

TEAM Red Bull MUGEN SUPER GT RACE REPORT

**The race ended with various issues left
The final round would hopefully be beneficial
one for the next season**

2022 AUTOBACS SUPER GT Round 7 FAV HOTEL AUTOPOLIS GT 300km RACE
Course: 4,674 x 65 laps (303.81km)
October 1st, 2022 (Sat) Weather: Fine / Road condition: Dry
October 2nd, 2022 (Sun) Weather: Fine / Road condition: Dry

■ October 1st (Sat) Qualifying:

Q1: Ukyo Sasahara 11th place / GT500 class 11th place

[Driver Sasahara]



Round 7 qualifying session has just ended. The result was 11th place. We confirmed setup at free session but adjusted a bit for the qualifying. Since we recorded the fastest time, I had confidence from the start of the qualifying session.

I was in charge of Q1 and took it for granted that I would pass Q1 in the top group naturally or even win the pole under the condition at that moment. In fact, I had a good feeling on the car balance when in time attack and was certain that I passed Q1 but in reality, you know, the result as it was. I seriously did not understand what was going on, what had happened at that time.

It being different from feeling in Sugo, I was perplexed. We will analyze the outcome of this qualifying and try to get better position in the race. Please keep on supporting us.



【Driver Oyu】

The Result of the qualifying was miserable. Since all the team members were ready to win, but something was wrong in the team. We all felt regretful for such a result.

But at least recent race results were not bad, and we had a good feeling in the morning session. We would like to differentiate the race from the qualifying and do our best. We will show our machine overtaking other competitors in front of all the fans as they expect and do our best as one team. Please cheer us up.



【Director Tanaka】

Since we recorded the fastest time in the morning free session and had good feeling on the machine condition, we believed we would pass Q1, but we suffered a disappointing defeat in the end. None of the GT500 machines could get a chance for time attack due to a red flag. Because of it we could not grasp our potential correctly.

But at least we were competitive in the qualifying session, we will improve our performance, reboot our minds, and get ready for the race. Please continue to support us.

■ October 2nd (Sun) Race: GT500 class 12th place

【Driver Sasahara】



Since I wanted to seize a chance to overtake other cars, I tried to boost the car after tire change, but could not make it and then continued to try various methods but failed to show a favorable result in the end.

A tire went flat due to debris in the middle of the race, and we had no choice but to make second pit stop for the tire change. We could find out many issues compared to other cars in this race. I was reminded that we need to change for the next round.

This season is to end eventually with one round left. We need to show our very best to end this season happily. We will work hard as one team. Please continue to support us.

【Driver Oyu】

I believe I could show the best performance in today's race. But there were some issues with the car and myself, including at my stint, we could not show a good result and finished the race with down to 12th place. I feel so disappointed.

We barely gained points and our performance was not stable though our performance in some races was not bad. We will never give up the final round and show the best performance.

Please cheer us up.



【Director Tanaka】

Since we could show satisfactory performance somehow in the previous races Suzuka and Sugo, we kind of expected for the good result. But we could not show satisfactory performance at all. We feel deeply sorry for the sponsors and fans. AUTOPOLIS circuit course is quite harsh for the car and tires. Then we prepared for it, but not enough. We have to make sure to improve the car for the next round.

Since we have only one round left in this season, we will do everything we can do for the next season. Thank you for your support in advance.



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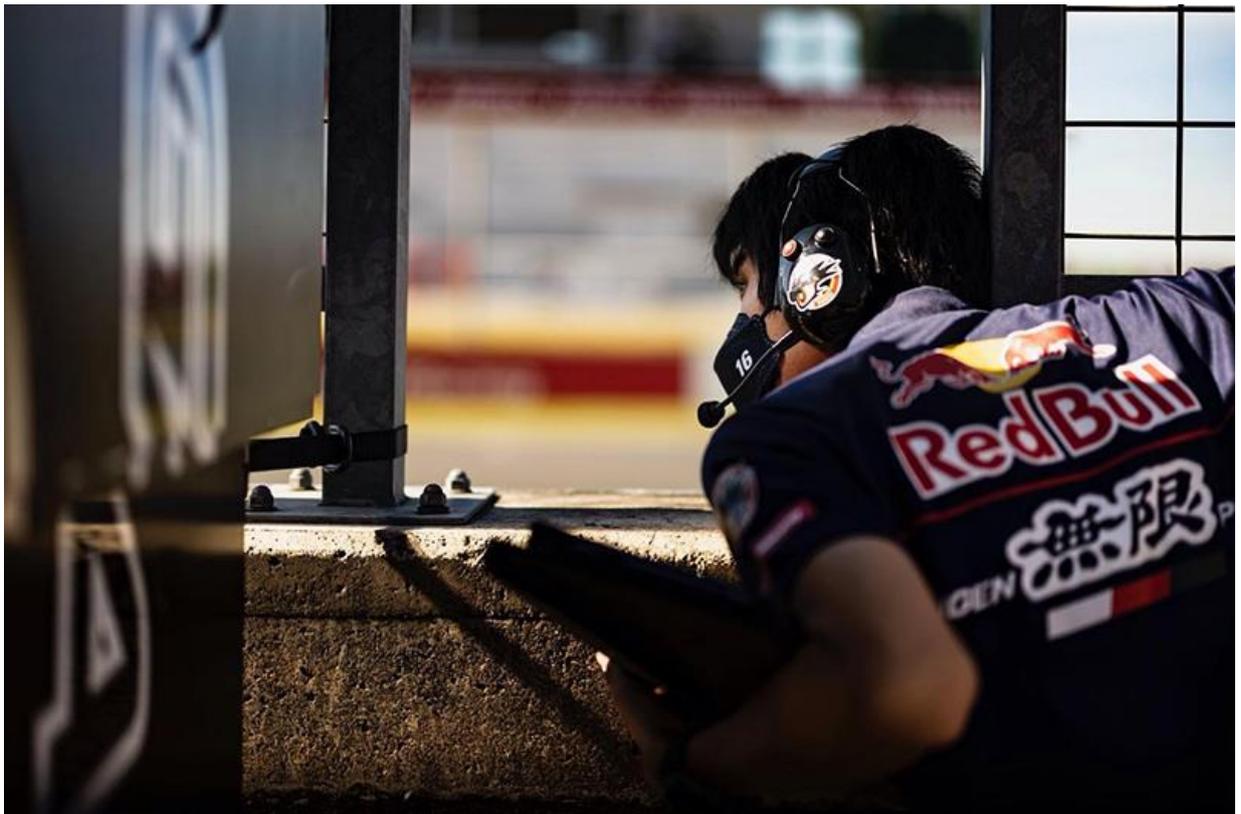
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