

2026 Hokkaido Training Sale Preview

The 2026 Hokkaido Training Sale has catalogued 78 juveniles, making it the smallest edition in its history. As in the past two years, both the breeze-up and the sale will take place on the same day.

Ahead of the breeze-up sale on May 19th, rehearsal breeze-ups were held in early April at BTC Urakawa and the Hokkaido Hidaka Race Horse Cooperative Upbringing Center.

At BTC Urakawa, a filly by Orfevre (JPN) recorded the fastest furlong time of 10.2 seconds. Catalogued as Lot 52, she is out of four-time NAR winner Fastoso (JPN), whose half-sister is the black-type winner Missing Link (JPN).

Lots 16 and 19 were the only other horses to break 11.0 seconds on the day. Lot 16, a filly by Benbatl (GB), recorded a furlong time of 10.7 seconds. She is the first foal out of Suzu Cynara (JPN), whose dam is the Group 3-placed Dear Arethusa (JPN). Lot 19, a colt by Mischevious Alex (USA) out of JRA winner Kirara Amore (JPN), clocked 10.9 seconds for a furlong.

At the Hokkaido Hidaka Race Horse Cooperative Upbringing Center, two juveniles from the same vendor, N & star LLC, shared the fastest furlong time of 11.1 seconds: Lot 7, a colt by Makfi (GB), and Lot 69, a colt by Kiseki (JPN). The Kiseki colt is a half-brother to two-time JRA winner Win Spirytus (JPN).

The sale will take place at Sapporo Racecourse on Tuesday, May 19, at 1:00 pm, following the breeze-up session, which begins at 9:30 am.

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