

BOB IKE'S SANTA ANITA SELECTIONS

FRIDAY, MAR. 14

FRIDAY SELECTIONS, BETTING STRATEGY AND PICK 4 TICKET

Thursday Results: Hit 5 top choice winners; two small trifectas; and Pick 4 for \$142 on a \$75 ticket.

Today's Best Plays: Races 5, 6, 8 and a \$72 Pick 4 ticket.

1st race--

1. CAN'T STOP SLEW (1) 2. MANANAN MCLIR (6) 3. PLAN FOR FUN (3) 4. NORWAY HOUSE (5)

2nd race--

1. STORMIN JACK (2) 2. BRAVE SUN (7) 3. STEALTH MISSILE (5)

3rd race--

1. PALOMA'S FLIGHT (4) 2. IMPROVISING GAL (8) 3. FAMOUS RUBY (9) 4. OVERT N OUT (2)

4th race--

1. LUCKY HONEY (4) 2. WILD AND READY (8) 3. BAZZOOM (5) 4. RIVER ROYAL (6)

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

1. CAMEL POINT (3) 2. MR GRUFF (2) 3. JUST JULIAN (4) 4. ONETIMEATBANDCAMP (6)

In a very competitive event for older maidens, I will give the edge to CAMEL POINT (4-1). The Cerin-trained colt comes off a fine runner-up effort in his debut and should fall into a great spot behind the early speedsters, so look for him to fire a big shot in here. Make a **Win Bet on 'POINT** and key him on a pair of trifecta tickets with main contenders MR GRUFF (3-1), JUST JULIAN (5-1) and ONETIMEATBANDCAMP (6-1).

Trifecta numbers: 3/2,4,6/ALL=\$18 and 2,4,6/3/ALL=\$18

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

1. VALLEY STORM (5) 2. CHARM N BROAD (2) 3. SUNDAY DRESS (3) 4. TUTTA BELLA (7)

In what looks like the best gambling race on the card, I will try comebacker VALLEY STORM (8-1). The older mare was sharp before going to the sidelines in May and the Gaines barn is excellent with layoff runners. She ran well in her only other start down the hill (narrow loss) and seems worth taking a short at a decent number. Make a **Win Bet on 'STORM** and key her on a

pair of trifecta plays with the following five horses: CHARM N BROAD (4-1), SUNDAY DRESS (5-1), TUTTA BELLA (7-2), CELEBRATION (6-1) and BRITNEY HEAT (5-1).

Trifecta numbers: 5/2,3,7,8,10/2,3,7,8,10=\$20 and 2,3,7,8,10/5/2,3,7,8,10=\$20

7th race--

1. BULLSBAY (1) 2. STELLA MARK (4) 3. BUC THE SPARTAN (6) 4. INCLUSIVE (3)

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

1. EXCESSIVE DREAMER (4) 2. ANZISONG (2) 3. YVETT'S PRIDE (1)

With a full field of Cal-bred maiden claimers going, the finale is a pretty decent wagering event. I will play the trifecta keying my top three runners in the first and second spots, then use ALL for third. In post position order, use YVETT'S PRIDE (3-1), who comes off a third-place effort in a highly-rated race vs. open company when making her first start in 10 months; ANZISONG (6-1), who comes back in a claimer for a new barn while making his first start since March; and EXCESSIVE DREAMER (5-2), who didn't handle the class raise last time but gets back at the MC\$40,000 level now.

Trifecta numbers: 1,2,4/1,2,4/ALL=\$54 plus, trifecta box 1-2-4

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

5th race--MR GRUFF, CAMEL POINT, JUST JULIAN, ONETIMEATBANDCAMP

(Alternate: CAT BRULAY)

6th race--CHARM N BROAD, SUNDAY DRESS, VALLEY STORM, TUTTA BELLA, CELEBRATION, BRITNEY HEAT

(Alternate: NONE)

7th race--BULLSBAY

(Alternate: STELLA MARK)

8th race--YVETT'S PRIDE, ANZISONG, EXCESSIVE DREAMER

(Alternate: STAR NICHOLAS)

Pick 4 numbers: 2,3,4,6/2,3,5,7,8,10/1/1,2,4=\$72

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