



Observer report for Réunion 2011 (MCR, MERS 2)

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Place: Saint-Denis, Réunion

Website or other source(s) of information: All information on the website of Mahjong (<https://frmj-reunion.webador.fr/saison-2025-2026/mji-mcr-open-2025>) registration, program, list of participants,...

Participants: 56 players, all French

Playing schedule: 1 day, 4 rounds of 115 minutes+ finishing the current hand

Location: The salle polyvalente de la Bretagne room is large enough to host all players and leave enough space between them.

Equipment: On the first table of the day, a game contained 5 examples of the 9 of character and 3 of the 8 of character. The players (Emmanuelle Lock-Koon, Sylvie Gigant, Catherine Xanthopoulos and Christophe Robert) realised at the second game of the north wind when 1 tile was discarded then a player made a pung of three other tiles then a fifth was discarded. Emmanuelle Lock-Koon had won a hand with last tile using four examples thereof. After the discovery, the referee made them change games.

Refereeing: Pierre Yeung Let Cheong was non-player referee.

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 projected from a computer on a screen.

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

Catering:

Breakfast (viennoiseries, bread, butter, ham, cheese; fruit juice, coffee, tea, water)

lunch (Chinese takeaway: chop suey and tomato rougail / chilli + Coca Cola, water, Fanta; ice cream and mandarines)

evening snacks (crisps, bonbon piment, bouchons, olives, samosas, piment chinois, soy sauce; Orangina, Cot, Diego) in the same place.

Prizes: Trophies and Comtesse de Barry products like alcohol-free wine and salmon rillettes for individual ranking (1st, 2nd and 3rd), and more for the volunteers, including referee, supervisor and computing assistant

Conclusion: Nice tournament in Saint-Denis.