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TEAM MUGEN AUTOBACS

2026 SUPER FORMULA Round 10 FUJI Race Report

A Chaotic, Incident-Filled Race #1 Iwasa Claims a Brilliant Victory, His First of the Season!

Series: 2026 Japanese SUPER FORMULA Championship - Round 10

Event: 2026 Japanese SUPER FORMULA Championship - Rounds 9 & 10

Distance: 4,563 m x 41 laps (187.083 km or 75 minutes)

Qualifying: Sunday, October 11, 2026, 10:00- Weather: Fine / Track: Dry

Race: Sunday, October 11, 2026, 15:00- Weather: Fine / Track: Dry

■ QUALIFYING SUMMARY

Under clear skies on Sunday morning, as on the previous day, qualifying for Round 10 took place. Both TEAM MUGEN AUTOBACS cars advanced to Q2. After making major setup changes overnight, #1 Iwasa narrowly missed pole position and qualified second, while #16 Nojiri secured seventh on the grid.

■ RACE SUMMARY

The race proved to be an exceptionally chaotic contest, with incidents occurring one after another. By the finish, eight cars had retired, and 15 of the 41 laps had been completed behind the Safety Car.

As on the previous day, the race started at exactly 15:00.

Starting from second on the grid, #1 Iwasa took the lead with a pass into Turn 1. He made his tire change on lap 20.

Although two Safety Car periods followed incidents involving





other cars, he never surrendered the lead and drove through to the finish to claim his long-awaited first victory of the season.

Meanwhile, #16 Nojiri started from seventh but, as on the previous day, struggled with tire grip and was unable to build pace. He gradually lost ground and at one point dropped to 14th, but recovered in the second half of the race to finish seventh.

With one of his rivals retiring, the championship battle will continue to the final round at Suzuka. With a slim chance still remaining, TEAM MUGEN AUTOBACS will take on the challenge of securing a come-from-behind title for #1 Iwasa.

Sunday, October 11

■ QUALIFYING (Fine / Dry)

#1 Iwasa: 2nd

#16 Nojiri: 7th

■ RACE (Fine / Dry)

#1 Iwasa: Winner

#16 Nojiri: 7th

[#1 IWASA]

Round 10 is over, and we won! It has been a very long road. We spent much of this season struggling purely with performance. There were races where it looked as though we could win but could not quite put everything together, so I am delighted that we finally achieved the victory. It is also my first win at Fuji, which makes me extremely happy.

We struggled from the beginning of the weekend, and Friday and Saturday did not feel satisfactory. From Saturday night, however, everyone on the team tried new ideas and took on major challenges. As a result, we were able to move the car





in a positive direction. I have nothing but gratitude for the team for making such a big step, and I am truly grateful to all the fans who have continued supporting us.

The final round at Suzuka is still ahead. I will do everything I can to complete the weekend in the best possible way and finish with a pole-to-win victory. Thank you for your continued support.

[#16 NOJIRI]

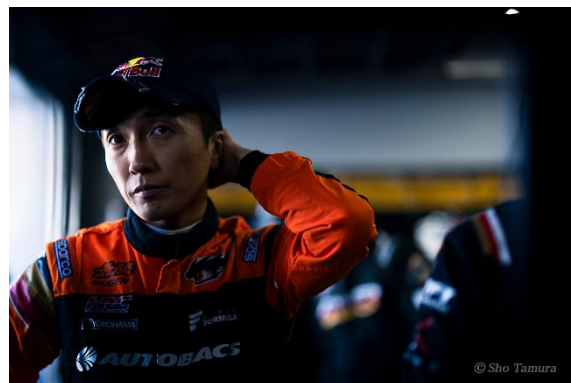
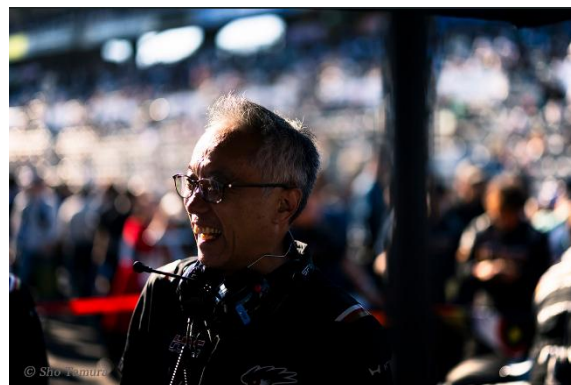
I finished Round 10 in seventh, the same position in which I qualified. It was a somewhat difficult race weekend. We improved certain areas compared with yesterday, but we have not fully resolved the issues we are facing. We will meet as a team from tomorrow and continue working toward solutions. The next race is the final round. I will do my best to take pole position and win at Suzuka, so please continue supporting us. Thank you.

[TEAM DIRECTOR TANAKA]

We entered Round 10 with no room to spare in the championship, so I am extremely pleased that Iwasa secured the team's first victory of the season. I appreciate Iwasa's strong drive and the efforts of the staff who prepared such a fast car. Above all, I believe this result was made possible by the fans who believed in our team and supported us through the final lap. Thank you very much.

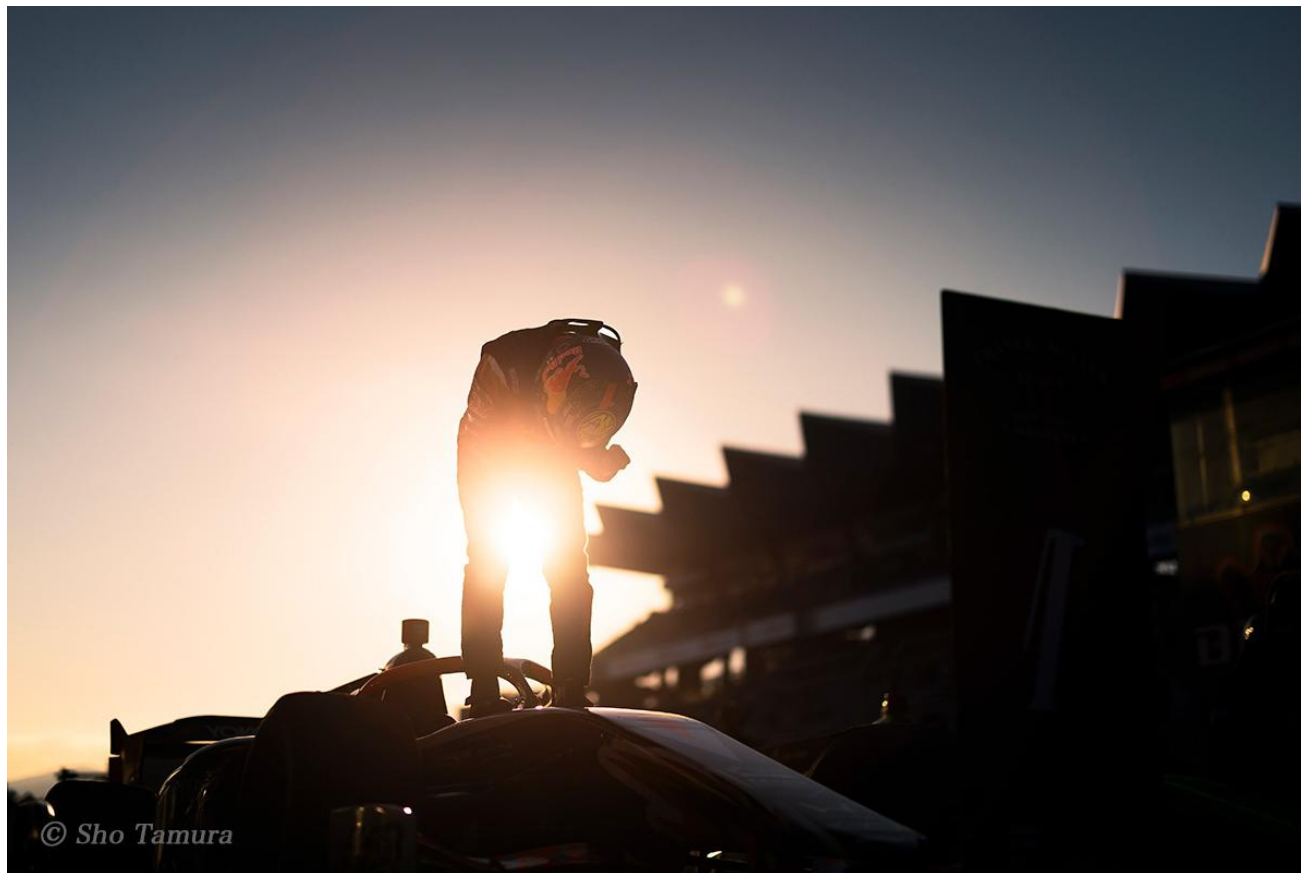
Because this was such an incident-filled race, we were able to keep our championship hopes alive heading into the final round at Suzuka. At Suzuka, the entire team will give everything in pursuit of the championship.

For Nojiri, however, we were unable to fully unlock the car's potential throughout the weekend, resulting in a difficult race. As a team, we are sorry to Nojiri and to all his fans. At the final round in Suzuka, we will do our utmost to show everyone the fast Nojiri once again. Thank you for your continued support.





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