



Qualifying Report

2024/10/13 Rd-7 FUJI Speedway

Weather : Fine Temperature : 23°C 21cars

Rd7 at Fuji Speedway was the second race of a doubleheader in the weekend. Makino, who stood at the top of GrpA in QF1 and then stalled in QF2 in Rd6 yesterday, needed QF points to survive the competition for the championship title.

Also, Ohta, who became second for the third time by a narrow margin yesterday, was aiming for his first pole position in Super Formula.

It was a little warmer than yesterday when QF started, however, the surface temperature was 26°C almost the same.

Ohta in GrpA slightly adjusted the set-up which had worked well yesterday, and went on-track with less than 7 min remaining.

After a two-lap warm-up run, he started to attack.

Since he could not shorten his time in Sec2 and Sec3, ended up in 7th.

He failed to move on to QF2 for the first time this season.

Makino in GrpB adjusted the set-up just before pit-out getting advice from Ohta in GrpA, and went off for an attack with 7 min remaining.

Recording remarkable time in Sec3, he passed QF1 first.

For the following QF2, Makino speculated a change of the surface condition, and adjusted the set-up with consulting his engineer.

The set-up change was effectual, and he recorded the best time overall in Sec2. However, it caused loss time in the straight at the same time, so he finished in 5th.

Later, because Iwasa in 4th got a penalty, he became 4th.



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#5: Tadasuke Makino Position 4th (QF1 GrpB 1st, QF2 4th)

I was planning to make up for my mistake yesterday in this QF.

In QF1, I recorded the best time in each section to finish QF1 on top.

Regarding QF2, I'm afraid that I pushed too much as a result.

Starting from the second row is good enough to win the race, however, my issue is how to get points in QF.

#6: Kakunoshin Ohta Position 14th (QF1 GrpA 7th)

I had been in good shape since finishing in 2nd in QF yesterday, so I was hopeful to get a pole position today.

Unfortunately, I couldn't make it to QF2 for the first time this season.

I couldn't feel tire grip, and also I think I could've done more.

For the race this afternoon, we are considering the set-up corresponding to slowing down in the latter half of the race yesterday, so, I will try to catch up from behind to bring points home.