



DOCOMO TEAM DANDELION RACING

Team Release

Race Report

2024/11/9 Rd-8 SUZUKA circuit

Weather: Fine Temperature: 21°C, 21cars

The final 7th event of the season was held as the 22th JAF Grand Prix, which contained Rd8 on Saturday and Rd9 on Sunday.

On each day, the race started soon after QF had finished. Tsuboi, who topped in the Drivers' standings, was followed by Makino by 14.5 points, and Nojiri came behind by 2 points.

Ohta in the pole position made a steadfast start, and went into First Corner first. Makino avoided Iwase whose engine had stalled in front of him, and finished the opening lap in 3rd.

On L10 when the pit-stop window opened, Ohta on top was driving at a quick pace with more than 5 sec gap to the second.

The team called Makino in third into the pits first, and sent him off to the track without any mistake.

However, he was overcut by Tsuboi, who came into the pits on L11.

Ohta recorded 'super lap' again and again after the pit-stop to outdistance Tsuboi far behind.

On the other hand, Makino stayed in 3rd even though he kept putting pressure on Tsuboi.

From the middle stage of the race, 6 cars retired and the safety car came in twice.

Ohta won this survival race for the first time this season, recording 'pole to finish' and the fastest lap.

Makino, who finished in third, kept the possibility of winning the championship title in the final race tomorrow.

DOCOMO TEAM DANDELION RACING moved into the lead because of a 'one-three finish' of Ohta and Makino, and will go into the final game aiming for the double titles tomorrow.



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#5: Tadasuke Makino Position 3rd

My pace was not good in the first half of the race, and I had to make a pit stop on L10 at earliest.

I was regretful that I was overcut by Tsuboi in spite of the good shape after the tire change.

I pushed very hard, but failed to overtake him.

It will be a single combat between Tsuboi and me for the driver title in the final race tomorrow.

My situation is tough, but I go with everything I got so that I don't have any regrets.

#6: Kakunoshin Ohta Position 1st

My car was in good shape as well as in QF, and my lap pace overwhelmed others.

I dominated the race without a mistake, pushing all the way from start to finish.

I am glad that I recorded the fastest lap and 'pole to finish', and that I contributed to the teams' standings.

I think I achieved today's goal.

Tomorrow, I will do my best to produce the best result as a team.