

DOCOMO TEAM DANDELION RACING Team Release

Race Report 2025/11/23 Rd-12 SUZUKA circuit

Weather: Fine Temperature: 17°C, 22cars

Audience:5,200/21st (Fri). 28,000/22nd (Sat.). 36,000/23rd (Sun) TOTAL 69,200

The final race of 2025 season was Rd12 in the seventh event of the year, JAF Grand Prix.

After Rd10 and Rd11 in this event, Makino ranked second and Ohta third in the drivers' standings, 9.5 points behind the leader Tsuboi.

They had to mount on the podium at least for winning the championship.

Makino, who started from the 5th grid in the 3rd row, made a remarkable start and raised his position to 3rd.

On the other hand, Ohta kept the 4th position on the opening lap.

When Tsuboi made a pit-stop after L2, the team decided to call Ohta, who was at a deadlock, into the pits on L7.

He succeeded to return onto the track in front of Tsuboi.

Responding to this action, Iwasa in the lead and Fraga headed to the pits next lap.

After their pit-stops, the order was Iwasa, Ohta, then Fraga.

Makino was planning to make a pit-stop around the middle stage of the race, however, since a crash occurred in Chicane on L11 and SC came in, all the drivers who had not changed tires, including Makino, went into the pits.

Makino returned to the track in 4th.

When the race was restarted on L15, Makino was overtaken by Fraga, and dropped his position to 5th.

While the top 5 cars fought a tough battle against each other within 1-sec time difference, Ohta was overtaken by Sato on L17 and became 3rd.

Both Makino and Ohta pushed with all their might without giving up until the final lap. Finally, Ohta finished 3rd and Makino ended up in 5th.

In the 2025 drivers' standings, Ohta ranked 3rd and Makino 4th.

DOCOMO TEAM DANDELION RACING won the 2025 team champion title.



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#5: Tadasuke Makino Position 5th (4th in 2025 Drivers' Standings)

I made a good start to raise my position.

Watching Ohta's strategy, I delayed my pit-stop to catch up from behind with fresh tires, however, the SC situation worked against me and I couldn't develop the race according to the strategy.

This season, I was in the competition for the championship until the final race. Looking back, however, I couldn't finish in the top group in several races, and that is why I failed to win the championship.

I'm glad that I could contribute to the second consecutive team championship, one of the team's goals.

I will improve myself to win the 'double titles' next season.

I applicate my fans and the sponsors who supported me well, and my team which provided me with the best environment this season.

#6: Kakunoshin Ohta Position 3rd (3rd in 2025 Drivers' Standings)

My strategy was good, but I did not reach Iwasa.

In this event at Suzuka, failing to take pole positions was affected adversely.

I had been always focusing on winning the championship, so I am disappointed that I ended up in third place in the drivers' standings.

I'm glad that I contributed with three wins to my team which let me and Makino compete in our own ways all through the season.

Next season, I will be quicker and show you much more exciting races.

DOCOMO TEAM DANDELION RACING: 2025 season Team Champion