



# DOCOMO TEAM DANDELION RACING

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## Official TEST Report 2024/7/7~8 FUJI Speedway 2nd Official test

The second Official Test at Fuji Speedway was scheduled before the summer round at Fuji, the midway point of the season.

On both days of the test, the air temperature was above 30°C and the surface temperature reached over 50°C.

It was held in the intense heat, just like after Tuyuake, with many fans on the weekend.

On Day1, it was the first run with control-dumpers at Fuji Speedway, where the set-ups for relatively reducing down force are usually adopted, and the test programs were focused on the set-ups relating to suspension and tires for the middle stage conditions in which both air and surface temperature would rise largely.

The drivers drove energetically, repeatedly trying the programs which can be tried only during the test. Makino recorded the top time by .3 sec and Ohta finished Day1 in third.

On Day2, they enthusiastically executed the programs, including the new set-ups, testing the aerodynamic system, long-run, practicing QF attack /starting / pit-stops. During the long-run, Makino recorded top-class time constantly.

Ohta also recorded good times, learning behavior changes of the car and tire management at high temperature.

In the QF attack simulation in the latter half of the final Session 4, Makino recorded the third fastest time, though each driver's time could not be compared simply because of the surface condition changes.

Both Makino and Ohta got high evaluation of their own issues, and at the same time, they found new issues to work on. It was a very fruitful test for the middle stage of the season.



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#5: Tadasuke Makino Position 2nd overall

It was a very positive two-day test to try several things without any trouble. We could check the set-ups which we had wanted to try and find out their issues, too. We confirmed good parts and bad parts.

I learned about the control dumper and the car's character under hot conditions, and it was good preparation for the middle stage in summer.

I will get ready for the next race at Fuji in two weeks with my team.

#6: Kakunoshin Ohta Position 12th overall

We executed a lot of programs and the official test became very productive. In spite of some good points, I'm afraid that we are far behind the leader throughout the whole test.

We should examine every detail to improve more.

We will compare my data with Makino's, and do everything we can for the podium and my second victory in the rest of the season.