

Observer report for French Riichi Championship 2016 (RCR, MERS 2)

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Place: Paris, France

Website or other source(s) of information: All information on the website of Magicmahjong.fr:

registration, program, list of participants,...

Participants: 52 players

France: 45 (Réunion island: 1)

Netherlands: 2 Great Britain: 2

Irland: 2 Finland: 1

Playing schedule: 2 days, 7 rounds (4+3) of 90 minutes and an additional deal

Location: "Adélie" bridge club, very comfortable and of easy access (Underground)

Equipment: Blend of Chinese and Japanese mahiong sets, good overall quality. Using sticks this

year is an asset.

Refereeing: Alexis AZOULAI was non-player referee.

Complaints: None.

Information / communication during the tournament:

Visible clock projected from a computer on a screen. A gong clearly informs players of the start and the end of sessions.

The only drawbacks were the laggards at the tables, but this is not the responsibility of the club

Sessions: Excellent playing atmosphere, FFF (Fair-play, Friendly and Fun). Some problems in managing tables and players due to delays with the referee.

Catering: A warm welcome, a copious and varied catering,

Prizes: Very good Prizes for individual ranking (1st, 2nd and 3rd) and for most valuable hand of the tournament, and complimentory prizes EMA observer. The 4th and 5th received a prize also, at the time of the draw for the courses, there are 20 players who have received the japanese figurines, and 5 people who received either: the film coffrert, or boxes of chocolate

Conclusion: Very nice tournament in Paris with no major problems to be noticed and all minor issues that are bound to happen in a live event addressed as quickly as possible. Why not 8 hanchan next time?

Very convivial as a tournament