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FIXTURE LIST FOR NEXT YEAR UNVEILED TODAY

The British Horseracing Board publishes its 2000 fixture list today. The centrepiece of the new list is a continuous programme of 14 consecutive Sunday racedays next summer from June 4 to Sept. 3. Racing will take place on a further six Sundays, including Jan. 2, 2000. A total of 162 evening fixtures are scheduled on 76 evenings, including six Saturday evenings during the summer: May 13, 20 and 27, July 1, Aug. 19 and 26. Floodlit fixtures on a further 16 Saturday evenings outside the summer period are maintained. The number of criteria breaks has been reduced from six in 1999 to an all-time low of four in 2000. BHB chief executive Tristram Ricketts said, "The Board is delighted to have reached unanimous agreement on the fixture list for 2000. Only by adopting a more customer-friendly approach to fixtures will racing attract the racegoer and punter of the future, thereby increasing both levy and racecourse income. We are grateful for the support of the Levy Board, who should benefit from over £1m in additional income. The expansion of Sunday racing which lies at the heart of Fixture List 2000 is a crucial element in our self-help strategy, and an important step towards our goal of making racing the national summer sport." (*Doncaster Wrap-up, British News cont p2*)

Yesterday's Results:

EBF UPAVON FILLIES' S.-Listed, £27,000, Salisbury, 8-11, 3yo/up, f/m, 9f 198ydsT, 2:08.03, gd/sf.

1--#**AJHIBA (IRE)**, 117, f, 3, by **Barathea (Ire)**

1st Dam: **Welsh Love (Ire) (SP-Ire)**, by **Ela-Mana-Mou (Ire)**

2nd Dam: **Welsh Flame (GB)**, by **Welsh Pageant (Fr)**

3rd Dam: **Electric Flash (GB)**, by **Crepello (GB)**

(940,954gns yrl '97 GOOC1). O-Godolphin; B-Kilcarn Stud; T-Saeed bin Suroor; J-Frankie Dettori; £15,970.

Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, £21,326. *1/2 to **Second Empire (Ire) (Fairy King {USA})**, Hwt. 2yo-Ire, Hwt.

3yo-Ire at 7-9.5f, G1SW- Fr, GSW & G1SP-Ire, G1SP-GB, \$356,323.

2--**Choirgirl (GB)**, 117, f, 3, **Unfuwain (USA)**--**Choir Mistress (GB)**, by **Chief Singer (Ire)**. £5,980.

3--**Valentine Girl (GB)**, 121, f, 3, **Alzao (USA)**--**Set Fair (USA)**, by **Alleged (USA)**. £2,928.

Margins: 1 1/4, 3/4, 2HF. Odds: 2-1, 7-1, 12-1.

Also ran: **Sheba Spring (Ire)**, **Glorosia (Fr)**, **Star Precision (GB)**, **Time Saved (GB)**, **Primary Colours (GB)**, **Al Fahda (GB)**.

EBF Upavon Fillies' S. cont.

The winner of a maiden at Newmarket, May 2 on her only racecourse appearance to date, **Ajhiba** was given a patient ride by **Frankie Dettori** and swooped late to take her first stake in good style. In a change to normal tactics, **Choirgirl** went to the front from the outset and set a generous pace from **Al Fahda (GB) (Be My Chief {USA})**, **Sheba Spring (Ire) (Brief Truce {USA})** and **Glorosia (Fr) (Bering {GB})**. **Ajhiba** was settled in midfield along with **Star Precision (GB) (Shavian {GB})** and **Valentine Girl as Time Saved (GB) (Green Desert {USA})** and **Primary Colours (GB) (Saddlers' Hall {Ire})** brought up the rear. As the field entered the home straight proper, **Choirgirl** came under strong driving but she responded gamely to all challenges until **Ajhiba** made her challenge approaching the final furlong. **Ajhiba** was going much the better and ran on strongly for a decisive win. **Choirgirl** was game in second and safely held second from **Valentine Girl** who ran on well from the rear without troubling the first two.

7.15 Sandown, Berkeley Group PLC Conditions S.

(Class C), £9,385, 3yo/up, 7f 16ydsT, 1:30.21, gd/sf. **PULAU TIOMAN (GB) (c, 3, Robellino {USA})--Ella Mon Amour {Ire}**, by **Ela-Mana-Mou {Ire}**), from the in-form **Michael Jarvis** stable and backed down to odds of 5-2, was first into his stride in this four-horse field, but soon surrendered the lead to the once highly-rated **Raise A Grand (Ire) (Grand Lodge {USA})**, who led the field into the straight at a modest pace and then tried to quicken. **Pulau Tioman** was soon on terms with the leader and was the one which quickened best of all, staying on well up the stiff Sandown hill to win by 1 3/4 lengths from **Granny's Pet (GB) (Selkirk {USA})**, who briefly threatened a furlong and a half out but could never get on terms with the impressive winner. Lifetime Record: 10-3-2-1, £28,672.

O-H R H Sultan Ahmad Shah; B-Raffin Stud; T-Michael Jarvis; J-Philip Robinson.

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British Report cont.

4.15 Salisbury, Isle Of Wight Novice S. (Class D) (Cond), £5,840, 2yo, 6f 212ydsT, 1:31.24, gd/sf. **BARATHEA GUEST (GB)** (c, 2, Barathea {Ire}--Western Heights {GB}, by Shirley Heights {GB}) was ninth in the G3 Coventry S. at Royal Ascot June 15 on his previous outing but started here as the 5-1 third choice. He was settled last of the five runners as Royal Eagle (USA) (Eagle Eyed {USA}) led, but was switched to make his challenge with 2½ furlongs to run. He was on terms at the furlong marker, led with 150 yards to run and ran on well for a two-length victory. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, £8,904. O-John Guest; B-Chippenham Lodge Stud Ltd; T-George Margaron; J-Philip Robinson.

4.00 Beverley, EBF 10th Anniversary Of The Journal Maiden S. (Class D), £6,220, 2yo, 7f 100ydsT, 1:36.30, gd. **ETERNAL SPRING (IRE)** (c, 2, Persian Bold {Ire}--Emerald Waters {Ire} {GSP-Ire}, by Kings Lake {USA}), heavily backed down to 4-7 favouritism, fully justified that support with this easy victory. Sent straight to the front, he quickened up well early in the straight and was soon clear, going on to win by 3 1/2 lengths. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, £5,222. O-Paul & Jenny Green; B-Paul C Green; T-Ed Dunlop; J-Kieren Fallon.

8.15 Sandown, Surrey Herald Maiden S. (Class D), £6,150, 3yo/up, 1 1/4mT, 2:10.30, gd/sf. **NATIONAL ANTHEM (GB)** (c, 3, Royal Academy {USA}--Heart's Harmony {GB}, by Blushing Groom {Fr}) looked the one they all had to beat, betting suggested it was a one-horse race and so it turned out. After racing in third early on, National Anthem grabbed the lead well over a half-mile out and easily went clear, lengthening his lead with every stride and winning eased down by eight lengths at odds of 4-9. Lifetime Record: 7-1-2-1, £15,181. O-Mrs Denis Haynes; B-Wretham Stud; T-Sir Michael Stoute; J-Gary Stevens.

2.15 Salisbury, EBF Sandown Maiden S. (Class D), £5,840, 2yo, 6fT, 1:17.43, gd/sf. **MILLENIUM MOONBEAM (USA)** (c, 2, Phone Trick {USA}--Shywing {USA} {GISW, \$453,830}, by Wing Out {USA}), an aptly named individual on the day of a total eclipse, raced in third as La Belle Mystere (GB) (Lycius {USA}) led. The \$35,000 KEEJAN yearling was ridden two furlongs out, led 1½ furlongs out and ran on well for a 1 3/4-length success at odds of 6-1. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, £3,937. O-John E Harris; B-Andy Stronach; T-Mark Pitman; J-Kevin Darley.

6.15 Sandown, Elmbridge Evening Maiden S. (Class D), £5,750, 3yo/up, 5fT, 1:04.37, gd/sf. **RING FENCE (GB)** (f, 3, Polar Falcon {USA}--Ring Cycle {GB}, by Auction Ring {USA}) was always prominent, hit traffic problems over two furlongs out and had to be hard ridden to keep her place. She again failed to find a clear run a furlong out, had to be switched again and flew home, catching much more experienced Palawan (GB) (Polar Falcon {USA}), who had grabbed the lead over two furlongs out, in the final strides to win by a head at odds of 4-1. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-1, £4,464. O-Major M G Wyatt; B-Dunchurch Lodge Stud; T-Henry Candy; J-Chris Rutter.

DONCASTER SALE CONCLUDES

One-time Derby hopeful Entertainer (Ire) (Be My Guest {USA}) topped the bill on the final session of Doncaster's August Sales yesterday when bought for 40,000gns to go jumping with trainer Paul Nicholls. Although still a maiden, the three-year-old finished second on four of his six starts on the Flat for trainer Peter Chapple-Hyam and owner the Royal Ascot Racing Club, who have just sold their Siege (Ire) (Indian Ridge {GB}) for a reported \$700,000 to race in Dubai. The ticket for Entertainer was signed by the British Bloodstock Agency's Anthony Bromley, who saw off a number of others including underbidder Mark Gichero of the Winning Line, fledgling trainer Jamie Osborne and jump handler Howard Johnson. "He was the standout lot in today's catalogue and has some very good form, especially as a two-year-old, and was thought of as a Derby prospect at one stage," said Bromley. "The Triumph Hurdle at Cheltenham will be the aim but he is going to jump a fence in time." Doncaster's managing director Henry Beeby was content with the level of business at the three-day sale. "I'm very happy with the fairly consistent trade for horses-in-training," said Beeby. "The horses with good form have been selling well and the lower end of the market was weaker, which has been the trend everywhere at the moment." About 400,000gns of last year's turnover was accounted for by the Lord Swaythling dispersal so without that this year, trade was similar to 12 months ago.

**COMPARATIVE FIGURES:
WEDNESDAY**

YEAR	CAT	OFF	SOLD	AGG	AV	MED
1999	150	100	84	356,270	4,241	1,850
1998	170	136	86	299,970	3,488	1,500

TOTAL SALE

YEAR	CAT	OFF	SOLD	AGG	AV	MED
1999	520	391	293	1,427,880	4,873	2,200
1998	550	440	315	1,821,200	5,782	3,000



BIJOU D'INDE BACK TO ENGLAND FOR 2000

The 1996 G1 St. James' Palace S. winner **Bijou d'Inde (GB)** (Cadeux Genereux {GB}), who has been standing the Southern Hemisphere breeding season in New Zealand is slated to return to England for next year's season, according to *Thoroughbred Times Online*. The six-year-old will stand for roughly £10,000 at Woodland Stud near Newmarket.

ALBORADA TO RACE NEXT IN IRELAND

Alborada (GB) (Alzao {USA}), fifth in the G1 Vodafone Nassau S. at Goodwood on her seasonal reappearance, is being aimed at the G1 Digifone Irish Champion S. at Leopardstown Sept. 11. Trainer Sir Mark Prescott said, "We will give the Juddmonte at York a miss, I think that comes a bit quick, so we will go to Ireland and then try and win the Champion S. at Newmarket for the second year running. We have always planned an autumn campaign." The four-year-old was second in the Irish race last year.

FASLIYEV AMONG NOMINEES TO CHAMPAGNE S.

Aidan O'Brien's powerful Irish stable provides 17 of the 83 entries for the £60,000 G2 Frigidaire Champagne S. at Doncaster Sept. 10. The trainer's entries include G1 Phoenix S. winner **Fasliyev (USA)** (Nureyev {USA}), Angelsey and Prix Robert Papin S. hero **Rossini (USA)** (Miswaki {USA}) and G3 Railway S. victor **Bernstein (USA)** (Storm Cat {USA}). Godolphin's French two-year-old operation, with trainer David Loder, is also well represented in the seven-furlong race with six entries including G2 July S. champion **City On A Hill (USA)** (Rahy {USA}).

LEWIS ANNOUNCES ABRUPT RETIREMENT

Geoff Lewis, the Epsom trainer, yesterday announced that he will end a 46-year association with racing on Sept. 12. Lewis, 63 started training in 1980 after being a top jockey with successes notably on Mill Reef in the 1971 Derby and Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe. Lewis said, "It will be a sad day for my family, my staff and of course for me, but the time has come that it is no longer viable for me to carry on training from Thirty Acre Barn. I count myself very fortunate to have had a wonderful career in racing both as a jockey and as a trainer. I know how lucky I am to have ridden a horse as great as Mill Reef as well as to have trained a champion in Lake Coniston (Ire) (Bluebird {USA}). I hope to still be involved in the racing game, but would like to take this opportunity to thank all my owners for their support over the years." Lewis sold his Thirty Acre Barn Stables in Epsom from where he sent out over 500 winners. The news of his retirement surprised many, but Lewis has been selling horses this year and the flow of winners had dried up in the last couple of years.

★ FRANCE ★

Yesterday's Results:

PRIX DE TOURGEVILLE-Listed, FF260,000, Deauville, 8-11, 3yo, c/g, 1mT, 1:50.90, sf.

- 1--**#RAUCOUS LAD (GB)**, 123, c, 3, by Warning (GB)
 1st Dam: **Someone Special (GB)** (GSP-GB), by Habitat (USA)
 2nd Dam: **One In A Million (Ire)**, by Who Can Tell (GB)
 3rd Dam: **Singe (GB)**, by Tudor Music (GB)
 (420,000gns yrl '97 TAHOU). O-Sheikh Maktoum bin Rashid al Maktoum; B-Meon Valley Stud; T-Andre Fabre; J-Olivier Peslier; FF140,000. Lifetime Record: 3 starts, 2 wins, 1 place, FF254,000. *1/2 to Alnasr Alwasheek (GB) (Sadler's Wells {USA}), MGSW-GB, SP-USA, \$224,428; One So Wonderful (GB) (Nashwan {USA}), Hwt. Older Mare-GB & Ire at 9.5-11f, G1SW-GB, \$427,729.
- 2--**Tobruk (Ire)**, 123, c, 3, Red Ransom (USA)--Memories (USA), by Hail The Pirates (USA). FF48,000.
- 3--**Triple Dash (GB)**, 123, c, 3, Nashwan (USA)--Triple Joy (GB), by Most Welcome (GB). FF36,000.
- Margins: 3/4, NK, 3/4. Odds: 2.40, 1.80.
 Also ran: Franc (USA), Ne Coupez Pas (USA).

Having been off the track since finishing fourth to Val Royal in the Listed Prix Matchem at Chantilly May 3, Raucous Lad belied his lack of a recent run to win a shade cleverly from the two British-trained challengers. Raucous Lad raced in third of the five runners as Triple Dash set a moderate pace from Ne Coupez Pas (USA) (Nureyev {USA}) with Franc (USA) (Woodman {USA}) and Tobruk in the rear as the field raced single file. The race unfolded as the field entered the straight. Ne Coupez Pas threatened briefly from the quarter-mile pole, but faded as Triple Dash, Raucous Lad and Tobruk raced line abreast approaching the final furlong. Tobruk led briefly soon after, but was tackled and passed by Raucous Lad in the last 150 yards. Raucous Lad stayed on well and was a cozy winner passing the line. Tobruk also kept on well to hold second place from the renewed effort of the game Triple Dash.

2.45 Deauville, Prix du Mezeray (Class C) (Cond.), FF160,000, 2yo, f, 7 1/2fT, 1:42.30, sf.
PSYCADELIC (FR) (f, 2, Midyan {USA}--Shavya {GB}, by Shavian {GB}) raced in the rear as Exciting Times (Fr) (Jeune Homme {USA}) led at a slow pace and made steady headway from the quarter-mile marker. She challenged on the bit approaching the final furlong, led soon after and ran on, with her jockey sitting motionless, for an unextended three-parts-of-a-length victory. Lifetime Record: 7 starts, 2 wins, 5 places, FF252,000.
 O-Robert Collet; B-Satwa Farm; T-Rodolphe Collet; J-Christophe Soumillon.

CORRECTION: Bleu d'Altair, winner Tuesday of the Prix d'Etream at Deauville represents the sixth individual winner for freshman sire Green Tune (USA) (Green Dancer {USA}).



French Report cont.

3.15 Deauville, Prix du Pont d'Ouilly (Class D) (Cond.), FF140,000, 3yo, 1mT, 1:48.50, sf.

OLD MARSH (IRE) (c, 3, Grand Lodge {USA}--Lolly Dolly {GB} {GSP-Fr}, by Alleged {USA}) Lifetime Record: 7 starts, 1 win, 6 places, FF205,000. O-Mme F Darty. B-R Ades. T-David Smaga. J-Dominique Boeuf. *1/2 to Orange Noir (USA) (Irish River {Fr}), SW-Fr, \$201,369; Irish Source (GB) (Irish River {Fr}), SW-Fr, GSP-Ger & Ity.

4.45 Deauville, Prix du Laizon (Class D) (Cond.), FF140,000, 3yo, 1½mT, 2:46.40, sf.

DARING MISS (GB) (f, 3, Sadler's Wells {USA}--Bourbon Girl {GB} {MG1SP-Ire, \$183,771}, by Ile De Bourbon {USA}) Lifetime Record: 3 starts, 2 wins, 0 places, FF115,000. O-Khalid Abdullah. B-Juddmonte Farms. T-Andre Fabre. J-Olivier Peslier.

★ AUSTRALIA ★

WINNERS BY EUROPEAN-BASED STALLIONS:

Hut (Aus), f, 3, Danehill (USA)--Ivy Cottage (NZ) (SP-Aus), by Star Way (GB). Canterbury (Sydney), 8-11, Lahood Bros H., 3yo, f, 6f 55ydsT, £5,722 to winner. B-Woodlands Stud; T-John Hawkes. *GSP-Aus.

Monde Prince (Aus), c, 3, Monde Bleu (GB)--Royal Links (Aus), by Red Tony (Ire). Sale (Victoria), 8-10, Super VOBIS Maiden Plate, 3yo, 7 1/2fT, £2,051 to winner. B-Mr D Stephens; T-Chris Hyland.

Wide Vision (Aus), f, 4, Danehill (USA)--Miss Baleta (Aus), by Manila (USA). Eagle Farm (Brisbane), 8-11, Jacob's Creek H., 3yo, f/m, 6fT, £6,100 to winner. B-Gooree Pastoral Company; T-Lee Freedman.

Once Wild (Aus), f, 4, Mukaddamah (USA)--Antelliere (Aus) (GSP-Aus), by Salieri (USA). Canterbury (Sydney), 8-11, Giant M H., 4yo, f, 6f 55ydsT, £5,722 to winner. B-Mr J Griffin; T-Paul Cave. *1/2 to Bluebird The Word (Aus) (Bluebird {USA}), G1SP-Aus & NZ.

★ MAIDEN WINNERS ★

Polish Panache (USA), c, 2, Gone West (USA)--Polish Style (USA), by Danzig. Gowran Park, Ireland, EBF Sweet Maiden, 8-11, 2yo, 7fT, Ir£4,140 to winner. B-Darley Stud Management Inc.

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Eternal Spring (Ire), c, 2, Persian Bold (Ire)--Emerald Waters (Ire) (GSP-Ire), by Kings Lake (USA). Beverley, England, EBF 10th Anniversary Of The Journal Maiden S. (Class D), 8-11, 2yo, 7f 100ydsT, £4,107 to winner. B-Paul C Green.

Millenium Moonbeam (USA), c, 2, Phone Trick (USA)--Shywing (USA) (GISW, \$453,830), by Wing Out (USA). Salisbury, England, 8-11, EBF Sandown Maiden S. (Class D), 2yo, 6fT, £3,844 to winner. B-Andy Stronach. *\$35,000 yrl '98 KEESEP.

Global Dancer (Ger), c, 2, Shareef Dancer (USA)--Goonda (GB), by Darshaan (GB). Cologne, Germany, Uranus-EBF-Rennen (Mdn.), 8-11, 2yo, 1mT, DM7,000 to winner. B-Gestut Auenquelle.

Old Marsh (Ire), c, 3, Grand Lodge (USA)--Lolly Dolly (GB) (GSP-Fr), by Alleged (USA). Deauville, France, 8-11, Prix du Pont d'Ouilly (Class D) (Cond.), 3yo, 1mT, FF70,000 to winner. B-R Ades. *51,306gns yrl '97 AFAUG.

Ring Fence (GB), f, 3, Polar Falcon (USA)--Ring Cycle (GB), by Auction Ring (USA). Sandown, England, Elmbridge Evening Maiden S. (Class D), 8-11, 3yo/up, 5fT, £3,778 to winner. B-Dunchurch Lodge Stud.

National Anthem (GB), c, 3, Royal Academy (USA)--Heart's Harmony (GB), by Blushing Groom (Fr). Sandown, England, Surrey Herald Maiden S. (Class D), 8-11, 3yo/up, 1 1/4mT, £4,038 to winner. B-Wretham Stud.

Jewel In The Crown (USA), f, 3, Seeking The Gold (USA)--Christabelle (USA), by Northern Dancer (Can).Greenvale EBF Fillies Maiden, 8-11, 3yo/up, f/m, 1mT, Ir£5,175 to winner. B-Swettenham Stud, Ballydoyle Stud, A S O'Brien & Katom Ltd. *1/2 to Shinko Nobby (USA) (Nashwan {USA}), MSP-Jpn, \$406,067. **\$375,000 yrl '97 KEEJUL.

★ PEDIGREE INSIGHTS ★

by Andrew Caulfield

HEINZ 57 PHOENIX S.-G1, Ir£166,600, Leopardstown, Ireland, 8-8, 2yo, 6fT, 1:17.10, yl/sf.

1--**FASLIYEV**, 126, c, 2, by Nureyev

1st Dam: Mr. P's Princess, by Mr. Prospector

2nd Dam: Anne Campbell, by Never Bend

3rd Dam: Repercussion, by Tatan (Arg)

(\$450,000 yrl '97 KEEJUL). O-Michael Tabor; B-Harold Harrison; T-Aidan O'Brien; J-Michael Kinane; Ir£105,350. Lifetime Record: 4-4-0-0, Ir£166,600.

Mr. Prospector has enjoyed an impressive partnership with some of Nureyev's broodmare daughters, siring such good Group performers as Kingmambo, Miesque's Son, Dance Sequence, Souvenir Copy, Shake Hand and Gold Tribute. However, mating Mr. Prospector's daughters to Nureyev seemed to be a much less effective pairing. The nearest that any of the first nine foals produced to this pattern came to winning a stakes race was when Ne Coupez Pas failed by a neck to take the Listed Prix Yacowlef last year. (Caulfield cont p5)



Just as I was beginning to think that this combination could safely be ruled out as a potential source of top winners, along came Fasliyev to demonstrate that nothing is so straightforward in thoroughbred breeding. This very likeable juvenile has now won his first four starts, progressing from the Listed Marble Hill S. to the G3 Coventry S. and then to the G1 Heinz 57 Phoenix S., and looks a bargain at the \$450,000 Demi O'Byrne paid for him at Keeneland just over a year ago.

It has already been widely pointed out that Fasliyev's first G1 win came on the very same day that Menifee, a half-brother to Fasliyev's dam Mr P's Princess, confirmed his standing as one of America's best three-year-olds by taking the GI Haskell Invitational H. under top weight. When Menifee was offered for sale as a yearling, the bidding stopped at a modest \$35,000. However, this price was much lower that we have come to expect for yearlings from this family--no doubt because Menifee's sire, Harlan, was none too fashionable and his dam Anne Campbell was 23 years old when she foaled him.

Anne Campbell gained her main win in the six-furlong Old Hat S. as a three-year-old but stayed further, and ranked alongside the speedy fillies Royal North and Repercussionist as one of four stakes winners produced by Repercussion, a runner-up in the Schuylerville S. over 5½ furlongs.

She has visited a wide variety of stallions during her lengthy broodmare career and it was the considerable success she enjoyed with her Damascus colt Desert Wine in the early 1980s that earned her the chance to visit some of Kentucky's most fashionable stallions. Her 1985 mating with Nureyev resulted in Arsaan, a \$700,000 yearling who won at Newmarket on her only juvenile start and later won a Listed race, giving the impression that a mile suited her better than 1¼ miles. Arsaan is the only foal that Nureyev has sired from a mare by Never Bend but it is worth remembering that he has a very good record with mares by Never Bend's son Riverman and also has a good record with mares by Mill Reef, another of Never Bend's sons.

Anne Campbell was carrying a colt by Mr. Prospector when she was sold for \$725,000 at the Hermitage Farm dispersal in 1987. This colt easily recouped his dam's purchase price when he was offered at Keeneland in 1989, attracting a \$1,100,000 bid from Charlie Whittingham. Named Excavate, the colt didn't quite live up to expectations but he won at up to 8½ furlongs and was stakes-placed over six and seven furlongs as a mature horse. Excavate's sister, Mr. P's Princess, never made it to the races after realising \$240,000 as a foal but has made amends by producing Fasliyev as her first foal. She also has a 1999 colt by Nureyev, so she may well improve Nureyev's record with Mr Prospector mares still further.

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