

NATIONAL CHESS FEDERATION (NCF): Jamaica Chess Federation CONTINENT: Americas DEVELOPMENT LEVEL: 3 PERIOD: 1 April 2021 – 31 December 2021

KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS (KPIs)¹ are the critical (key) indicators of progress toward an intended result.

The NCF is required to measure the effectiveness of its programmes using the KPIs listed below. At the beginning of the period, the NCF is expected to complete both the **Baseline** and **End of Period-target** values. It is possible that a Federation may not be able to report on a particular KPI and this will be taken into consideration at the end of the reporting period. NCFs can also make use of the '**Comments**' field as required. The NCF is also allowed to include any additional KPIs that it considers to be relevant for reporting purposes. When the NCF is preparing its final report for the end of the reporting period, the **Actual** values of the KPIs need to be completed for each KPI identified.

KPI STRUCTURE

The KPIs' shall be divided into 4 main categories as follows:

Core: These KPIs are related to the technical operations of the federation. It includes number of active players, number of tournaments, average player ratings as well as supporting 'infrastructure' e.g. number of arbiters, trainers ETC. Most of this information can be sourced from by FIDE via its website or from the Elista office. This KPI allows FIDE to ascertain the quality/quantity of the players, technical officials events, etc...

Social/Special: These examine the engagement in additional programmes related to the work of other FIDE Commissions and their priorities. These include: females, kids/chess in education, vulnerable groups (refugees, people with special needs, chess in prisons etc.). Federations are encouraged to engage in at least one such programme. This KPI allows federations to fulfil the horizontal goals of FIDE as chess impacts several aspects of society.

Promotion: This includes the focus on the dissemination and profiling of chess activities of the federation and FIDE support. This should include mainstream and social media. It is important that chess activities are highlighted so persons within the wider communities understand the value of chess and the role of FIDE which can increase the opportunities for support.

Partnerships: This includes sponsors, strategic partners whose objectives are aligned to the federation. Strategic partners can include other government agencies, NGOS, media outlets. This KPI tracks the efforts of federations to engage other partners in the support of their mandate so as to build increased sustainability.

Of course, Federations can also include any other KPIs they see as relevant to their operations. The KPIs are listed in the table below.

¹ https://kpi.org/KPI-Basics



Key Performance	Baseline-	End of	End of Period	Comments	
Indicators (KPIs)	2021 ²	Period	Actual		
CORE		_			
Active FIDE rated alovers	Famala 22	Female – 25	Female – 11	Circuificant radiustica due to continued	
Active FIDE-rated players	Female – 22	Female – 25	Female – 11	Significant reduction due to continued Government-imposed restrictions on sporting	
FemaleAll	All - 161	All - 170	All - 42	activities during the period.	
Active players on FIDE List	Female – 22	Female – 25	Female – 11	Significant reduction due to continued	
FemaleAll	All - 161	All - 170	All - 42	Government-imposed restrictions on sporting activities during the period.	
Certified Arbiters-Active	Female – 6	Female – 8	Female – 7	Arbiters carried out activities related to online	
FemaleAll	All - 17	All - 20	All - 30	tournaments. Additional arbiters were trained and certified during the period.	
Certified Trainers-Active	Female – 0	Female – 1	Female – 0	-	
	AU 1	AU 2			
FemaleAll	All - 1	All - 2	All - 1		
Average rating of top 10	Female –	Female – 1650	Female – 1612	Underperformance due to continued	
players	1638.7	All – 2140	All – 2067	Government-imposed restrictions on sporting	
FemaleAll	All – 2113.7			activities during the period.	
FIDE-rated tournaments	Classic – 0	Classic – 0	Classic – 0	Due to continued Government-imposed	
organised	Hybrid – 0	Hybrid – 10	Hybrid – 0	restrictions on sporting activities during the period, only online rapid tournaments could	
ClassicHybrid	Blitz – 0	Blitz – 0	Blitz – 0	be organized. Six of these were done fairly	
 Blitz 	Rapid - O	Rapid - O	Rapid – 0	successfully with international participation in	
• Rapid	Napid - 0	Νάρια - Ο		each.	
Other tournaments-	Online – 12	Online – 20	Online –21	With the focus on dominating COVID, during	
Participation	Local – 0	Local – 10	Local – 6	the period a significant amount of focus was	
Online/Hybrid events			(Online)	placed on organizing and participating in online tournaments.	
Local events	International - 0	International - 0	International –		
 International chess tournaments 	-		15 (Online)		

 2 NCF to populate these fields with the current values of each KPI as at the beginning of the programme/project period.



FIDE				
Affiliated clubs	7	7	7	-
SOCIAL/SPECIAL				
Programmes (Females, Education, Prisons, refugees etc)	0	1	1	Jamaica was one of 31 countries that participated in the first Intercontinental Online Chess Championship for Prisoners. https://en.chessbase.com/post/championship- for-prisoners-2021-fide
Participants in each programme	0	28	4	-
PROMOTION				
Positive or neutral coverage in: • Mainstream media • Social Media/Websites • Other	Mainstream Media - 17 Social Media - 20	Mainstream Media - 52 Social Media - 52	Mainstream Media – 18+ (Newspaper) Social Media - Unknown	We were only able to track newspaper articles of our two main newspaper companies. We project that there is much more online in relation to these articles. Please see Appendix 1 below.
PARTNERSHIPS				
Chess sponsors	0	3	0	Again due to the COVID-19 pandemic, it was difficult to get sponsors onboard for online events. Chess online is not easy to sell to sponsors without proof of previous success.
Other Strategic Partners e.g. NOC, Media, government organisations, NGOs	4	6	4	We were able to maintain our main strategic partners, the Jamaica Olympic Association, the Sports Development Foundation, the Ministry of Sport and the media, in particular the Jamaica Observer Newspaper.
OTHER				
Please feel free to specify any other KPI that may be important to the operations of the federation	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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Appendix 1

#	Link to Newspaper Articles on Chess in Jamaica	Month
1.	https://www.jamaicaobserver.com/sports/fm-christie-wins-frederick-	December 2021
	cameron-online-chess-tourney_239879	
2.	https://www.jamaicaobserver.com/sports/joa-hails-arrival-of-chess-	December 2021
	at-cac-games_238521	
3.	https://jamaica-gleaner.com/article/sports/20211210/cac-	December 2021
	introduces-chess-2023-games	
4.	https://www.jamaicaobserver.com/sports/azerbaijan-barbados-	December 2021
	women-star-in-wim-deb-richards-porter-online-chess-	
	tourney_238654	
	https://www.jamaicaobserver.com/sports/india-s-anadkat-kartavya-	November 2021
	wins-jamaica-chess-open-online-2021_237426	
6.	https://www.jamaicaobserver.com/sports/jamaican-players-shine-at-	November 2021
	chess-subzonal-2-3-5-in-domrep_236842	
7.	https://www.jamaicaobserver.com/sports/st-jago-s-christie-cops-dr-	October 2021
	harold-chan-open-online-chess-	
	tourney_233981?profile=&template=PrinterVersion	
8.	https://www.jamaicaobserver.com/sports/jamaica-is-top-english-	September 2021
	speaking-caribbean-country-in-2021-fide-online-chess-	
	olympiad_231205	
9.	https://www.jamaicaobserver.com/sports/shaw-brown-top-	September 2021
	performers-at-2021-fide-world-cadets-youth-chess-tourney_231206	
10.	https://jamaica-gleaner.com/article/news/20210906/gracekennedy-	September 2021
	foundation-highlighting-students-success	
11.	https://www.jamaicaobserver.com/sports/st-jago-a-wolmer-s-girls-	August 2021
	are-online-national-high-school-rapid-chess-champions_228950	
12.	https://jamaica-gleaner.com/article/sports/20210716/leake-shines-	July 2021
	online-ntl-age-group-chess-champs	
13.	https://jamaica-gleaner.com/article/news/20210713/glenmuir-high-	July 2021
	student-cops-chess-championship	
14.	https://www.jamaicaobserver.com/sports/wim-richards-porter-	May 2021
	appointed-to-women-s-chess-	
	commission_222228?profile=&template=PrinterVersion	
15.	https://www.jamaicaobserver.com/sports/wolmerian-shaw-wins-	April 2021
	open-satellite-chess-tourney_220051	
16.	https://www.jamaicaobserver.com/sports/dominating-covid-19-as-	March 2021
	chess-goes-unchecked_215949	
17.	https://www.jamaicaobserver.com/sports/training-partners-finish-1-	January 2021
	2-in-chess-competition_213315	
18.	https://www.jamaicaobserver.com/sports/pair-of-twins-makes-	January 2021
	history-in-local-chess_211426	



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CONTINENT: Americas

DEVELOPMENT LEVEL: 3

Please complete ALL requested fields in this report.

1. Programme/Project Name:

Dominating COVID through Chess

2. Programme/Project Dates:

1 April 2021 – 31 December 2021

3. Summary of Project Outcomes:

1. Successfully staged six (6) online tournaments with sections targeting junior players and/or female players. The funding from FIDE was used to cover costs in relation to the promotional items, prizes and arbiters. Most of the flyers can be found on the JCF facebook page and some flyers are on the JCF website jamchess.com.

a. Frederick Cameron Open Online: 18 December 2021:

- i. See results at http://chess-results.com/tnr600138.aspx?lan=1
- ii. See flyer on our facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/jamchess/photos/2890107484613954
- iii. See newspaper coverage at: <u>https://www.jamaicaobserver.com/sports/fm-christie-wins-</u> <u>frederick-cameron-online-chess-tourney_239879</u>
- iv. There were no online pics.

b. WIM Deborah Richards Porter Online International Chess Tournament: 4 December 2021:

- i. See results at: http://chess-results.com/tnr594992.aspx?lan=1
- See flyer on our facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/jamchess/photos/2881625675462135
- iii. See newspaper coverage at: https://www.jamaicaobserver.com/sports/azerbaijanbarbados-women-star-in-wim-deb-richards-porter-online-chess-tourney_238654
- iv. There were no online pics.

c. Jamaica Open Online: 21 November 2021:

i. See results at: http://chess-results.com/tnr593828.aspx?lan=1



- ii. See flyer on our facebook page:
 - https://www.facebook.com/jamchess/photos/2867385203552849
- iii. See newspaper coverage at: https://www.jamaicaobserver.com/sports/india-s-anadkatkartavya-wins-jamaica-chess-open-online-2021_237426
- i. There were no pics of online entrants.

d. Harold Chan Open Online: 9 October 2021

- ii. See results at: <u>http://chess-results.com/tnr588277.aspx?lan=1</u>
- iii. See flyer on our facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/jamchess/photos/a.1945247909099921/2830336900591013
- iv. See newspaper coverage at: https://www.jamaicaobserver.com/sports/st-jago-s-christiecops-dr-harold-chan-open-online-chess-tourney 233981
- v. There were no pics of online entrants.

e. National Online Age Group Chess Championships of Jamaica: 3 July 2021

- i. See results at: http://chess-results.com/tnr568427.aspx?lan=1
- ii. See flyer on our facebook page: <u>https://www.facebook.com/jamchess/photos/a.1945247909099921/2751566005134770</u> <u>/</u>
- iii. See Newspaper coverage: <u>https://www.jamaicaobserver.com/sports/first-ever-online-national-age-group-chess-championships-a-success_225980</u> AND https://jamaica-gleaner.com/article/sports/20210716/leake-shines-online-ntl-age-group-chess-champs?fbclid=IwAR1ik8sprVkJxnDyoNZkQZ2aEWoaHHxa6-p1hKvgZR37s_k-_2NJ60nfmiw
- iv. There were no pics of online entrants.

f. Robert Wheeler Open Online: 12 June 2021:

- i. See results at: https:// http://chess-results.com/tnr566129.aspx?lan=1
- ii. See flyer on our website: http://jamchess.com/tournaments/2021_rwheeler.html
- iii. There was no Newspaper coverage.
- iv. There were no pics of online entrants.
- 2. Due to the onset of the pandemic, the Junior Training Programmes and Overseas representation by Junior Players did not take place. However, junior training did take place and online representation was facilitated as Jamaica participated in a number of official online events including the **FIDE Online Chess Olympiad 2021**

(https://www.caribbeannationalweekly.com/sports/jamaica-is-top-english-speakingcaribbean-country-in-2021-fide-online-chess-olympiad/) and the FIDE Online World Cadets Youth Chess Championships 2021 (https://www.jamaicaobserver.com/sports/shaw-browntop-performers-at-2021-fide-world-cadets-youth-chess-tourney_231206).



4. Breakdown of Funding Usage (Please provide supporting documents as far as possible):

1. Successfully staged six (6) online tournaments locally with sections targeting junior and/ or female players. An average amount of approximately U\$900.00 has been spent on each, totaling U\$\$5,400.00. See 1(a-f) above.

The total spend was used to cover arbiters, cash prizes, trophies/medals and marketing for each event.

5. Any funds not yet used? Yes _____ No _____

If No, please provide reasons and details on how and when the funds will be utilised:

I will assume this should read "If Yes, please provide reasons..."

6. Lessons Learned/Future Improvements:

- 1. Online chess is not readily conducive to provide sponsorship benefits. Deliberate and sustained strategies have to be implemented to derive the required benefits for sponsors.
- 2. Notwithstanding the foregoing, online chess is particularly important in encouraging and facilitating interaction between Jamaican and international players.
- 3. More arbiters will need to be trained to assist with the numerous online events that are now being planned
- The success of our top online player Joshua Christie, in an over-the-board event (Sub-zonal) held in the Dominican Republic, where he placed third (<u>https://www.jamaicaobserver.com/sports/jamaican-players-shine-at-chess-subzonal-2-3-5-in-domrep_236842</u>), indicates that online chess has a role to play in preparation for over-theboard play.

On behalf of the Jamaica Chess Federation

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