

Observer report for Rhododenron Mahjong Open (MERS-1)

Observer: Robert Rijnders

Date: June 12

Place: Westerstede, hotel (Sonnenhof) at the venue.

Website or other source(s) of information: All info on the website of the Deutsche Mah-Jongg Liga incl. subscription form and list of participants. E-mail a couple of days before the tournament, with useful info.

Participants: 40 (DE 30, NL 9, PT 1)

Playing schedule: 4 rounds of 90 minutes

Location: Main 'conference' room on the ground floor, big enough to have extra tables for lunch and 'Kaffee und Kuchen'.

Equipment: Mahjong tables and big tiles.

Refereeing: Frauke Roos was the referee and she had again practically nothing to do ☺

Complaints: None.

Information / communication during the tournament:

Small (on a laptop screen) but visible clock / timer, results were available before the next round started (printed copy).

Catering: Lunch included in entrance fee was fine (hot: soup, meat, potatoes, et etcetera), drinks not included. 'Kaffee und Kuchen' between rounds 3 & 4.

Prices: Certificate and trophies (engraved set of glasses) for 1 – 3 and the by now traditional DMJL mugs for the round winners.

Conclusion: Another well organized, smooth tournament in a friendly atmosphere.