



OBSERVER REPORT  
French Riichi  
Championship

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**DATE:** December 15 & 16 - 2012

**PLACE:** Paris

**WEBSITE:** [www.magicmahjong.fr](http://www.magicmahjong.fr)

**PARTICIPANTS:**

France	37
Holland	5
Great Britain	4
Denmark	3
Finland	2
Japan	2
Belgium	1
Germany	1
Ireland	1

**PLAYING SCHEDULE:**

Round 1	Saturday	11:00-12:30
Round 2	Saturday	13:30-15:00
Round 3	Saturday	15:30-17:00
Round 4	Saturday	17:30-19:00
Round 5	Sunday	9:30-11:00
Round 6	Sunday	11:30-13:00
Round 7	Sunday	14:00-15:30

**EQUIPMENT:**

8 true riichi games, 6 mcr games with replacement tiles with red five stickers.

Square tables with all but one had edges, so the tiles didn't fall off the table. One table with cloth.

Computer for standings and big screen for easy overview of standings between the rounds.

**REFEREE:** Quentin Porcherot

**COMPLAINTS:** None

**INFORMATION/COMMUNICATION DURING THE**

**TOURNAMENT:** Good. Had both French and English presentation of given information. One round missed the standings, since there was some technical issues with the

tournament software and penalties. Was solved to acceptable level for the following rounds.

Gong for starting and ending the rounds.

**SESSIONS:** 7 rounds of 1 hour 30 minutes

**CATERING:** individual preordered food for Saturday and sandwiches for Sunday. There was always free drinks and snacks between the rounds.

**PRIZES:**

1st prize

2nd prize

3rd prize

Best French player

Special yakuman prize in each round

**CONCLUSION:**

The tournament was held in a nice bridge club that had just enough space for 14 tables with good space for players and chairs.

There was a few hiccups in the organisation, but everything was fixed really quick, so it never became an issue.

The atmosphere was really friendly and i felt everybody had a good time and enjoyed the tournament.

I think it was a shame that there was no trophy or medal for the winners, but they did receive some really nice prizes as rewards.