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Mike Battaglia's Picks COMMENTS FOR SATURDAY JANUARY 15

1st

SEAWARD ran a decent race against better last out and gets the nod in a fairly weak race. PAULAS GAME has the rail and Corrales and is the one to beat. TAMI ANN fits here.

2nd

SLIABH AUGHTY will like the return to the synthetic surface and figures to be running late in a race that has plenty of early speed. A return to his best would make him a winner in this one. CAPTAIN FANTASTIC is a maiden taking on winners but Genaro Garcia is off to a terrific start this year and Corrales picks up the mount. THE BLUE DRAGON comes off of a game maiden win.

3rd

NEVER KNOW CHRISTY ran well in her first race back after a long layoff and looks best in this bottom claimer. SUPER LUCY gets in light with Canuto and will be running at the end. DE BOLT LIGHT is a contender.

4th

LAVENDER EARL faded after making a solid middle move last out and drops back in for a tag tonight. He appears to be in a good spot to pick up his maiden win. SONIC CITY hasn't raced since November, but is in the capable hands of Kenny McPeek and looks like the main competition. DRUM AND BASS just missed last out and has to be respected.

5th

CLOSET SHOPPER was bothered in deep stretch last out and lost her best chance. She has the tactical speed to be in contention throughout and rates the slight edge for Bill Morey with Esquivel back aboard. ROSE HARBOR is also trained by Morey. She was beaten by the top pick last out, but that was just her second career start and she figures to move forward tonight. EPONA BAY woke up last out for Ken McPeek and definitely fits with these.

6th

A well matched field of 10 are slated to go in The Likely Exchange. NEW ROO is a lightly raced six year old mare who is a bit erratic but has been hooking some tough company and had rough trips in her last two starts. Look for her to rebound tonight and give her the slight edge. FATE FACTOR was hindered by the slow pace in The My Charmer and was really never in contention. There is more speed in here and she will be running at the end. ALYDIVA woke up in her last win and is a threat.

7th

HARD RYE GUY hasn't won a race in quite a while but his best races have been over the Turfway Tapeta and he is capable of beating this field with his best effort. BUCK MOON comes off of a front running maiden win and will be tough if left alone on the lead tonight. CAN'T HIDE FROM ME has been running against lesser company but has been in the money in 10 of his last 12 races.

8th

LONELY JUNE showed nothing last out but drops in class for Mike Maker and Corrales picks up the mount. H.T. XENA exits the same race as the top pick and also figures to improve at this level. HOUSE WRECKER rates a chance.