

Observer report for Tri Nitro Tournament 2017 (RCR, RERS 1)

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Place: Puteaux, France

Website or other source of information : All informations on the website of TNT Tri Nitro Tiles : registration, program, list of participants,...and also explanations and pictures to get to the location. http://tnt-rcr.com/2017/08/tri-nitro-tournament-5th-detonation/

Participants: 24 players from 2 countries (France: 23, United Kingdom: 1)

Playing schedule: 1 day, 4 hanchans of 90 minutes.

Location : The "Tennis du Chemin Vert" room in Puteaux (Paris) is large enough to host 24 players for game and lunch.

Equipment: Japanese mahijong sets and junkmats with counting sticks, all of adequate quality.

Refereeing: Simon Picard was non-player referee.

Complaints: None about the game.

3 minor issues only from a few players:

1/ Car park was very expensive: 4 euro for 1 hour (on sundays!). The free car park in front of the room announced at the creation of the tournament was finally impossible because of the safety requirement ("plan vigipirat"). The organizer was confused.

2/ Not enough vegetables for the lunch (but there were some salads).

3/ The room organization was on short notice (to install tables, games, computer,...) so the organizer was a little stressed at the beginning of the tournament to welcome the participants.

Information / communication during the tournament : Visible clock projected from a computer on the wall. A jingle clearly informs players of the end of sessions. Ranking up to date between each session projected on the wall.

Sessions: Good playing atmosphere, FFF (Fair-play, Friendly and Fun). The referee was really attentive and helpful for all the tables during the sessions. Every player thought the breaks between each session were too long (30 minutes) so the organizer agreed to anticipate all the afternoon sessions (15 minutes earlier each one).

Catering: Lunch in the same place: good sandwiches to compose with fresh bread and various cold meats and salmon, fresh drinks, coffee, tea, and very good dessert (home made!). There was more than enough food and drinks for all the players.

Prizes : Nice presents for individual ranking (1st, 2nd and 3rd), and complimentory prizes for referee and EMA observer.

Conclusion : Nice tournament in Puteaux in a spacy room and really quiet place with a garden. The organizer Olivier Cao and the Tri Nitro team did their best to offer a pleasant tournament.