



**Observer report for Yuki no Taikai MERS**

**Observer:** Foppe Bakker

**Date:** 25 January 2025

**Place:** Oss, The Netherlands

**Website or other source(s) of information:**

The website of “Schoonspel” showed clearly the following information: Location, Registration, Program, Participants.

**Participants:** 56

**Represented countries**

The Netherlands	Belgium	Germany	Great Britain
38	15	2	1

**Playing schedule:** 1 days,4 hanchan of 75 minutes

**Location:** Wijkcentrum Schadewijk, the hall was large enough to host 56 players (14 tables) and leave enough walking space between the tables.

**Equipment:** The playing materials, tables, tiles and sticks, were in good shape.

**Refereeing:** Jacqueline and Martijn Gulmans acted as playing referees.

**Complaints:** None.

**Information / communication during the tournament:**

A digital visible clock projected the time. Starting a hanchan was performed by countdown from 10 to 1 seconds and one beep. After 75:00 minutes the clock beeped to inform the players to finish their hanchan. Ranking up to date between each hanchan, printed and posted on walls. Information at the start of the tournament as well as during the tournament was well performed.

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

**Catering:** After each hanchan players could go to another room where snacks were served. Lunch (Soup, sandwiches, snacks) was performed in a separate room.

**Prizes:** Trophies for individual ranking (1st, 2nd and 3<sup>rd</sup>).

**Conclusion:** Very nice tournament in Oss, well organised by “Schoonspel” members.