick Six carryover of more than \$121,000, I will give out two P6 "singles".

1st race--

1. TOY'S TOY (5) 2. AMERICA'S FRIEND (3) 3. TIZTUFF (6)

2nd race--

1. ANGEL CRAFT (3) 2. CHARMING LEGACY (2) 3. SURE SPEED (4) 4. TEMPERANCE (6)

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

1. ROADSIDE REST (11) 2. D. DOUBLE YOU (10) 3. CHECK THIS TOPPER (5)

In the first leg of the Pick 6, I will play the trifecta keying around my top three choices. In post position order, use CHECK THIS TOPPER (15-1), who was overmatched in a stakes last time but broke his maiden first time out at big odds under this rider; D. DOUBLE YOU (7-2), who was purchased privately after breaking his maiden at Calder over a sloppy track; and ROADSIDE REST (5-2), who graduated nicely from off the pace in his last start and should be tough to deny at this distance with a repeat effort.

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

4th race--

1. PRINCESS TRACI (8) 2. MYSTIC GEISHA (10) 3. ELLIE'S BUDDHA (6) 4. LOVE HAPPENS (1)

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

1. CHESTNUT CHIPS (11) 2. MISS MELISSA (6) 3. HOTITUDE (12)

In a difficult start to the late Pick 4, I will try to get out of this race with just two horses. Preference to CHESTNUT CHIPS (6-1), who has races that make her a stout threat and drops a level after being claimed by Monteleone, who hits at 20% first off the claim. She gets stable go-to rider Espinoza and figures to fire a good shot this time. Make a **Win Bet on 'CHIPS** and key her on a pair of trifecta tickets with main threat MISS MELISSA (5-1), who drops three class levels off a decent effort and looks like the one to fear most if she's okay.

Trifecta numbers: 6,11/6,11/ALL=\$20 and 6,11/ALL/6,11=\$20

6th race--

1. LEFT UNSAID (7) 2. CHANJO (2) 3. SPORTSBOOKJUNKEE (6) 4. SOUTHWEST (8)

7th race--

1. G. I. BETTY (1) (P6 SINGLE) 2. HIGH CHOLESTEROL (5) 3. CHARISMA MATTERS (6)

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

1. IN DADDY'S HONOR (1) (P6 SINGLE) 2. CHICKS RULE (2) 3. HIGHLAND TORREE (7)

In a competitive finale, I like the chances of recent Mitchell claim IN DADDY'S HONOR (7-2). The juvenile daughter of El Corredor ran head and head with easy winner Sindy Jacobson (who came back to romp again) before tiring in the final furlong. Getting a confident two-level boost off the claim, look for 'HONOR to be very hard to catch from her rail post. Make a **Win Bet on 'HONOR** and play the trifecta adding CHICKS RULE (6-1), who showed brief speed before tiring in her debut but drops in class and adds blinkers; and HIGHLAND TORREE (9-2), who shortens up and drops back in for a tag. She fits off her first race.

Trifecta numbers: 1,2,7/1,2,7/ALL=\$48 plus, trifecta box 1-2-7

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

5th race--MISS MELISSA, CHESTNUT CHIPS (Alternate: HOTITUDE)

6th race--CHANJO, SPORTSBOOKJUNKEE, LEFT UNSAID, SOUTHWEST (Alternate: STALEMATE)

7th race--G. I. BETTY, HIGH CHOLESTEROL, CHARISMA MATTERS (Alternate: BEYOND THE MARK)

8th race--IN DADDY'S HONOR, CHICKS RULE, HIGHLAND TORREE (Alternate: OUR STORM)

Pick 4 numbers: 6,11/2,6,7,8/1,5,6/1,2,7=\$72

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