



Observer report for Lyon Open 2025 (MCR, MERS 2)

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Place: Lyon, France

Website or other source(s) of information: All information on the website of Mahjong Club du Rhone : registration, program, list of participants.

Participants: 92 players

Playing schedule: 2 days, 7 rounds (4+3) of 115 minutes

Location: The game area was .

Equipment: standard games and tables provided. However, some game sets were a little sticky (probably from multiple previous tournaments usage) and should be cleaned.

Refereeing: Erwan DE KERGOMMEAUX  Loïc DE KERGOMMEAUX  Marion HOARAU  were the player referees.

Complaints: None.

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. Ranking up to date between each session and shown on the screen.

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

Catering: Lunch at the same venue and was good quality. drinks and fruits were provided as well. However, only fruits were provided for the 2 tea break sessions on Day 1. I believe there was feedback provided to the organisers and cakes were provided on Day 2.

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

Conclusion: Very well organised event with clear communication between organisers and players throughout registration and payment period. Venue is a little far from Lyon city center (almost 1hr 15mins by public transport). But