

Observer report for Open Danish Riichi Championship 2019 (Riichi, MERS 3)

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Date: September 28th – 29th 2019

Place: Copenhagen, Denmark

Website or other source(s) of information: All information on the website of Mahjong Denmark:

registration, program, list of participants,...

Participants: 44 players

Represented countries

DEN	NOR	FIN	SWE	UKR	GER	ESP	SVK	
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Playing schedule: 2 days, 8 rounds (5+3) of 90 minutes

Location: The venue is large and spacious, with good facilities and close to a general store for any further needs.

Equipment: We played with good quality sets and tables which all were in good condition, and 3D printed orasu sheets with accompanying pens. Sheets with score tables were provided at all tables.

Refereeing: Tina Christensen 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) and very welcoming for new players.

Catering: Lunch in the same place (sandwiches), drinks and snacks. A good selection of food that meets the needs of all food allergies and dietary choices present.

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

Conclusion: A well hosted tournament with a record number of participants for this tournament. The large increase in participants did not reduce the quality of the tournament at all, and the general mood was good throughout. The Danish organization has been very welcoming and accommodating in the organizing of their tournament.