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Two days of excitement and laughter! Bicycle and Tyrannosaurus! Two great races!

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Are your hands sweating? Full of laughter?



Clatter. Swoosh. The sound of changing gears and the sound of wind cutting. The 3rd Jatco presents Mt. Fuji Cycle Road Race 2024 Fuji Criterium Championship, where visitors could experience up close the heated races featuring Japan's top athletes, was held on March 2nd and 3rd in Fuji City, where JATCO sponsored.

Another race aimed at laughing and becoming healthy is "Fuji Tirano DASH!" ~Run, Laugh, Stay Healthy~" was held at Fuji City Central Park, adjacent to the Mt. Fuji Cycle Road Racecourse.

This issue reports on two races that were held simultaneously.

● Mt. Fuji Cycle Road Race 2024

This year marks the third time for the Mt. Fuji Cycle Road Race. This tournament, in which JATCO has served as the title sponsor for the third consecutive year, attracted approximately 250 athletes from all over the country. A total of 15,000 spectators visited Fuji City over the two days.

☑ Qualifying Round (held on March 2nd)

The qualifying session on the first day was held at Fujikawa Airfield, with six athletes participating from the local professional cycling team "Levante Fuji Shizuoka", which is supported by JATCO. Three players, Mario Takanashi, Ryota Tokoi, and Ever Saur, obtained tickets to the finals the next day.

In addition, during the costume parade run before the tournament, "JATCOsaurus" ran around on tricycles, adding excitement to the tournament.



Photos from the qualifying session "Courtesy of Mt. Fuji Cycle Road Race Executive Committee"



Courtesy of Mt. Fuji Cycle Road Race Executive Committee" JATCO saurus" running wild

☑The heated final (held on March 3)

The finals on the second day of the tournament were held on Fuji Aoba Dori, the main street in Fuji City where Fuji City Hall is located. In the exchange race in which athletes who unfortunately missed out on qualifying the day before took part, Takato Natsume of Levante Fuji Shizuoka won the race by winning the last 200m sprint. He accomplished his revenge! congratulations!

And then there's the Fuji Criterium Championship finals. The race was exciting, with the leading group running away from the start. On the final lap, Mario Takanashi, a local from Fujinomiya, jumped out of the pack and the spectators got excited. As a player on a local professional team, he put on a show and made the tournament even more exciting. Unfortunately, he didn't win the game, but let's look forward to his future success!



You can even hear the players' breathing at this close distance.



Great escape of the leading group. There were many spectators along the route. Mount Fuji is also beautiful!

The final course. In the event area, Fuji Tyranno DASH! was also held at the same time.

● Fuji Tyranno DASH! ~Run, laugh and stay healthy~

Fuji Tyranno DASH on the same day as the Mt. Fuji cycle road race final! The "Run, Laugh, and Be Healthy" event was held at Fuji City Central Park, where 51 colorful Tyrannosaurus Rex animals gathered, mainly from Fuji City companies and local high school students. This event was the first race held as part of our social contribution activities, focusing on the health benefits of laughter and encouraging people in the local community to become healthy through laughter.

From JATCO, the CEO, executives, general manager, and employees wore Tyranno suits and warmed up the venue with creative dinosaur dances and other performances before the opening ceremony.



They're talking in dinosaur language for some reason. The CEO and executives are also dancing in high spirits.

☑A heartwarming race full of laughter

The race is run by young animals, adult females, and adult males, competing for ranking. In the final of the adult male category, a teacher from a local Fuji City High School won the championship! "I'm happy to be able to reach the peak of my life at such a great tournament!" He commented with joy.

The spectators, both adults and children, including those from the elderly facilities, group homes, and children's homes who were invited, had a great time watching the participants sprint in their Tyranno outfits, making it a warm-hearted competition filled with smiles. The objectives of the tournament appear to have been fully achieved.



☑Special thanks! Fuji City High School students and a group of people wearing green bibs.

The two tournaments held on the same day went off without a hitch and were a great success. This achievement was made possible thanks to the support of approximately 30 students from Fuji City High School and the JATCO volunteers wearing green bibs.

Thank you very much for your cooperation. Let's make Fuji City even more exciting together next year!



● Tournament footage

Finally, we will provide video news from both tournaments. Is there laughter? Are there tears? Check out the exciting tournament.