



Observer report for ERMC 2013 European Mahjong Championship (RCR, MERS 5)

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Date: September 18th – September 22nd 2013

Place: Bad Vöslau, Austria

Website or other source(s) of information: All information on the website of Great Dragons : registration, program, list of participants,...

Participants: 96 players

Playing schedule: 1 day 1. Team Europa Meisterschaft, 5 rounds ; 3 days ERMC 10 rounds (2 + 5 +3) of 90 minutes

Location: The Weingut Schlossberg in Bad Vöslau. We played in a vaulted cellar.

Equipment: We played with new games and tables.

Refereeing: Tina Christensen was head referee.

Complaints: No relevant complaint. Everybody made a standing ovation for the organiser, Alexander Doppelhofer before the Prizes ceremony.

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, printed and posted on walls. Every player received a file with the list of all players, and the list of all tables with the name and number of the players.

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

Catering: Lunch at the ground floor with multiple choice of hot meals. Galamenü at the first floor. Between the session we had always something to drink (hot, cold) and to eat. We also had a giant cake with the logo of the tournament, especially made for us.

Prizes: Trophies for individual ranking (1st, 2nd and 3rd) and for Team ranking. Every player, from the 96th to the 1st received a certificate for his/her participation at the EMRC. Every player also received a nice bag and a bottle of wine (red or white).

Conclusion: Very nice tournament in Bad Vöslau. Very good organisation. The visit of the Weingut was interesting, and the international wine tasting was fun.