

BOB IKE'S SANTA ANITA SELECTIONS

EASTER SUNDAY, MAR. 23

SUNDAY SELECTIONS, BETTING STRATEGY AND PICK 4 TICKET

Saturday Results: Hit 7th race trifecta for \$163 on a \$40 total investment.

Today's Best Plays: Races 7, 8, 9 and a \$72 Pick 4 ticket.

1st race--

1. MISS CONNIE SUE (3) 2. NO KA OI (6) 3. TOO PHAR (1) 4. MOOGIE (7)

2nd race--

1. MA DEUCE (4) 2. SYNIN AND GRINNIN (1) 3. AMERICAN SYMPHONY (6)

3rd race--

1. NATIVE SUCCESS (2) 2. MI ARCOBALENO (4) 3. MR NAPPER TANDY (6)

4th race--

1. POINT PROVEN (4) 2. LOVELY OLIVIA (3) 3. BELLSBLADE (9) 4. NICOLE'S IMAGE (6)

5th race--

1. STRESS FREE (9) 2. GONE CALIFORNIAN (4) 3. SMOOCH (5) 4. KATISPSUBLUE (6)

6th race--

1. MADEO (8) 2. DAKOTA PADRE (1) 3. HANDSOME THOMAS (5)

*****7th race--**

1. LAVENDER SKY (1) 2. COSTUME (6) 3. BLACK MAMBA (2)

In a modest running of this year's Santa Ana, I think LAVENDER SKY (5-1) is ready to break out with her first stakes win. She comes off an odds-on victory vs. softer when winning in hand, but prior to that ran the best race of her career when finishing second to Wait a While. A repeat of that race is good enough to spring a minor upset. Make a **Win Bet on 'SKY** and key her on a pair of trifecta tickets with main threats BLACK MAMBA (3-1) and COSTUME (7-2). Also, **punch a cold Daily Double from 'SKY to my top choice BROUGHT IT in the next race.**

Trifecta numbers: 1/2,6/ALL=\$14 and 2,6/1/ALL=\$14

Daily Double: 1/8

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

1. BROUGHT IT (8) 2. ZILLA (1A) 3. STEPPIN OUT ROSE (4) 4. ALL SET (10)

In what looks to be the toughest race on the card, I will stick with razor sharp BROUGHT IT (5-1). The Monteleone-trained filly has won three in a row while stepping up in class each time. She should get a good stalking trip from outside and might be good enough to take another. **If not alive in the Double, then make a Win Bet on BROUGHT IT**, and key her on a pair of trifecta tickets with the following runners: CHOSEN ROYALTY/ZILLA (5-2 entry), OUTFOTHEPAST (12-1), STEPPIN OUT ROSE (4-1), PERSIAN HONEY (6-1) and ALL SET (8-1).

Trifecta numbers: 8/1,3,4,6,10/1,3,4,6,10=\$20 and 1,3,4,6,10/8/1,3,4,6,10=\$20

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

1. GOOD TIME SALLY (6) 2. CHANGE TACK (2) 3. MINI DO (1A) 4. CASSABLANCA (8)

Coming off a tough nose defeat last time over this layout, GOOD TIME SALLY (2-1) should be very tough to deny. Switching to dominant rider Gomez, the Walsh trainee was second to Lethal Heat, who came back to beat winners in her next start. I will play the trifecta tickets keying 'SALLY over MINI DO (6-1 entry), CHANGE TACK (10-1) and CASSABLANCA (4-1) for second, then use ALL for third. Play a second ticket using those three on top, with 'SALLY for second, then ALL for third.

Trifecta numbers: 6/1,2,8/ALL=\$24 and 1,2,8/6/ALL=\$24

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

6th race--DAKOTA PADRE, HANDSOME THOMAS, MADEO

(Alternate: SINCITY GLOW)

7th race--LAVENDER SKY

8th race--CHOSEN ROYALTY/ZILLA (entry), OUTFOTHEPAST, STEPPIN OUT ROSE, PERSIAN HONEY, BROUGHT IT, ALL SET

(Alternate: LOCHINVAR'S GOLD)

9th race--QUIET AT THE TOP/MINI DO (entry), CHANGE TACK, GOOD TIME SALLY, CASSABLANCA

(Alternate: ARTISTIC TALENT)

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

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