



Observer report for French Riichi Championship 2015 (RCR, MERS 2)

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Place: Paris, France

Website or other source(s) of information: Information page complete with updates after the tournament here: <http://magicmahjong.fr/index.php/component/content/article/11-tournois/tournois-mers/69-mers-2-rcr-27-28-06-2015>

Participants: 48 players

France: 42 (Réunion island: 1)

Slovakia: 3

Russia: 2

Finland: 1

Playing schedule: 2 days, 7 rounds (4+3) of 90 minutes and an additional deal

Location: "Adélie" bridge club, very comfortable and of easy access

Equipment: Mix of chinese-style and japanese-style mahjong sets, good overall quality but one table didn't have a mat on the first day

Refereeing: Quentin Porcherot was the playing referee.

Complaints: None.

Information / communication during the tournament:

All communication was carried out smoothly and in French and English, with a clock on the wall for players to know the time left. One player was not clearly informed of the licensing requirements but the organization addressed this issue.

Sessions: No problem to be noticed, nice atmosphere

Catering: Take out chinese food on saturday, sandwiches on sunday. Very decent meals with enough to eat for everybody.

Prizes: Prizes for individual ranking (1st, 2nd and 3rd) and for most valuable hand of the tournament, and complimentary prizes for referee and EMA observer.

Conclusion: Very nice tournament with no major problems to be noticed and all minor issues that are bound to happen in a live event addressed as quickly as possible.