BOB IKE'S SANTA ANITA SELECTIONS THURSDAY, MAR. 20

THURSDAY SELECTIONS, BETTING STRATEGY AND PICK 4 TICKET

Monday Results: Went 0-for-3 on my Best Plays.

Today's Best Plays: Races 6, 7, 8 and a \$36 Pick 4 ticket. Also, with a Pick Six carryover of more than \$699,000, I will give out two suggested P6 "singles".

1st race--

1. DULCE MARIA (2) 2. I CATHERINE (6) 3. LITTLE YOGI (9) 4. GOLD GODDESS (5)

2nd race--

1. GALLARDO (1) 2. SACRED LIGHT (4) 3. KING PALM (5)

3rd race--

1. WICKEDNWACKYINGRID (6) (P6 SINGLE) 2. GENTLE AUDREY (2) 3. YASINISI (1)

4th race--

1. INAHEARTBEAT (4) 2. COMPARACION (1) 3. ABBEY CAT (8) 4. PIRATE'S CHARM (6)

5th race--

1. JUNE MY LOVE (4) 2. FLAMINGO PRINCESS (1) 3. PRINCESS ARJUMAND (8)

***6th race--

1. REMEMBER BOFFI (5) 2. QUITYERBELLYACHING (9) 3. BYJOHN (3) 4. SCOTT'S POPPY (2)

With a full field of sophomore claimers going postward, I will play the trifecta keying my top three choices in the first and second spots, then use ALL for third. In post position order, use BYJOHN (5-1), who encountered traffic trouble in mid-stretch or probably would have won last time at 19-1 when making his first start for Periban; REMEMBER BOFFI (3-1), who takes a steep class drop but probably is the horse to beat if okay; and QUITYERBELLYACHING (4-1), who has run well in his last two starts and will get plenty of pace to set up his late run.

Trifecta numbers: 3,5,9/3,5,9/ALL=\$54 plus, trifecta box 3-5-9

***7th race--

1. TROPICAL BID (4) (P6 SINGLE) 2. LETHAL HEAT (6) 3. BRIAN'S MARK (3) 4. MILITARY BRIDE (9)

In by far the best gambling race on the card, I will key my day around top choice TROPICAL BID (5-1). The Sise-trained filly wanted no part of going two turns last time but shortens back up to a sprint today. She ran a very good second over this layout one race back (behind talented Passion, who came back to win again) and should fall into an ideal spot here. Make a **Win Bet on 'BID** and key her on a pair of trifecta tickets with the following five horses: BRIAN'S MARK (12-1), BILLIE BOB (6-1), LETHAL HEAT (7-2), SUNSET TIJUANA (10-1) and MILITARY BRIDE (8-1).

Trifecta numbers: 4/3,5,6,8,9/3,5,6,8,9=\$20 and 3,5,6,8,9/4/3,5,6,8,9=\$20

***8th race--

1. DANNY TEMPLETON (1) 2. MR. LOGAN (3) 3. IN THE DAY (12) 4. EL VIC (13)

Although there is not great value in this maiden claimer, at least there is a large field, which is half the battle on today's card. I will play a pair of trifecta tickets keying favorite DANNY TEMPLETON (5-2) with MR. LOGAN (3-1), IN THE DAY (9-2) and EL VIC (4-1). Top choice 'TEMPLETON has run well in his last two starts over this track, showing speed before tiring late. He returns to the MC\$25,000 level and should be hard to catch going 5 1/2 furlongs from the inside.

Trifecta numbers: 1/3,12,13/ALL=\$30 and 3,12,13/1/ALL=\$30

***\$36 PICK 4 TICKET (races 5-8):

5th race--FLAMINGO PRINCESS, JUNE MY LOVE, PRINCESS ARJUMAND

(Alternate: STORMING SLEW)

6th race--BYJOHN, REMEMBER BOFFI, QUITYERBELLYACHING

(Alternate: SCOTT'S POPPY) **7th race--**TROPICAL BID

8th race--DANNY TEMPLETON, MR. LOGAN, IN THE DAY, EL VIC

(Alternate: WILD MCDREAMIE)

Pick 4 numbers: 1,4,8/3,5,9/4/1,3,12,13=\$36

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