BOB IKE'S SANTA ANITA SELECTIONS FRIDAY, APR. 4

FRIDAY SELECTIONS, BETTING STRATEGY AND PICK 4 TICKET

Thursday Results: Huge day! Hit 3 top choice winners; 5th race trifecta for \$37 (\$40 investment), 7th race trifecta (twice) for return of \$391 (\$56 investment) and 8th race trifecta for \$301 (\$40 investment); and nailed late Pick 4 for \$521 on a \$54 ticket.

Today's Best Plays: Races 6, 7, 8 and a \$72 Pick 4 ticket.

1st race--

1. REGARDLESOFOUTCOME (8) 2. IWINFORLYNN (9) 3. MAKING DREAMS (10)

2nd race--

1. POLISH PETE (3) 2. C R CAPER (1) 3. SKYSPY (5) 4. GRYLLS (7)

3rd race--

1. COMOROS (6) 2. DEWEY'S SPECIAL (4) 3. FANTASTIC MEETING (5) 4. CREDIBILITY (2)

4th race--

1. INDIANSKI (1) 2. PURR FOR ME (8) 3. BUILT FOR THEDERBY (9)

5th race--

1. GOLD DATNOID (3) 2. RED NECK GAL (2) 3. DINE AT NINE (8) 4. ANNIE OAKLEAF (4)

***6th race--

1. KING CITY KITTY (9) 2. JUST N EXCESS (8) 3. WARREN'S R READY (1) 4. WENDYTHETHIEF (7)

In a very difficult Cal-bred maiden event, I will take a shot with KING CITY KITTY (6-1). Away since a very troubled debut effort last May, 'KITTY was claimed out of the race by Hess, who brings her back in a straight maiden event. She showed some ability that day and shows a bullet work for return, so make a **Win Bet on 'KITTY** and key her on a pair of trifecta tickets with the following five runners: WARREN'S R READY/WARREN'S MONARCHOS (5-1 entry), HIGH PERFORMANCE (12-1), LITTLE GYPSY (7-2), WENDYTHETHIEF (8-1) and JUST N EXCESS (9-2).

Trifecta numbers: 9/1,5,6,7,8/1,5,6,7,8=\$20 and 1,5,6,7,8/9/1,5,6,7,8=\$20

***7th race--

1. LUCKY J. H. (1) 2. CHEROOT (6) 3. UNUSUAL SUSPECT (8) 4. MCCANN'S MOJAVE (2)

This year's Sensational Star for Cal-breds coming down the hill is a very challenging affair. I will give the edge to LUCKY J. H., who comes off a close third routing and will now try the hillside for the initial time. The hard-pulling horse might find this layout perfect for his style, and he will get a target to chase in likely pacesetter High Standards. I will play a pair of trifecta tickets keying 'J. H. with MCCANN'S MOJAVE (7-2), CHEROOT (5-1), UNUSUAL SUSPECT (6-1) and HIGH STANDARDS (6-1). Also, punch a cold Daily Double from 'J. H. to my top pick in the next race.

Trifecta numbers: 1/2,6,8,9/2,6,8,9=\$12 and 2,6,8,9/1/2,6,8,9=\$12

Daily Double: 1/9

***8th race--

1. NOBLE COURAGE (9) 2. WINK AT THE GIRLS (12) 3. OSCEOLA PRINCE (5) 4. LOUIE TRE (11)

In what appears to be the best gambling race on the card, I will key around price horse NOBLE COURAGE (10-1). The sophomore colt ran well when stretching out in only his second start, settling for second after holding a clear lead in mid-stretch. Shortening back up to a sprint, the Kitchingman trainee should be set for his best. **If not alive in the Daily Double, then make a Win Bet on 'COURAGE**. Key him on a pair of trifectas with main contenders OSCEOLA PRINCE (10-1), LOUIE TRE (8-1) and WINK AT THE GIRLS (4-1). Finally, box my top four choices in the exacta/trifecta.

Trifecta numbers: 9/5,11,12/ALL=\$36 and 5,11,12/9/ALL=\$36

Exacta/Trifecta Box: 5-9-11-12

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

5th race--RED NECK GAL, GOLD DATNOID, DINE AT NINE

(Alternate: ANNIE OAKLEAF)

6th race--WARREN'S R READY/WARREN'S MONARCHOS (entry), HIGH

PERFORMANCE, LITTLE GYPSY, WENDYTHETHIEF, JUST N EXCESS, KING CITY

KITTY

(Alternate: BONDI BABE) **7th race--**LUCKY J. H.

8th race--OSCEOLA PRINCE, NOBLE COURAGE, LOUIE TRE, WINK AT THE GIRLS

(Alternate: KILDERRY)

Pick 4 numbers: 2,3,8/1,5,6,7,8,9/1/5,9,11,12=\$72

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