

# BOB IKE'S SANTA ANITA SELECTIONS

## SUNDAY, MAR. 9

### SUNDAY SELECTIONS, BETTING STRATEGY AND PICK 4 TICKET

*Saturday Results: Outstanding day yesterday, hitting Best Play winner ARIEGE (\$11.40); all three trifectas in Best Play races for \$106, \$66 and \$70 (twice); plus Pick 4 for \$319 on a \$72 ticket.*

**Today's Best Plays: Races 7, 8, 10 and a \$64 Pick 4 ticket.**

1st race--

1. STAR'S PROMISE (5) 2. CONCINNOUS (3) 3. BACKYARD PARTY (4)

2nd race--

1. ABSOLUTELY SMITTEN (8) 2. E BRADLEY (7) 3. SPANISH HEAT (1)

3rd race--

1. ROSHANI (3) 2. GULA GOLD (4) 3. SHERMEEN (1) 4. PERSIAN EXPRESS (6)

4th race--

1. IGRAINE (2) 2. G. I. BETTY (4) 3. CARESSIVE (3) 4. SCARLETT'S PLACE (6)

5th race--

1. SQUEEZE ME TIGHT (6) 2. MACADAMIA (5) 3. STEELIN' (2) 4. KALOOKAN YEAR (7)

6th race--

1. OUR ROAD SCHOLAR (9) 2. WILL DAISY DO (7) 3. ATA HONOUR (2) 4. TITAN QUEEN (8)

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

**1. ALMACITA (5) 2. IN DADDY'S HONOR (2) 3. SWEET ROSEMAN (3) 4. BEAU'S VALENTINE (6)**

With a number of shippers and a race that appears loaded with early this, this is a very difficult start to the late Pick 4. I will key around the two Mithcell-trained runners, who both seem to have the right style for this spot. Preference to ALMACITA (4-1), who veered out sharply from outside box to lose all chance when routing last time. She shortens back up in distance and broke her maiden nicely one race back. Make a **Win Bet on ALMACITA** and key her with stablemate IN DADDY'S HONOR (3-1), who has won two straight and learned to rate from off the pace last time under this bug boy. Key these two on a pair of trifecta tickets.

**Trifecta numbers: 2,5/2,5/ALL=\$14 and 2,5/ALL/2,5=\$14**

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

**1. GIANT GEM (9) 2. SANQUINE (8) 3. FOREST PRINCE (7) 4. ELUSIVE SCHEMES (3)**

In a wide-open maiden event coming down the hill, I will box my top four choices in the exacta/trifecta. In post position order, use ELUSIVE SCHEMES (12-1), who has shown route speed in his last pair but now shortens up and might take to the hill layout; FOREST PRINCE (7-2), who comes off a decent third behind his stablemate and tries turf for the first time; SANQUINE (5-1), a first-time starter from the C.Dollase barn that has trained in good style; and GIANT GEM (6-1), debuting for the Drysdale stable that is related to a number of good horses.

**Exacta/Trifecta Box: 3-7-8-9**

9th race--

**1. NASHOBA'S KEY (8) 2. ZENYATTA (6) 3. DOUBLE TROUBLE (2)**

**\*\*\*10th race--**

**1. MARK SET GO (6) 2. KEY ROSE (10) 3. BRITNEY HEAT (12) 4. TRICK A CAT (9)**

In the finale, I will close out the day by keying around top choice MARK SET GO (4-1). The Walsh-trainee came back from a year layoff with an even try sprinting and now looks perfectly legged up to stretch out and win. She worked well since her last and has won routing on turf. Make a **Win Bet on 'GO** and key her on a pair of trifecta tickets with main contenders TRICK A CAT (7-2), KEY ROSE (6-1) and BRITNEY HEAT (4-1). Also, make a four-horse exacta/trifecta box with my top choices.

**Trifecta numbers: 6/9,10,12/ALL=\$27      and      9,10,12/6/ALL=\$27**

**Exacta/Trifecta Box: 6-9-10-12**

**\*\*\*\$64 PICK 4 TICKET (races 7-10):**

**7th race--IN DADDY'S HONOR, ALMACITA**

(Alternate: SWEET ROSEMAN)

**8th race--ELUSIVE SCHEMES, FOREST PRINCE, SANQUINE, GIANT GEM**

(Alternate: SAVVY AND SMOOTH)

**9th race--ZENYATTA, NASHOBA'S KEY**

(Alternate: DOUBLE TROUBLE)

**10th race--MARK SET GO, TRICK A CAT, KEY ROSE, BRITNEY HEAT**

(Alternate: READY MAID)

**Pick 4 numbers: 2,5/3,7,8,9/6,8/6,9,10,12=\$64**

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