

Observer report for Double Riichi - Mou Ikkai 2023 (Riichi, MERS 1)

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Place: Saint-Pierre, Réunion Island (France)

Website or other source(s) of information: All information on the website (<u>https://frmj-reunion.webador.fr/double-riichi</u>) : registration, program, list of participants,...

Participants: 20 players

Teams of 2 players were made. 2 players of the same team do not face each other during the tournament.

Represented Countries: All the 20 players belonged to the French Federation (Réunion Island)

Playing schedule: 1 day, 5 rounds (2+3) of 75 minutes (plus finishing hand and one more)

Location: The room is large enough to host 20 players and leave enough space between them. There were other rooms for the catering.

Equipment: Games sets and tables were in good condition. Each table had a laminated yaku list + scoring table and a laminated orasu sheet + a whiteboard pen.

Refereeing: Fabrice BOYER was non-player referee.

Complaints: None.

Information / communication during the tournament:

Visible clock projected from a computer on a screen. Referee clearly informs players of the start and end of the sessions. Ranking up to date between each session projected on a wall.

Sessions: Excellent playing atmosphere, FFF (Fair-play, Friendly and Fun). One player had a car breakdown on his way to the tournament so the first hanchan was played by a substitute player.

Catering: Breakfast available at the beginning of the day. Drinks and snacks available during breaks. Lunch was served in another room. Closing cocktail at the end of the day. The meals were highly appreciated by the players.

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

1 bookmark gift for every player.

Small extra prizes for 2 players who drew the gold and silver-colored bookmarks



Conclusion: Very nice tournament. This was the second tournament of the "Double Riichi" paired tournaments.

The cumulative results were announced at the end of this tournament.