

# BOB IKE'S SANTA ANITA SELECTIONS

## WEDNESDAY, FEB. 20

### WEDNESDAY SELECTIONS, BETTING STRATEGY AND PICK 4 PLAY

*Monday Results: Hit 3 top choice winners, including Best Play winner MEDJOOL (\$8.20) in 9th race.*

**Today's Best Plays: Races 5, 6, 8 and a \$54 Pick 4 ticket.**

1st race--

1. ZEE TOPPER (5) 2. HIGH SPEED GOLDIE (2) 3. BEAU GENI (4)

2nd race--

1. CARMAN (5) 2. ALL MONEY NO LOVE (2) 3. SECRET SHUTTLE (3)

3rd race--

1. BAND OF THUNDER (7) 2. HONORED IMAGE (8) 3. TOX DEE BEE (6) 4. APPEALING DREAM (1)

4th race--

1. DREWISMYSON (9) 2. BEAR MOUNTAIN (3) 3. RICKY EL CORREDOR (4) 4. THE FIREBIRD (8)

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

**1. HAVENS LAKE (7) 2. LOVE HAPPENS (10) 3. ALMACITA (1)**

In the first leg of the late Pick 4, I will key around top choice HAVENS LAKE (7-2). Coming off a runner-up try to similar starter allowance runners, 'LAKE might be more effective from slightly off the pace. She got caught inside battling for the lead in her last start but was very game in holding the place spot. (By the way, her listed trainer Ral Ayers is an assistant for Jeff Mullins, who is serving a 20-day suspension.) Make a **Win Bet on 'LAKE** and key her in the trifecta over ALMACITA (5-1) and LOVE HAPPENS (5-2) for second, then use ALL for third. Second ticket, use those two on top, with 'LAKE for second, then ALL for third. Finally, box all three in the exacta and trifecta.

**Trifecta numbers: 7/1,10/ALL=\$16      and      1,10/7/ALL=\$16**

**Exacta/Trifecta Box: 1-7-10**

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

**1. HAGGIS MACPHERSON (2) 2. DER VAN (5) 3. SWORD LEGEND (4)**

Same trifecta strategy as in the previous race. I will key around top choice HAGGIS MACPHERSON (7-5), who should be very tough to deny for Koriner on the big class drop. He comes off a third-place effort at the \$100K level and now dips in for \$32,000. Play the trifecta

keying 'MACPHERSON over SWORD LEGEND (7-2) and DER VAN (4-1) for second, then use ALL for third. Second ticket, use those two on top, with 'MACPHERSON for second, then ALL for third. Plus, exacta/trifecta box using all three.

**Trifecta numbers: 2/4,5/ALL=\$16 and 4,5/2/ALL=\$16**

**Exacta/Trifecta Box: 2-4-5**

7th race--

1. BRIAN THE BOLD (6) 2. STEVEN'S BEING (1) 3. SUPER HARMONY (3)

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

**1. WARREN'S SCOOTER (5) 2. TRACKER JACK (9) 3. BABU (3) 4. DEE'S FLING (14) 5. HEAVENS SNOW CHIEF (1)**

I will close out the card by keying my top two choices on a pair of trifecta tickets. WARREN'S SCOOTER (7-2) dropped to this level last time and finished second, well clear of the third horse. He figures to run well again under similar circumstances. TRACKER JACK (9-2) returns from the Bay Area where he ran well a couple of times in straight maiden races. He should fit very well in this softer claimer. Key these two and hope for some chaos to round out the tri.

**Trifecta numbers: 5,9/5,9/ALL=\$22 and 5,9/ALL/5,9=\$22**

**\*\*\*\$54 PICK 4 TICKET (races 5-8):**

**5th race--ALMACITA, HAVENS LAKE, LOVE HAPPENS**

(Alternate: QUID NON)

**6th race--HAGGIS MACPHERSON, SWORD LEGEND, DER VAN**

(Alternate: NATE)

**7th race--STEVEN'S BEING, SUPER HARMONY, BRIAN THE BOLD**

(Alternate: UNUSUAL TREASURE)

**8th race--WARREN'S SCOOTER, TRACKER JACK**

(Alternate: BABU)

**Pick 4 numbers: 1,7,10/2,4,5/1,3,6/5,9=\$54**

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