



Observer report for Great Wave 2017 (RCR, MERS 2)

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Date: March 25th – 26th 2017

Place: Helsinki, Finland

Website or other source(s) of information: All information on the website mahjong.ayy.fi: registration, program, list of participants,...

Participants: 36 players

Finland: 29

Russia: 2

Slovakia: 2

UK: 1

Sweden: 1

Ukraine: 1

Playing schedule: 2 days, 8 rounds (4+4) of 90 minutes, 75 minute with 15 minutes for finishing the game

Location: Aalto University Energy Garage. Easily reached from city center by bus. Room was big enough, but tables were quite close each other. Tables were placed on one side of the room and on the opposite side served as a snack/break area. Wi-fi available.

Equipment: All tables used a standard Japanese sets. Scoring sticks were used and extra stick could be borrowed from the referee

Refereeing: One non-playing referee

Complaints: None.

Possible Learning Points: The score sheet should be explained, because it was not standard score sheet and was little confusing on first sight * Timetable and seating should be printed and hang on the wall or put on the table in break area

Information / communication during the tournament:

Visible clock was showed on the TV screen. A sound clearly informs players of the end of sessions. Ranking up to date between each session.

Sessions: FFF (Fair-play, Friendly and Fun).

Catering: Lunch in the same place (Saturday - taco wrap and meat/vegetables; Sunday - meat with smash potato), various soft drinks, coffee, tea, snacks and sweets were available during tournament.

Prizes: Trophies for individual ranking (1st, 2nd and 3rd).

Conclusion: Very nice and well organised tournament in Helsinki.