

## DOCOMO TEAM DANDELION RACING Team Release

### Race Report 2025/7/19 Rd-6 FUJI Speedway

Weather: Fine Temperature: 31°C, 22cars

"Super Formula Summer Festival" is now a common feature in the summer time at Fuji Speedway.

Rd6, first one of the two-race event, was about to start with  $30^{\circ}$ C of the air temperature and over  $50^{\circ}$ C of the surface temperature beneath a sunny sky right after Tsuyuake.

Makino starting from the third row made a remarkable start to raise his position, however, outside positioning was bad in First Corner and dropped one position down to 7th.

Ohta overtook one car at the start, and drove in 10th on the opening lap.

After 10 laps, when the pit-stop window opened, the team called Makino into the pits to change tires.

On the other hand, Ohta at a good pace chose to stay out.

Keeping 3rd position among the pit-in group with the first half of 1'25s, Makino reduced the gap to the stay-out group.

The team decided to call Ohta, whose time became the latter half of 1'25s, into the pits.

After changing tires smoothly, he edged out Kobayashi, and recorded the fastest lap at that time to become 10th.

Then, he narrowed the gap to Fraga until coming side by side in First Corner on L32, however, could not overtake.

The positions of Makino and Ohta did not change in the final stage of the race. Makino finished in 5th, and Ohta did in 10th.



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### #5: Tadasuke Makino Position 5th

We couldn't get rid of the lack of rear grip from QF, and the race also became tough.

We failed to utilize the merit of changing tires at the end of L10 at earliest, so we could not develop the race as we expected.

I couldn't have a good feeling as I did in the official test at all, and I'm afraid that the problems in the last race at Autopolice arose again.

We will verify the test data again to prepare for Rd7 tomorrow as a team.

#### #6: Kakunoshin Ohta Position 10th

I had to start from behind because of the mistake in QF, but I had confidence in my race pace, and I did raise my position at the start.

However, because of the pit-stop timing regarding the race development and the many laps where I had to follow the competitors' pace, I couldn't raise my position as I planned.

My race pace itself was good, so if the situation is set, I'm sure I can compete in the top group.

I consider today's feelings positively for the race tomorrow.