

BOB IKE'S SANTA ANITA SELECTIONS

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FRIDAY SELECTIONS, BETTING STRATEGY AND PICK 4 TICKET

Thursday Results: Hit Best Play winner HOMEMADE BREW (\$5.60--9/2 ML) and 1st race trifecta for \$62 (\$36 investment); cold punched Daily Double (races 1-2) for \$17.40; and nailed 6th race trifecta for \$100 on a \$42 total investment.

Today's Best Plays: Races 4, 6, 9 and a \$72 Pick 4 ticket. Also, with a Pick Six carryover of more than \$82,000, I will give out two suggested P6 "singles".

1st race--

1. MORGAN LANE (4) 2. SCARLETT'S PLACE (3) 3. MINIMITE (2)

2nd race--

1. LONELY HIGHWAY (3) 2. GREGORIAN BAY (5) 3. INCLUSIVE (1) 4. BOUTROUS (6)

3rd race--

1. FLYING HOME (13) 2. CANDEYE LOU (1) 3. PHAR TOO FAST (5)

*****4th race--**

1. HELD UP (9) 2. DENNYBUCK (8) 3. RIVER REBEL (1)

In the first leg of the Pick Six, I will come right back with HELD UP (9-2). I liked him last time when he was a game winner for \$12,500 and this \$20,000 isn't all that much stronger. He likes to win races, has enough tactical speed to overcome the outside post, and enjoys a fight when hooked down the stretch. Make a **Win Bet on 'UP** and play the trifecta keying my top three choices in the first and second spots, then using ALL for third. In post position order, use RIVER REBEL (6-1), who was narrowly defeated by the top one last time; DENNYBUCK (7-2), who romped when facing softer at Oak Tree but gets at two-level raise here; and HELD UP (9-2).

Trifecta numbers: 1,8,9/1,8,9/ALL=\$42 plus, trifecta box 1-8-9

5th race--

1. SEMI LOST (3) (P6 SINGLE) 2. LIKE A TIGER (7) 3. STYLIN CAT (5)

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

1. WARREN'S SILLYCAT (13) 2. MY MALOOF ROCKER (2) 3. GAMES WE PLAY (9) 4. PERFECT HONEY (8)

The late Pick 4 kicks off with a competitive maiden claimer. I will play the race by boxing my top four selections in the exacta and trifecta. In post position order, use MY MALOOF ROCKER (3-1), who returns from Arizona, drops in class and goes back to sprinting on the main

track; PERFECT HONEY (20-1), who broke slowly when debuting against stronger and might do better on the drop; GAMES WE PLAY (10-1), who appeared on her way to victory last time before lugging out and tiring into the lane; and WARREN'S SILLYCAT (2-1), who comes off a runner-up try to similar and looks like the logical horse to beat.

Exacta/Trifecta Box: 2-8-9-13

7th race--

1. DR. AU JUS (1) (P6 SINGLE) 2. LIMESTONE EDGE (7) 3. PISTOL PETE AFLEET (6)

8th race--

1. BRITNEY HEAT (9) 2. TIZ A BLEND (1) 3. CHELCEE'S HOPE (4) 4. CELEBRATION (6)

*****9th race--**

1. AMERICAN SYMPHONY (4) 2. SOARING LAUREN (9) 3. NICOLE'S IMAGE (10)

In a difficult finale, I will make a **Win Bet on top choice AMERICAN SYMPHONY (5-1)** and play the trifecta keying around my top three runners. 'SYMPHONY started four times in New Mexico and now ships in to the O'Neill barn. She should fit at this bottom maiden claiming level. In the trifecta, use AMERICAN SYMPHONY (5-1); SOARING LAUREN (3-1), who comes off a solid runner-up try to similar and will be dangerous with a repeat effort; and NICOLE'S IMAGE (6-1), who chased a hot pace before tiring in a race that has produced two next-out winners.

Trifecta numbers: 4,9,10/4,9,10/ALL=\$48 plus, trifecta box 4-9-10

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

6th race--MY MALOOF ROCKER, PERFECT HONEY, GAMES WE PLAY, WARREN'S SILLYCAT

(Alternate: NONE)

7th race--DR. AU JUS, LIMESTONE EDGE

(Alternate: PISTOL PETE AFLEET)

8th race--TIZ A BLEND, CHELCEE'S HOPE, BRITNEY HEAT

(Alternate: CELEBRATION)

9th race--AMERICAN SYMPHONY, SOARING LAUREN, NICOLE'S IMAGE

(Alternate: ROMANTIC SUNSET)

Pick 4 numbers: 2,8,9,13/1,7/1,4,9/4,9,10=\$72

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