BOB IKE'S SANTA ANITA SELECTIONS MONDAY, MAR. 24

MONDAY SELECTIONS, BETTING STRATEGY AND PICK 4 TICKET

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

Today's Best Plays: Races 4, 7, 8 and a \$63 Pick 4 ticket.

1st race--

1. TIZ WEST (4) 2. LUCIUS ANTONIUS (3) 3. RATE OF CHANGE (8)

2nd race--

1. ONE ONLY (6) 2. WARRENS FLYIN HIGH (7) 3. DUSTY TRAIL (3) 4. URBINA (4)

3rd race--

1. ESSENCE OF CHARM (1) 2. SILENT KITTEN (7) 3. SNOOTY GAL (3) 4. ATA HONOUR (2)

***4th race--

1. ROYAL HERALDRY (3) 2. LAKE MARINA (8) 3. ROLLERSKATES (5) 4. LE CIRQUE (7)

It's not often that first-level allowance runners get the chance to go 10 furlongs, so this is an interesting heat. I like the chances of ROYAL HERALDRY (6-1), a hard trying but troubled filly from the Glatt barn. She's never won on turf but has had trouble in a number of races, including last time when she was hopelessly blocked from mid-stretch to inside the 1/16-pole. Although she has no speed (over a course that has been favoring front-runners) and the rails are out 30 feet, she still has an excellent chance with a clean trip. I will make a **Win Bet on 'HERALDRY** and Wheel her in the trifecta over the other seven runners. Also, play the exacta back wheeling her in the second spot.

Trifecta numbers: 3/ALL/ALL=\$42 Exacta numbers: ALL/3

5th race--1. HEAVENS SNOW CHIEF (10) 2. SCOTTY JONES (1) 3. CAPTAIN'S TURN (4)

6th race--1. FOREST DANZ (9) 2. IZA GENERAL (8) 3. INDIAN WEAVER (7)

***7th race--

1. D. DOUBLE YOU (7) 2. BELAFONTE (4) 3. ENACTMENT (9) 4. CARDINAL ZIN (6)

In a good downhill turf sprint, I give the edge to favorite D. DOUBLE YOU (2-1). The Millertrained colt comes off a third-place finish in the Baldwin and beat similar NW/MC foes one back (he gets to run at the same level today because he is entered for the optional claiming tag today). I will play a pair of trifecta tickets keying 'YOU over the following five horses: DEVILS AFLEET (8-1), BELAFONTE (7-2), CARDINAL ZIN (8-1), ENACTMENT (12-1) and PROCESSOR'S TURF (6-1).

Trifecta numbers: 7/3,4,6,9,10/3,4,6,9,10=\$20 and 3,4,6,9,10/7/3,4,6,9,10=\$20

***8th race--

1. PATHBREAKING (2) 2. BETTIN AN SWEATIN (5) 3. KIELBASA (7) 4. WARRENS ATTACK CAT (6)

In what looks to be the most wide-open race on the card, I will take a shot with price horse PATHBREAKING (12-1). The Mullins-trained gelding had to need his last when making his first start in nearly 18 months but ran okay when prepping down the hill. He stretches out in distance and switches back to the main track, which is what he wants to do. Make a **Win/Place Bet on PATHBREAKING** and key him in trifectas with six other contenders: SURF ACADEMY (5-1), BETTIN AN SWEATIN (5-2), WARRENS ATTACK CAT (8-1), KIELBASA (8-1), THE BIREBIRD (10-1) and DEE'S FLING (6-1).

Trifecta numbers: 2/1,5,6,7,8,9/1,5,6,7,8,9=\$30 and 1,5,6,7,8,9/2/1,5,6,7,8,9=\$30

***\$63 PICK 4 TICKET (races 5-8):

5th race--SCOTTY JONES, CAPTAIN'S TURN, HEAVENS SNOW CHIEF (Alternate: KAILEE RUSH)
6th race--INDIAN WEAVER, IZA GENERAL, FOREST DANZ (Alternate: JEALOUS PROFIT)
7th race--D. DOUBLE YOU
8th race--SURF ACADEMY, PATHBREAKING, BETTIN AN SWEATIN, WARRENS ATTACK CAT, KIELBASA, THE FIREBIRD, DEE'S FLING (Alternate: DEPRIVE)
Pick 4 numbers: 1,4,10/7,8,9/7/1,2,5,6,7,8,9=\$63

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