BOB SELVIN at SANTA ANITA for MONDAY

COMMENTS: All numbers shown are official program numbers. Exotic plays are based on *$2* wagers except for trifectas which are designated. Morning line and projected odds are definitely considered in my handicapping.

PASSING RACES: When you see "**PASS or**" first, my suggestion is to **PASS** the race because I feel that race is either boring, valueless, is too complicated or has too many question marks. The play is up to you. When I suggest a play *first* and then indicate or PASS, my suggestion is to lean toward playing, but I'm obviously not crazy about or very interested in that race and it can easily be passed.

BEST PLAYS: Whenever possible and determined by the card, my Best Plays are hopefully *NOT* the most logical, high percentage races, but those that offer the best betting value.

PICK THREE'S or PICK FOUR: I also do not play the Pick Three's or Pick Four's randomly, but judiciously. Sometimes I don't play them at all. I don't suggest these plays just so I can claim that I hit one the next day.

TOP CHOICES, CO-TOP CHOICES or RACES with NO TOP CHOICES: Top choices or co-top choices are win bets at fair odds or higher. If there are any scratches, you have to project a shorter price on one or both. No top choice means I feel an exacta play is more worthwhile. However, that shouldn't stop you from win betting if any overlays develop in the betting even if I don't have a top choice.

MORNING LINE UNDERLAYS: These are horses at 4/1 or less on the morning line who I think are underlays on the morning line and thus, do not represent good value in my estimation. Doesn't mean they can't win, but as I've tracked them, about 80% are third or worse. Identifying these underlays (bet againsts?) should be very helpful in your wagering strategy, especially trying to beat them in the *exacta*. Obviously, a late scratch of another horse in the same race could change the complexion of the race and can negate the status of an MLU.

IMPORTANT INSTRUCTIONS TO GET THE MOST OUT OF MY SEMINAR: I provide you with my own FAIR BETTING ODDS on my main contenders in a race. This game is based on VALUE. Comparing the actual track odds to my fair odds and deciding on a play means SOME JUDGMENT ON YOUR PART IS REQUIRED !! A winning player needs to be flexible. OFTEN my top choice(s) could be overbet well below my fair odds and my secondary contenders then could offer much better value. Don't hesitate to play a nice overlay or PASS races when my choices are being overbet! (Unfortunately, any LATE SCRATCHES of contenders within a given race will make my fair odds INACCURATE.) Always remember... "if you don't get it, don't bet it."

*** *There are many cases when my top pick gets overbet (well below my fair odds) OR sometimes I don't have a top pick (and just recommend exactas). In that case, you should wisely **DISREGARD** my overbet top pick or co-top choice and look for an overlay. If I don't make a pick in the race and just offer exactas, my top horses I'm using in the exacta are MANDATORY WIN BETS if they are 20% higher than my fair odds. Mandatory win bet on any horses that are about 50% (double) higher than my listed fair odds if I set odds for them in the race, even if they are NOT among my top picks. And there is nothing wrong with betting two horses to win in the same race. There are MANY examples of this that commonly happen, so pay attention!*

ALWAYS DOUBLE CHECK THE COPY I WRITE WITH NUMBERS AGAINST PROGRAM NUMBERS:
*** It is your job and VERY IMPORTANT to ALWAYS DOUBLE CHECK my numbers below against the official program numbers. I can't stress that enough. Occasional inadvertent mistakes or typos can

and do occur.

ALWAYS LET FAIR ODDS BE YOUR GUIDE: However, keep in mind that late scratches within the body of a race after you access this report can DRAMATICALLY change the complexion of the race AND also negate my fair odds, in particular if one of my contenders is scratched.

WHAT ARE FAIR ODDS ?: This is my assessment of a fair price on each contender. Fair odds mean exactly that. You are getting the odds you should be getting if you decide to bet. Below fair odds and the play is less worthwhile and less valuable. Any horse above fair odds should be looked at closely, especially if they are 10-20% higher. When they get 25% higher, I'm calling them very good bets (VGB) as a very generous overlay. ALL horses, even those I *don't select*, should be considered as a WIN play at 25% above fair odds by comparing the actual odds on the board to the odds on the far right column. It's that easy. My selections aren't as relevant when they go below fair odds and there is a very good bet contender or contenders in the race. When the crowd over bets a favorite, I want to be on top of the overlays that often creates. *Unfortunately, key scratches can negate my fair odds.*

TRIFECTAS PLAYS CAN BE MADE MORE AFFORDABLE: They can be turned into fractions of $1 by purchasing .10 cent superfectas instead and including the horses in the third (or show) position in the four position as well. This also makes it more affordable for you to include horses you like. By the way, for the sake of the analysis, $6 is my top amount on any one ticket.

WHAT SEPARATES MY PRODUCT FROM OTHER PURCHASABLE SO. CALIF. HANDICAPPING PRODUCTS AND THE EDGE YOU GET: My fair odds take the entire field into consideration, including non contenders, and normally balance out at about 112% or so. I *purposely* do this to insure that my fair odds are OVERLAYS after factoring in the state takeout on win wagers which is 15.3%. Racetrack morning lines are normally made by adding 100% probability + 15.3% for takeout + 1% per horse for breakage. In other words, an eight-horse field should total about 123% when converting odds to probability percentages. By considering my fair odds in your handicapping, or, better yet, the adjacent VGB odds, you should be getting at least a 10% edge or more.

What other purchasable So. Calif. handicapping products put their balls on the line and offer BOTH their own BALANCED, fair odds line AND incisive notes, commentary, stats and workout tidbits from colleague clocker Andy Harrington's workout report?

RACES THAT HAVE A SHADED BACKGROUND: These are the races of most interest and hopefully present the best betting value on this particular card today. The others are, well, just races.

COMMENT— Promising start to the meet yesterday as we cashed in five out of the seven races I played, albeit much of it chalk. Today, I was advised that the (1st) race is off the turf. The (5th) and (7th) remain on.

(1ST) 8 FUSA CODE on top, exactas 8-2, 8-9, small reverse

Nine go and off the turf. It's not going to bother Asumussen's shipper FUSA CODE that this race came off the grass. The Fusaichi Pegasus gelding showed a high turn of speed in his two races back east, gets Rosario and had a nice :59.4h work (grade B-) over the SA main track on Dec. 12. The $210,000 Baffert firster UNCLE SAM is bred to run all day by Tapit out of a Pleasant Colony dam so he

doesn't waste any time sprinting 'SAM. With his propensity winning with his firsters, Baffert has honed 'SAM and it looks like he's got good late kick, especially prevalent in his Dec. 16 move (1:10.3hg on a very fast track, grade B), drawing clear from Blazing Along. Burns is at least interesting, although trainer Barry Abrams has a poor strike record with first time starters. Burns' dam Little Hottie has two previous offspring at the races and both won first time out, including useful stakes winner Brushburn. His work tab is solid and strong peppered with B grade drills and jockey Bryce Blanc has been aboard in the a.m. Isn't a quick type, but will likely be wearing blinkers. Special Kid and Robbie's War are considerations. 'Kid was scratched from a sprint yesterday to try here. On paper, at least, 'Kid missed workouts all through November and his last drill Dec. 13 was C+. Robbie's War ran an even sprint in his debut, but that was Oct. 2. Looks like he didn't work between Nov. 9 and Dec. 10, a 31-day period. More likely to need a race or use underneath only.

#	HORSE	FAIR	VERY GOOD BET AT>
1	RENEWING	SCR	SCR
2	UNCLE SAM	7/2	9/2
6	SPECIAL KID	5/1	6/1
8	FUSA CODE	2/1	5/2
9	BURNS	9/1	11/1
11	ROBBIE'S WAR	8/1	10/1

(2ND) PASS.

Not interested in this five-horse field. Ellafitz and All Due Respect, as expected from speed horses, are both training well of late according to Andy. Christmas Ship drops in for a tag for winning connections. Three of her five wins have been on dirt.

#	HORSE	FAIR	VERY GOOD BET AT>
1	ELLAFITZ	5/1	6/1
2	DOWNHILL DIVA	7/2	9/2
3	ALL DUE RESPECT	8/5	2/1
4	CHRISTMAS SHIP	9/2	6/1
5	EMMY DARLING	5/1	6/1

(3RD) 4 THREE POINTER on top, exactas 4-1, 4-6, 6-1, 6-4

In an ugly restricted $12,500 nw-2, Big Revolution has been scratched a couple of times and missed 45 days between his last race on Oct. 11 and his next work on Nov. 26. He's had problems since his debut was back in July, 2008 and his next start was Sept. 1, 2010, more than two years later. Now he's been away 11 weeks and he draws inside. Trainer Pete Miller has been red hot in recent months and this field stinks, but I would look to beat him with THREE POINTER, even with jockey Anne Sanguinetti on board. 'POINTER has a turn of early speed and now puts blinkers on today. Trainer Mark Glatt needed an in company drill for his allowance type Bradium on Dec. 12 and used 'POINTER, who held his own (:59.2h, turf, grade B). RIBALD was cut out to be better than this, especially if you remember the first two races in his career, but soundness issues came in the way. At least he's had a prep under his belt on Dec. 5 off a long layoff and today gets Joe Talamo up.

#	HORSE	FAIR	VERY GOOD BET AT >
1	BIG REVOLUTION	5/2	3/1
4	THREE POINTER	2/1	5/2
5	DALTON GANG	17/1	21/1
6	RIBALD	3/1	4/1
7	K K'S BRO	10/1	13/1

(4TH) (BEST PLAY) 3 FLEET CONTINENTAL & 6 KATE'S EVENT co-top choices; exactas 3-2, 3-6, 3-7, 6-2, 6-3, 6-7; extra ticket or two 3-6, 6-3

    KATE'S EVENT's debut was in a phony-paced raced that produced two subsequent winners, Victory With Honor and Indian Jones. 'EVENT didn't break well behind the slow pace and still got into it late. The last two drills on Dec. 8 and Dec. 14 leading up to his are strong (both grade B) and Rosario is back on board. FLEET CONTINENTAL is a shot at a price. He had trained really well into his debut on Nov. 26 with some good comments from Andy. He showed good early speed in that race pressuring the pace before fading. He's come back with another sharp drill on Dec. 9 and shortens up to six panels. CRISPY COREY may be more effect coming from off the pace based on his first two races earlier in the year. Look for him to switch styles. He's working steadily. Armenian Star gets a rider switch to Gomez. Firster Red Scare is out of a dam who has been an excellent producer and he has a couple of recent flashy works (:58.2h...track very fast on Dec. 11, grade C+, 1:12.3h on Dec. 17, grade C+). He's not quick in the morning, is a late foal and already a gelding, not a positive sign.

#	HORSE	FAIR	VERY GOOD BET AT >
2	CRISPY COREY	5/1	6/1
3	FLEET CONTINENTAL	6/1	8/1
6	KATE'S EVENT	8/5	2.00
7	ARMENIAN STAR	9/1	11/1
8	MAGICAL INSTINCT	11/1	14/1
9	RED SCARE (MLU)	8/1	10/1

Note: I realize that you are paying for this seminar to get educated selections. However, I can't control how the public bets them. And the crowd in So. Calif. loves to pound and overbet favorites. Any selections that I have made that are bet below my fair odds more than two ticks should be NEGATED in favor of any 25% or higher overlays on my other contenders that I have assigned fair odds to. Or you may consider betting my top selection(s) and/or any 25% overlays. Pay attention. The crowd often makes mistakes!

(5th) 5 MAGIC LAUNCH on top, trifecta (three tickets) $5 5 w/ 1-2-4-7-10 w/ 1-2-4-7-10; $3 7 w/ 5 w/ 1-2-4-10; $1 1 w/ 5-7 w/ 2-4-5-7-10

    On turf. Nine go at time of this writing. Pace came up almost non existent save for favorite MAGIC LAUNCH, a hard trier coming off a win who is right at home on this turf course. She's got a B grade work on Dec. 17 leading up to this and catches a very favorable pace scenario and will almost inherit the lead by default. WARREN'S GOT GAME fits the conditions best. She's a lightly raced 3-year-old who certainly didn't run badly in stakes company, including finishing reasonably close to Switch two back. The Dec. 12 7 ½ furlong effort in the Cat's Cradle should be a good tightener. However, there's nothing in her pedigree positive or negative how she'll handle switch to sod. Patsy's Lil Buddy is better on turf and most of her races have been against open company. These are Cal-breds. Party With Brando might be closer up than usual, but has to overcome the draw. With Bejarano on board, anything is possible. She'sfitfortaking is a longshot possibility. She had a meaningless sprint prep on Nov. 25 in her local debut. *She has trained surprisingly well and would be a good use at least underneath.*

#	HORSE	FAIR	VERY GOOD BET AT >
1	SHE'SFITFORAKING	17/1	21/1
2	PATSY'S LIL BUDDY	6/1	8/1
4	MELBISHA	9/1	11/1
5	MAGIC LAUNCH	5/2	3/1
7	WARREN'S GOT GAME	3/1	4/1
10	PARTY WITH BRANDO	5/1	6/1

(6th) 14 STROPPY on top, exacta box 4-14, 14-4, 14-10, 14-13. Use the overvalued 14 STROPPY as a trifecta key if you decide to play.

    It's a big field of 13 as of now. Looks like plenty of pace is signed on. LOST PROPHET may be the speed of the speed and may outsprint them all on the one level drop. STROPPY looks overvalued at 8/1 on the program and could get a pace meltdown in front of her. The trifecta could get wild if you

spread. Bejarano takes over on Our Bellini Bikini

#	HORSE	FAIR	VERY GOOD BET AT >
4	LOST PROPHET	5/2	3/1
6	BOMBING TWO	15/1	19/1
8	HOSTILE REACTION	12/1	15/1
10	DREAMS AFLEET	7/1	9/1
13	OUR BELLINI BIKINI	4/1	5/1
14	STROPPY	4/1	5/1

(7th) Exactas 3-1, 3-6, 6-1, 6-3 or PASS.

   Maybe Teddy's Promise outsprints these from the inside, but she got the softest pace scenario when winning off by 5 ½ lengths vs. allowance types against only three other rivals. She did work well out of the race Dec. 15 (grade B), but CALIFORNIA NECTAR and WARREN'S FLYER are every bit as deserving and may start at a better price. In fact, 'FLYER has already won on dirt...by nine lengths at Fairplex...if that matters. The others look a cut below at this point, but these are volatile 2-year-old fillies, so well connected Screaming Regal, Bathing Beauty or Going for a Spin could jump up. This race doesn't get the juices flowing and can be passed if so inclined.

#	HORSE	FAIR	VERY GOOD BET AT >
1	TEDDY'S PROMISE	3/1	4/1
3	CALIFORNIA NECTAR	5/2	3/1
4	SCREAMING REGAL	9/1	11/1
5	BATHTUB BEAUTY	15/1	19/1
6	WARREN'S FLYER	3/1	4/1
7	GOING FOR A SPIN	6/1	8/1

(8th) (BEST PLAY) 4 JERANIMO on top (could be across board play for those so inclined), no exactas.

   On the turf. Eight go. Super impressive first time turf winner JERANIMO doesn't have the flossy credentials of The Usual Q.T, so that's why he's 5/1 on the line. However, the Q.T. has been shipped around, ran tough in the Breeder's Cup and his trainer Jim Cassidy was already complaining that he missed a couple of works with him (although he did work well on Dec. 24). So maybe upstart JERANIMO is catching him at the right time. And if you watched the replay of his last race, and noted the fractions, the Congaree colt finished his final 3/16 in an eye-popping :27.4 and was just starting to run in the final 100 yards under Rafael Bejarano, *who tellingly jumps of the winner of the LAST TWO San Gabriel's....Proudinsky...to stay on board him.* The Strub winner last year, JERANIMO "jumped up" for trainer Mike Pender. I call it a "jump up" because on the switch to turf Nov. 27, he ran better than his previous races on synthetic. Note that the Gr 2 Citation was run the same day...a race that Proudinsky, Violon Sacre and Meteore all come out of. The final time of that race was 1:39.4, after :46.4, 1:10 fractions. JERANIMO accelerated like a Corvette after :48, 1:11.3h splits. I'll be very happy to take 5/1 on him and don't need the exactas.

#	HORSE	FAIR	VERY GOOD BET AT >
1	PROUDINSKY	4/1	5/1
2	UNUSUAL SUSPECT	15/1	19/1
3	THE USUAL Q.T.	2/1	5/2
4	JERANIMO	7/2	9/2
5	VIOLON SACRE	8/1	10/1
8	METEORE	10/1	13/1

(9th) PASS.

   Some cheap speed types signed on for a below par maiden $30,000 for 2-year-old fillies. Ugh. SWEET CONSOLIDATOR is clearly the one to beat, but she's been close and in position to win several times and didn't deliver. Deserving favorite on figs and won't be too far back of the early pace.

Chana's Girl had a tough trip after a very slow start in her debut. However, that race was very slow. The saving grace is that Palma never wins firsters and maybe this one wasn't totally cranked anyway. That race should be a nice prep and she's a decently bred sort by Malibu Moon. Homework is too big a price at 6/1 against these, but her barn is hard to trust. Personal Joke has a couple of pace lines that might put her in front. If something wacky happens, maybe it's her.

#	HORSE	FAIR	VERY GOOD BET AT >
1	TIZ FINAL	8/1	10/1
4	SWEET CONSOLIDATOR	2/1	5/2
5	CHANA'S GIRL	4/1	5/1
6	PERSONAL JOKE	20/1	5/1
7	ONE MORE PALO	10/1	13/1
10	HOMEWORK	4/1	5/1

PICK THREE (4-5-6) 3-6 w/ 5-7 w/ 4-14

PICK THREE (5-6-7) 5-7 w/ 4-14 w/ 1-3-6

PICK THREE (6-7-8) 4-14 w/ 1-3-6 w/ 4

PICK FOUR (6-7-8-9) 4-14 w/ 1-3-6 w/ 4 w/ 1-4-5-6-7-10