SANTA ANITA
Saturday, 4/3/21

BEST BET: 2 DREAM SHAKE (8TH)
LONGSHOT: 3 SOOTHSAY (6TH)
LIKELY: 3 THE CHOSEN VRON (12TH)

RACE 1	PICK 5	$300
2,5,6,7,8 * 1,3,4,6		
1,2,7 * 3,5 * 1,2,4,6,7		

RACE 7	PICK 6	$294
2,7 * 2,3,6,7,10 * 1,3,4		
1,2,3,4,5,6,9 * 1,2,3,6,8,9,11 * 3		

Track Phantom

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1 – SANTA ANITA (12:00 PT) — 47
MSW 76K, 1M TURF

6 SHEZAGHOST	7-2	VALDIVIA
2 CINNTE WINNTE	4-1	RISPOLI
8 CRAZY SPEIGHTY	5-2	HERNANDEZ
5 LADY CROCKER	10-1	CEDILLO

PICK: 6 SHEZAGHOST
Trainer Mike Puype has had a superb meeting and he has gone to Valdivia quite a lot. This one just ran even in the debut on the grass but the breeding is more for routes than sprints so it wasn't surprising he ran well in last. Blinkers on (21% for Puype). Good works here.

VALUE: 5 LADY CROCKER
She hasn't lived up to her pedigree yet. Dam was a 2x Grade 2 winner on the grass for 715k for these same connections. Sib Curlin's Fox was a stakes winner on the grass also for these connections. Was likely set to run better in last but was shuffled out of the race late.

A) 2,6   B) 5,7,8   C) 1,3

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2 – SANTA ANITA (12:33 PT) — 55
STARTER ALLW 50K, 1M DIRT

1 PUBILIUS SYRUS	3-1	HERNANDEZ
4 ZESTFUL	5-2	MALDONADO
3 KING ABNER	6-1	PYFER
6 KERSHAW	2-1	PRAT

PICK: 1 PUBILIUS SYRUS
Trainer/owner lost this one for 12,500 but claimed him back for twice that price next time out. It turned out a good reclaim as he won the next two and would have won last out but started to run too late. He's 4 for 5 at this distance. 4th by 12 in last came back to win at 20k.

VALUE: 3 KING ABNER
Just one start since June and it was just an even run at 15-1. Multiple graded stakes placed runner gets the strong apprentice rider up and drops 9 pounds from last start. 6 for 8 in the money at the distance. D'Amato pretty good off of layoff of this length. Sharp 3/21 drill.

A) 1,4   B) 3,6   C) 2,5,7

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3 – SANTA ANITA (1:06 PT) — 61
ALLW 78K, 6F TURF

7 CITY RAGE	5-2	PRAT
1 RAGER	8-1	VELAZQUEZ
2 I WILL NOT	3-1	GUTIERREZ
4 BEST CHANCE	5-1	BAZE

PICK: 7 CITY RAGE
Hasn't run a bad race in quite some time. He has two wins and five straight in the money, all on the turf. He seemed to improve on the cutback to a sprint in last 2 starts. He's been in the exacta in 5 of 10 on this turf course. Prat adds to appeal. Might be the one to beat.

VALUE: 1 RAGER
Trainer is having a strong meet with nearly half of his runners in the money with 5 wins. Was 3rd to City Rage two back when breaking from the rail. 4th start off a long layoff. He should be able to save ground from the inside and close in late. Velazquez up here. Adds value.

A) 1,2,7   B) 4,6   C) 3,5

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4 – SANTA ANITA (1:39 PT) — 79
MSW 76K, 6.5F DIRT

3 TODAY'S FLAVOR	3-1	GUTIERREZ
5 BOBBY BO	9-5	PRAT
1 SECRET WEAPON	6-1	RISPOLI
6 BENDER	5-1	PYFER

PICK: 3 TODAY'S FLAVOR
Most of the best runners in the female family were at their best at 6.5F to 1M on the dirt. Firster has gotten the attention of clockers similar to the Baffert runner, Bobby Bo. O'Neill 3 wins, 2 close runner-up finishes from 5 firsters on dirt in MSW at 6.5F – 7F for Reddam.

VALUE: 1 SECRET WEAPON
Expensive colt has a very strong pedigree. He may be better with a bit more distance but he has a few quick works, draws the rail and has Rispoli aboard. Trainer Simon Callaghan is 11 for 45 (24%) with a 1st timer in MSW on dirt sprinting. Expecting a minor award today.

A) 3,5   B) 1,6   C) 2,4,7

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5 – SANTA ANITA (2:14 PT) — 59
PROVIDENCIA STAKES-G3 100K, 1M 1/8 TURF

1 SENSIBLE CAT	6-1	HERNANDEZ
2 QUATTROELLE	7-2	BAZE
4 GOING GLOBAL	6-5	PRAT
6 CLOSING REMARKS	3-1	RISPOLI

PICK: 1 SENSIBLE CAT
Only loss since stretching out was two back when she stumbled badly at the start as a 2-1 favorite. She also had a wide trip and may have bled since she got Lasix for the first time last out. Hernandez undefeated in 2 starts aboard her. Good run from rail in her last start.

VALUE: 2 QUATTROELLE
Decent comeback try in the China Doll as the second favorite. Baze took her out for the drive and she was able to pass some late. Baze less than a length prior to being 3 for 3 on her. Thought she overcame a slow pace to win 2 back. Gets the right pace to run into here.

A) 1,2,4   B) 6,7   C) 3,5

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6 – SANTA ANITA (2:48 PT) — 64
SANTA ANITA OAKS-G2 400K, 1M 1/16 DIRT

3 SOOTHSAY	6-1	PRAT
1 MORAZ	8-5	RISPOLI
4 JAVANICA	5-2	SMITH
5 BEAUTIFUL GIFT	9-5	VELAZQUEZ

PICK: 3 SOOTHSAY
Mandella rarely has them cranked up for the 1st start so when they win with something left like this one did they are usually doing it on their own. Mandella in the money 4 of 7 with second time starter in a stakes. The clockers impressed with that 6F work coming into this.

VALUE: 4 JAVANICA
She tried males in the El Camino up north last out and nearly got the job done. The winner had been second by less than a length in G1 two starts prior. Godolphin runner has been 2nd in four straight and all were a bit better. Sib Antoinette 2x graded stakes placed on dirt.

A) 1,3   B) 4,5   C) 2

7 – SANTA ANITA (3:32 PT) 73
ALLW 78K, 1M 1/8 TURF

7 RIP CITY	8-5	GUTIERREZ
2 CLUB ASPEN	8-1	VELAZQUEZ
8 COAST OF ROAN	7-2	RISPOLI
4 MOTOWN MUSIC	4-1	HERNANDEZ

PICK: 7 RIP CITY
Puype really has this one in razor sharp form. He was closest to the blazing pace in last but still kept going trying to run down the 1-2 favorite who got loose. 5th and 6th two back won next out. 3rd was hit the board in G2 San Marcos at 20-1. Is well-spotted condition-wise.

VALUE: 2 CLUB ASPEN
9-1 winner of the King Glorious 8 starts ago. He ran ok in two route turf starts since but didn't have much in the late stages in last. Huge rider move to Velazquez in here. Think last wasn't a true representation of his talent. Likely takes way back here and makes one run.

A) 7   B) 1,2,4,8   C) 3,5,6

8 – SANTA ANITA (4:15 PT) 82
SANTA ANITA DERBY-G1 750K, 1M 1/8 DIRT

2 DREAM SHAKE	7-2	PRAT
3 ROCK YOUR WORLD	4-1	RISPOLI
7 MEDINA SPIRIT	5-2	VELAZQUEZ
6 OTTOTHELEGEND	12-1	GUTIERREZ

PICK: 2 DREAM SHAKE
Eurton runners tend to improve start over start. This one ran well in the San Felipe considering it was just his second start and first routing. He made a middle move before tiring late. 2nd dam Brownie Points was a millionaire, great on dirt or turf. Should improve here.

VALUE: 3 ROCK YOUR WORLD
Certainly has a deep turf pedigree but unsure how he will handle the dirt. Every one of the better runs in the tree were turf runners. Has worked well on the dirt in preparation for this. Both starts showed big class and talent. Is dangerous if he handles the surface switch.

A) 2,3,7   B) 6,10   C) 4,5,8,9

9 – SANTA ANITA (4:46 PT) 61
ROYAL HEROINE STAKES-G2 200K, 1M TURF

3 CHARMAINE'S MIA	8-5	PRAT
1 DOGTAG	8-1	RISPOLI
4 WARREN'S SHOWTIME	8-1	HERNANDEZ
2 TAPWATER	6-1	SMITH

PICK: 3 CHARMAINE'S MIA
She really burst on the scene in So Cal when moved to D'Amato before the 16-1 upset two back. She was just as sharp in the win last time out stretching out to 1M. Removing Lasix hasn't had a negative effect. Clockers stated she's worked better than ever. Is tough yet again.

VALUE: 1 DOGTAG
Mandella gave her a shot on the dirt in last but wasn't as sharp as she had been previously on turf. Good to see Rispoli stick with her as he was up for the victory 3 back. Clocker reports are strong on her worktab for this. Will appreciate move back to her favorite surface.

A) 3   B) 1,2,4   C) 5,6,7,8

10 – SANTA ANITA (5:17 PT) 37
EVENING JEWEL STAKES 150K, 6.5F DIRT

6 DYLANS WILD CAT	10-1	GUTIERREZ
9 PRAY FOR MY OWNER	3-1	BAZE
5 BECCA TAYLOR	5-2	PRAT
3 FI FI PHAROAH	6-1	SMITH

PICK: 6 DYLANS WILD CAT
Comes off about 2.5 month layoff. Trainer Neil French has a few wins with comebackers of this kind. Back to the winning rider Gutierrez. Based on her runs, move back to 6.5F here might be the right distance. Winner 2 back the top choice in the 5th race today, a G3 stakes.

VALUE: 3 FI FI PHAROAH
Interesting spot for this Cal-bred as still a maiden and is getting Mike Smith up. She is well-bred as the dam won nearly 500k and was a 3x Cal-bred stakes winner about 6,7 years ago. She worked strongly at SLR prior to and after the maiden start. Tossing her in the exotics.

A) 5,6,9   B) 1,2,3,4   C) 7,8

11 – SANTA ANITA (5:48 PT) 33
ALLW 78K, 1M TURF

6 APPLECROSS	5-1	VELAZQUEZ
1 GOOD ON PAPER	8-1	CEDILLO
11 NOBLE HEARTED	4-1	PRAT
9 NICE ICE	7-2	BAZE

PICK: 6 APPLECROSS
Velazquez was aboard 3 back when she closed well to get 5th beaten less than two in the stakes race. Had to go 5-wide last out. She seemed to respond well to the blinkers added in there. Appears to be enough pace for her late run. Looks overdue to win here in the U.S.

VALUE: 1 GOOD ON PAPER
Her last start (back in Jan) is better than it may look. She was attempting to close into a very slow pace in there. Top 2 finishers were traveling right on the slow pace. Comes in with 3 decent works for a trainer who normally connects at a higher rate. Should be a price.

A) 1,6,9,11   B) 2,3   C) 4,5,7,8,10,12

12 – SANTA ANITA (6:19 PT) 85
ECHO EDDIE STAKES 150K, 6.5F DIRT

3 THE CHOSEN VRON	8-5	SMITH
11 MISTER BOLD	6-1	MALDONADO
4 NONE ABOVE THE LAW	5-1	PRAT
5 FOUND MY BALL	8-1	GUTIERREZ

PICK: 3 THE CHOSEN VRON
Took action in the San Vicente and ran a very credible third to two Baffert runners. Winner came back to run off in the G2 Rebel to stay undefeated. Runner-up ran a close 4th in the Gotham in NY. Cal-bred is a standout moving back to statebred company. Has sizzling drills.

VALUE: 11 MISTER BOLD
He's undefeated 4 for 4 sprinting. Loss came 3 back at LRC going a mile. Might have bled as he got Lasix in the next start. Wide post is no bargain in this full field but if he can tuck in he should get a good trip. Second in last came back to win at the same opt clm 50k level.

A) 3   B) 2,4,5,7,11   C) 1,8,9,10