



Observer report for MCR Open Danish Mahjong Championship 2019 (MCR, MERS)

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Date: May 31st – June 2nd 2019.

Place: Copenhagen, Denmark.

Website or other source(s) of information: All information on the tournament website (<http://uk.mahjong.dk/activities/dmint/2019/>), including registration, venue, schedule etc.

Participants: 80 players.

Represented countries:

FRA	NED	DEN	SWE	BEL	ITA	SUI	RUS	GER	ESP	SIN	HUN
											
18	15	11	9	7	6	3	3	3	3	1	1

Playing schedule: 3 days, 11 rounds (4+4+3) of 120 minutes.

Location: Haraldsgade 69, Copenhagen. A large 1st floor room with ample space for tables, chairs and players.

Equipment: Standard-issue MCR sets and fold-out Mahjong tables.

Refereeing: Jeppe Stig Nielsen 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, printed and posted on walls.

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

Catering: Snacks, coffee and water between sessions (free), as well as beer and soft drinks (sold at cost). Lunch on all three days at a Chinese restaurant just across the street.

Prizes: Trophies for individual ranking (1st, 2nd, 3rd), teams (1st, 2nd, 3rd) and the best Danish player.

Conclusion: A very well-organized tournament, par for the course for the Danish. Copenhagen remains a highly recommended tournament location.