BOB IKE'S SANTA ANITA SELECTIONS SATURDAY, FEB. 16

SATURDAY SELECTIONS, BETTING STRATEGY AND PICK 4 TICKET

Friday Results: Hit 2 top choice winners, including Best Play winner SWISS DIVA (\$9.00); and 9th race trifecta for \$205 (\$60 total investment).

Today's Best Plays: Races 6, 7, 9 and a \$72 Pick 4 ticket. Also, with a Pick Six carryover of more than \$93,000, I will give out two suggested P6 "singles".

1st race--

1. DINE AT NINE (8) 2. STORMING SLEW (2) 3. BLAZEITGIRL (4) 4. JUDGE IN THE WEST (7)

2nd race--

1. VESPUCCI (5) 2. QUEST VENTURE (4) 3. UFFIZI (6)

3rd race--

1. QUEEN HOLLY (7) 2. IN DADDY'S HONOR (6) 3. CLASHOFSWORDS (5) 4. CLEVER LADY (3)

4th race--1. POLONIUS (5) 2. BELAFONTE (3) 3. SLAM SLEW (2) 4. D. DOUBLE YOU (1)

5th race--1. MANANAN MCLIR (6) 2. CAN'T STOP SLEW (3) 3. GHOST ACTOR (1) 4. GET OFF THE SUGAR (7)

***6th race--

1. BOOTED (8) (P6 SINGLE) 2. NOBLE COURAGE (9) 3. HOME OF THE GOLD (3) 4. WINE ON THE PORCH (4)

Although BOOTED (9-5) figures to be a very solid favorite in the race, I will try to get value by playing trifectas. The Mandella-trained comebacker has been away since a disappointing effort in the HP Juvenile back on July 4 but he showed tons of ability in his first start. He's trained well and catches a modest field, so key BOOTED over HOME OF THE GOLD (7-2), WINE ON THE PORCH (20-1) and NOBLE COURAGE (12-1) for second, then use ALL for third. Play a second ticket using those three on top, with BOOTED for second, then ALL for third. **Trifecta numbers: 8/3,4,9/ALL=\$24** and **3,4,9/8/ALL=\$24**

***7th race--1. STEFANI (7) 2. SHEBANG (9) 3. PETITE CHERIE (3) 4. GARDEN OF STARS (2) In a competitive downhill event, I will box my top four choices in the exacta and trifecta. In post position order, use GARDEN OF STARS (8-1), who has been disappointing in her last pair but catches a soft pace scenario and switches to turf for the first time; PETITE CHERIE (8-1), who didn't fire going long but her best race in this country was over this downhill layout on Oct. 18; STEFANI (7-2), who is two-for-two, having won both times in turf sprints; and SHEBANG (6-1), who has been away since a solid runner-up try in her U.S. debut back in April.

Exacta/Trifecta Box: 2-3-7-9

8th race--

1. JOHNNY EVES (6) (P6 SINGLE) 2. GREG'S GOLD (4) 3. CIRCULAR QUAY (3) 4. SURF CAT (5)

***9th race--

1. CATECLIPSE (10) 2. VICTORY VOODOO (6) 3. SUPER STRUT (7)

In a typically difficult turf contest, I will play the trifecta keying my top three selections in the first and second spots, then using ALL for third. In post position order, use VICTORY VOODOO (5-1), who has been away since Oct.'06 but is training exceptionally well and should be a threat from on or near the lead; SUPER STRUT (4-1), who drops into a claimer after having faced much stronger and last time was blocked behind horses through the final furlong; and CATECLIPSE (3-1), who faced much better in his two U.S. starts and should appreciate the softer company today.

Trifecta numbers: 6,7,10/6,7,10/ALL=\$60 plus, trifecta box 6-7-10

10th race--1. QUITE THE MAN (3) 2. TURKISH VICTORY (11) 3. MR. WARREN (5) 4. FOREST HAWK (8)

***\$72 PICK 4 TICKET (races 7-10):

7th race--GARDEN OF STARS, PETITE CHERIE, STEFANI, SHEBANG (Alternate: OUTOFTHEPAST) 8th race--JOHNNY EVES 9th race--VICTORY VOODOO, SUPER STRUT, CATECLIPSE (Alternate: SEEKING ANSWERS) 10th race--QUITE THE MAN, MR. WARREN, FOREST HAWK, FORGOTTEN ONE, TURKISH VICTORY, MISSILE EXPRESS (Alternate: BERTIE BOY) Pick 4 numbers: 2,3,7,9/6/6,7,10/3,5,8,9,11,14=\$72

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