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April 11th, 2022

TEAM MUGEN

SUPER FORMULA RACE REPORT

#15 Sasahara scored the pole position!

**#1 Nojiri made a persistent drive and
won the 2nd place on podium!**

2022 Japanese SUPER FORMULA Championship Round 1 FUJISPEEDWAY
Course: 4,563 x 41 laps (187.083km)
April 9th, 2022 (Sat) Weather: Fine / Road condition: Dry

■ Qualifying:

#15 Ukyo Sasahara: 1st place / #1 Tomoki Nojiri: 6th place

■ Race:

#1 Tomoki Nojiri: 2nd place / #15 Ukyo Sasahara: 19th place

【Driver: Nojiri】



I thank all the fans and sponsors so much for your continued support in this season. I could win the 2nd place in the opening round. Since I once was leading the race, I cannot deny kind of feeling disappointed at this result, but at the same time I could radically maneuver the car and do everything I could do in this race.

Imagining my win in the race I will do my absolute best in the qualifying to be a front-row starter in the 2nd round tomorrow.

Keep on supporting us, please. Thank you so much

【Driver: Sasahara】



2022 Super Formula has just started. I would highly appreciate the sponsor which decided to support us after an announcement of my participation in the 2022 Super Formula series. I also show my gratitude to the team members, engineers, and mechanics who prepared my car despite the time was so limited.

We had been accumulating driving data from the pre-season testing to this qualifying and took part in the qualifying with such data. As the result, I could win the

pole position. I was so happy and surprised by myself. I am also glad to welcome my parents to this race.

I was a bit nervous since I started the race from the center of the front-row. It was disappointing that I stalled at starting grid. I then restarted but due to too much boost, a left-rear tire got punctured midway through the race and had no choice but to go back to the pit. I continued to do my best to gain driving data for the 2nd round, though.

I was satisfied with my driving and the pace was good. I believe I can do my best in the qualifying and race tomorrow. Cheer us up, please.

【Director: Tanaka】

Just before the season began, we made a decision to welcome Sasahara as a second driver. TEAM MUGEN is proud of having reigning Super Formula champion Tomoki Nojiri and a rookie Ukyo Sasahara as our drivers. I would like to express deep gratitude to sponsors, and all the people concerned for supporting two-car team. I also thank all the team members for their preparation of the car in limited time frame!

He did it! Sasahara did win the pole position in the qualifying of the opener Fuji! This is the very first time for him to win the pole position in the qualifying of the opening round as a regular driver of TEAM MUGEN. We as a team are so happy to prove his driving potential.

He could not show the best result in the race due to stall at the starting grid, but we could confirm his fast race pace then want fans to look forward to his performance in the 2nd round tomorrow.

On the other hand, Nojiri made a subtle mistake to set up the car and ended up the race in the 6th place. But at least he showed his will for winning the race till the end and won the 2nd place on the podium as a result. I am satisfied with this result and believe today's performance will contribute to 2nd round.

We, all the team members will be united to work for scoring the best result in the 2nd round tomorrow. Please continue to support us.







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#1 Nojiri proudly took lights-to-flag win in new season!

2022 Japanese SUPER FORMULA Championship Round 2 FUJISPEEDWAY
Course: 4,563 x 41 laps (187.083km)
April 10th, 2022 (Sun) Weather: Fine / Road condition: Dry

■ Qualifying:

#1 Tomoki Nojiri: 1st place / #15 Ukyo Sasahara: 3rd place

■ Race:

#1 Tomoki Nojiri: 1st place / #15 Ukyo Sasahara: 10th place

【Driver: Nojiri】



I could make the very best performance in this opener.
I am extremely happy.

Regret in the previous race motivated me to attack the
qualifying to try to get a pole position and in fact I did.

Since road surface temperature was higher than
yesterday's, we had a difficulty to cope with it. But we
could find a solution earlier than we were afraid. Strategy
was good and I finished the race with a brilliant result.

The season has just begun. I continue to concentrate on my driving and win the race again
at the next round, Suzuka.

I thank all the people concerned including fans for your kind support.

【Driver: Sasahara】



I could make a decent performance and won the 3rd place. I believe we could show the speed and superior performance of the team.

But I again stalled at the starting grid. So regrettable. We need to figure out the reason why such accidents happened twice to win the race in the 3rd round.

Compared to other competitors my pace in the opening and 2nd round was not bad so then I could do my best to the end.

Pit practice was thankfully so quick that I could move up my position. I by myself overtook some cars and could finish the race in the 10th place.

I would like to make the most of today's experience and stand on the podium in the next round. I would express my gratitude towards the fans, sponsors, Honda people, and team members.

Please continue to support us.

【Director: Tanaka】

Nojiri did took lights-to-flag win! He showed a stable performance throughout the race and grabbed a victory! In the qualifying and the race yesterday Sasahara was faster than Nojiri slightly. And then setup of #15 was adopted for #1 and Nojiri showed brilliant performance in both the qualifying and race. I could realize an advantage and merit of having two cars.

All the team members were pressured if they can continue to show their strength of the team in this season again. And then Sasahara's pole position yesterday and Nojiri's lights-to-flag win today. The team applaudably showed the best results.

Sasahara again stalled at the staring grid. Judging from the situation at that moment, we cannot simply blame control of driver. We will make analysis at the factory and find out the cause and find solution for it. Since both cars were fast over this weekend, I am confident that we can show a good result at the next round Suzuka

I could be convinced that our team in this season again is quite competitive. We will be united to seek for Nojiri's series champion in a row and team title in this season.

Please keep on supporting us!





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