

BOB IKE'S HOLLYWOOD PARK SELECTIONS

WEDNESDAY, MAY 7

WEDNESDAY SELECTIONS, BETTING STRATEGY AND PICK 4 PLAY

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

Today's Best Plays: Races 1, 6, 8 and a \$49 Pick 4 ticket.

***1st race--

1. STAR NICHOLAS (6) 2. DEVIL MAKER (8) 3. PEACE PROSPECT (2)

It's not often that I dive into the first race on the card but it looks like today's opener offers some value. I will play the trifecta keying my top three choices in the first and second spots, then using ALL for third. In post position order, use PEACE PROSPECT (5-1), who drops into a claimer for the first time and has trained in good style over this track for a barn that is due to heat up; STAR NICHOLAS (5-2), the deserving favorite who comes off two solid efforts and drops back in for a tag now; and DEVIL MAKER (6-1), who exits the best races, has speed, drops and is drawn well outside.

Trifecta numbers: 2,6,8/2,6,8/ALL=\$36 plus, trifecta box 2-6-8

2nd race--

1. QUEEN OF THE DERBY (10) 2. ANNIE OAKLEAF (9) 3. DRASTIC TACTICS (6) 4. HELMSGOLD (8)

3rd race--

1. TOPAZ MOON (7) 2. TRIPPED THE LIGHT (1) 3. BACKSTROKE (5) 4. E BEE GIRL (4)

4th race--

1. SACRED LIGHT (5) 2. POTENTIAL (1) 3. ROCKY ROAD (7)

5th race--

1. TROPIC STORM (5) 2. SCAT THIEF (3) 3. ALL MAN (6) 4. DECLAN'S MOON (4)

***6th race--

1. ADHERE (6) 2. NEAR SIGHTED (7) 3. RUSSIAN LIQUOR (5) 4. TRIBAL DEAL (4)

In what looks like a competitive maiden claimer, I will give the edge to morning line favorite ADHERE (3-1). He responded to the class drop with a fine runner-up try (racing along deeper inside) at Santa Anita and looks like the one to beat if he repeats that effort over the HP Cushion Track. I will play a pair of trifecta tickets keying ADHERE with the following six runners: IVMADAHUGEMISTKE (5-1), TRIBAL DEAL (8-1), RUSSIAN LIQUOR (4-1), NEAR SIGHTED (6-1), CARMENS EXCESS (5-1) and also-eligible WARREN'S OPERATOR (10-1).

Trifecta numbers: 6/2,4,5,7,9,14/2,4,5,7,9,14=\$30 and 2,4,5,7,9,14/6/2,4,5,7,9,14=\$30

7th race--

1. CEDAR MOUNTAIN (3) 2. SUPER STRUT (1) 3. SOUPY (2) 4. BOOMING COMPS (4)

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

1. ARROYO TRABUCO (11) 2. BEWITCHING BARTOK (4) 3. WARREN'S SECRET (16) 4. CAPT. WILSON (5)

Bottom level claimers to close out the card. I will give the edge to steep dropper ARROYO TRABUCO (4-1), who clearly looks like the speed of the field and should wire this group if he's 75% right. The pattern is not good but the Ellis barn has been hot and 'TRABUCO has shown a liking for this oval. **Make a Win Bet at 7/2 or better**, and key 'TRABUCO on a pair of trifecta tickets with the following six runners: BEWITCHING BARTOK (7-2), CAPT. WILSON (20-1), QUIET PERIOD (8-1), SI CHIMI (5-1), MAMMOTH POWER (15-1) and WARREN'S SECRET (8-1).

**Trifecta numbers: 11/4,5,6,10,12,16/4,5,6,10,12,16=\$30 and
4,5,6,10,12,16/11/4,5,6,10,12,16=\$30**

*****\$49 PICK 4 TICKET (races 5-8):**

5th race--TROPIC STORM

6th race--IVEMADAHUGEMISTKE, TRIBAL DEAL, RUSSIAN LIQUOR, ADHERE, NEAR SIGHTED, CARMENS EXCESS, WARREN'S OPERATOR

(Alternate: NONE)

7th race--CEDAR MOUNTAIN

8th race--BEWITCHING BARTOK, CAPT. WILSON, QUIET PERIOD, SI CHIMI, ARROYO TRABUCO, MAMMOTH POWER, WARREN'S SECRET

(Alternate: JEALOUS PROFIT)

Pick 4 numbers: 5/2,4,5,6,7,9,14/3/4,5,6,10,11,12,16=\$49

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