

Observer report for Great Wave 2018 (RCR)

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Date: March 24th - 25th 2018

Place: Copenhagen, Denmark

Website or other source(s) **of information:** All information on the website of Aalto Daigaku Maajanbu: registration, program, list of participants,...

EMA calendar linked to overall club page - perhaps would have been better to link directly to the tournament "sub-site".

Participants: 48 players

Playing schedule: 2 days, 8 rounds (4+4) of 90 minutes

Location: Elegant, spacious and architecturally significant 8th-floor room

Equipment: Generally good sets and tables; a few mats were worn and one set showed some

scratches.

Refereeing: One non-player referee.

Complaints: None.

Information / communication during the tournament:

Visible clock projected from a computer on a screen. Ranking up to date between each session on screen. No individual table schedules - players had to look up their tables on a small printout posted on the wall.

Sessions: Good playing atmosphere.

Catering: Fizzy drinks, hot drinks and biscuits; players were left to find lunch themselves but with the central Helsinki location this was not a problem (and obv. reflected in the price).

Prizes: Observer had to rush off to catch flight before prizegiving.