



Observer report for Chowtime 2014 (MCR, MERS 3)

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Date: July 6th – 7th 2024

Place: Vilejuif, France

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

Participants: 68 players

Represented countries: France 44, Italy 11, Netherlands 5, Switzerland 3, European guests 2, Germany 1, Spain, Russian 1.

Playing schedule: 2 days, 7 rounds (4+3) of 110 minutes

Location: Villejuif, France

Equipment: We played with various games and tables

Refereeing: Marion Hoarau, was non-player referee.

Complaints: Multiple players complained about the duration of the rounds (110 minutes), which they found to be too short. This is not the first time that this remark occurs at this tournament.

Information / communication during the tournament:

Visible clock projected from a computer on a screen. A gong clearly informs players of the start and the end of sessions. Before the first session, the referee recalled the main rules. Ranking up to date between each session, projected on a screen.

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

Catering: Coffee/tea, water, soft drinks, beer, fruits and snacks were included in the registration fee.

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

Conclusion: Due to the political changes happening in the country at the time, the organising team had to change venues, readjust the number of participants and lunches. Despite that fact, the tournament went very well and without problems. Excellent atmosphere and tournament.