

## Observer report for Welsh Red Dragon Riichi Tournament 2023 (Riichi)

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Date: October 14th - 15th 2023

Place: Cardiff, Wales

**Website or other source(s) of information:** All information on the website (https://jankenron.co.uk/) : registration, program, list of participants,...

Participants: 40 players (UK 31, DK 2, SE 1, PL 1, FR 2, ES 2, IR 1)

Playing schedule: 2 days, 8 rounds (5+3) of 75 minutes (plus finishing hand and one more)

Location: Bridge Club. Room large enough for around 50 players.

**Equipment:** Games were in excellent condition. Bridge-tables with added junk-mats were used. Nice chairs and side-tables.

Refereeing: Gemma Sakamoto and Martin Lester were playing referees.

## Complaints: None.

## Information / communication during the tournament:

Visible clock projected from a computer on a large screen. End and beginning of sessions clearly announced by mouth. Ranking up to date between each session, available online and on projector.

**Sessions:** Excellent playing atmosphere, FFF (Fair-play, Friendly and Fun), lots of new players meant slightly more noise and slower play but nothing problematic.

Catering: Hot Lunch in the same place . coffee, tea, water and snacks available.

**Prizes:** Trophies for individual ranking (1st, 2nd ,  $3^{rd}$  and  $4^{th}$ ), as well as for best individual hand and most improved after day 1.