

DOCOMO TEAM DANDELION RACING Team Release

Qualifying Report 2025/4/20 Rd-4 Mobility Resort MOTEGI

Weather: Fine Temperature: 20°C 22cars

The previous day, in QF for Rd3 of the second event at Mobility Resort Motegi, DOCOMO TEAM DANDELION RACING made a '1-2 finish' and dominated the front row to start the race.

On Sunday, it was cloudy in the morning and both the air and the surface temperatures were lower than yesterday.

So, different race development could be expected.

In QF1, Ohta was in GrpA. Observing his check-run, the team determined that 2 warm-up laps were required for the tires, and sent Ohta onto the track with 7 min remaining.

Ohta recorded the best time in Sec3 and Sec4, then made it to QF2 in first.

Makino in GrpB drove 2 warm-up laps, as Ohta did, and recorded the best time in Sec2.

He also moved on to QF2 in first, exceeding Iwasa by .023 sec.

In the following QF2, Makino went on-track as soon as the session started, while Ohta did at short intervals.

The both drivers started to attack after 2 warm-up laps.

Makino recorded 1'31s, despite lack of grip, and finished in 3rd.

Ohta could not reach the leader and became second, although he came close to the best time in every sector.

They failed to dominate the front row consecutively, however, will start from the favorable positions in the race in the afternoon.



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#5: Tadasuke Makino Position 3rd (QF1 GrpB 1st, QF2 3rd)

Regarding the result of QF1, I adjust the set-up a little bit for QF2.

Since I couldn't feel enough grip on the rear tires, the attack was not the best. Still, starting from the third grid is not bad.

The race format is different from yesterday, so I am eager to win in a row with the total team capabilities.

#6: Kakunoshin Ohta Position 2nd (QF1 GrpA 1st, QF2 2nd)

Because I had a good feeling at Motegi last season and also yesterday, I attended QF with confidence.

I passed QF1 first, and in QF2, I attacked without a mistake, however, my time was behind Yamashita's.

I will discuss with Makino about strategies for the race format today and else, to make an amazing '1-2 finish' two days in a row.