



Observer report for Swedish open 2022 (MCR, MERS 2)

Observer: Erwan de KERGOMMEAUX (Fr)

Date: September 24th – 25th 2022

Place: Gothenburg, Sweden.

Website or other source(s) of information: All information on the website of Mahjong Sweden (<https://www.svenskmahjong.se/pages/mcr-2022>) : registration, program, list of participants, location, name of the referee...

Participants: 24 players from 5 different countries as follow :

Sweden	Belgium	Austria	Switzerland	France
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Playing schedule: 2 days, 7 rounds (4+3) of 115 minutes and the last hand finished to the end.

Location: Ericsson building, Lindholmspiren 11, Göteborg. Very nice and very spacious location in a professional building with all the accommodations, near to the bus and ferry station. Players were host comfortably, with sofas and snacking place.



Equipment: A mixture of tournament style mahjong sets and different tables decks.

Refereeing: Astrid DUDEBOUT was non-player referee. A non-player assistant was there also to help if necessary.

Complaints: None.

Information / communication during the tournament:

Information was clear and well communicated before (on the website) and throughout the tournament. Global information was given to all participants during the tournament opening meeting, which included the welcome messages to the players, the tournament schedules, the assignment of the referees and the observer for the tournament, and other rules and instructions about the event.

Visible clock projected to a large TV ; every player could see it well. A gong clearly informs players of the start and the end of sessions. Ranking was updated between each session, visible on the TV and also a special website easily to use with a smartphone.

Sessions: Excellent playing atmosphere, FFF (Fair-play, Friendly and Fun). Each player faced 21 different opponents ; no one has played the same opponent twice.

Catering: Lunch in the same place (different kind of Bowl) the Saturday ; Indian restaurant at 5mn for the Sunday with 3 choices (Chicken, Vegan, Vegetarian). Free snacking with water, tea, coffee, cookies, fruits, ... was also available between the rounds.

Prizes: Trophies for individual ranking (1st, 2nd and 3rd), one for the best Swedish player, and one more for the best hand.



Conclusion: Very nice tournament in Gothenburg, with a good weather. It is a pity that there were no players from neighboring or close countries such as Denmark, Norway, Germany.



Lyon, France, 27th September 2022.

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