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INTRODUCTION

The current Covid-19 pandemic has drastically impacted our progress in the second quarter of 2020; however, the year 2019/2020 has seen various changes to the TCIFA's organizational structure. The General Secretariat has seen the addition of an Executive Assistant that assists both the General Secretary and President with the day-to-day logistics and administrative matters. Further, with the hiring of four new coaches, TCIFA implemented a Technical Department under the auspices of a newly appointed Technical Director to enhance the promotion and development our National Teams and Youth Programmes. These additions have caused the need for a facility expansion/repurposing, to allocate separate designated areas for both the Technical Department and General Secretariat.

A small expansion of the Men's Provo Premier League (PPL) took place, as an additional team, the Academy Falcons, was included, increasing team participation to seven, as opposed to 6 teams participating in the 2018/2019 PPL. Further, the 2019/2020 PPL was divided into 2 competition series that took place between October 2019 to February 2020 and should have continued on March 2020 – July 2020, with dates subject to change due to the impact of Covid-19.

TCIFA's Girls Youth Programs and Women's Programs has seen an increase in participation as well. More international and local competition opportunities have been provided for them, with International Friendly Games played against Cayman Islands and Cuba and the introduction of a Women's Indoor Football League in the latter half of 2019.

We continue in pursuit of our primary objective to grow the Grassroots and Youth Development Programs and we recognize that we are taking massive steps to achieve that goal.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE



(L-R Paul Slattery, Candace Hanchell, Paula Garland, Tamara Hall, Sonia Fulford, Patrice Senior, Indrani Saunders, Benneth Williams and Steve Kendrew.)

The Executive Committee continues to work diligently throughout the year. The Executive Committee following the 2019 AGM consists of:

Position	Name	Executive Committee Responsibilities
• President	Sonia Fulford	Public Relations and Media
• 1 st Vice President	Paul Slattery	National Academy Facilities and Emergency
• 2 nd Vice President	Candace Hanchell	Women's Football
• Director of Finance	Ryan Blain	Finance
• Executive Director 1	Steve Kendrew	Men's Football and Club Licensing
• Executive Director 2	Paula Garland	Events and Fundraising
• Executive Director 3	Patrice Senior	Refereeing
• Member	Indrani Saunders	Youth Football
• Member	Tamara Hall	Beach Soccer and Futsal
• Member	Benneth Williams	

GENERAL SECRETARIAT

Oliver Smith continued as General Secretary as well as undertaking responsibility for the Coaching standing committee. He's carried on in serving the Concacaf Appeals Committee, the FIFA Appeals Committee and currently acts as the Chairman for the CFU Legal Committee.

Candia Ewing continued in her role as Marketing and Communications Coordinator with shared responsibility in Public Relations and Media.

Zekeya Hall was on-boarded in January 2019 as Executive Assistant to the Offices of the President and General Secretary.

President Sonia Fulford continues to serve as the Female Member on the Concacaf Council, and one of six female members on the FIFA Council. She was recently appointed to be a member of the newly created FIFA Foundation. Additionally, President Fulford sits on the Executive Committee of the Caribbean Football Union, the Concacaf Football Committee and the FIFA Member Associations Committee.

NEW TECHNICAL DEPARTMENT

The technical department was upgraded and somewhat formalized in 2019 with the engagement of the following individuals:

- Yunelsis Rodriguez-Baez joined in November 2018 as the Director of Women's Football
- Andrew Edwards joined in February 2019 as Technical Director
- Omar Edwards joined in February 2019 as the Boys U15 and Men's National Football Team Head Coach.
- Aaron Lawrence joined in February 2019 as the Goal Keeping Coach.
- Shavar Thomas joined in June 2019 as the Assistant Head Coach of the Men's National Football Team, and Head Coach of the Boys U14.
- Olivia Graveley transitioned into her role as the Assistant to the Director of Women's Football in 2019

NATIONAL ACADEMY

The TCIFA is continuing in its quest to improve and upgrade our facilities to where we will have a complete all-purpose football facility. Currently and as part of the FIFA Forward Project and other initiatives, the following work is ongoing or coming on stream:

- National Team Long-Term Accommodations: 5 bedroom rental apartment located in Leeward Palms, leased in January 2020
- Repair, resurfacing, and replacement of artificial turf field. Completed as of February 2020
- Infrastructure Project that includes:
 - Construction of Futsal Pitch
 - Installation of Spectator Seating and Scoreboard
 - Renovation of Grass Pitch with Platinum Paspalum Grass
 - Car Park Hard standings
 - Upgrade to main grass pitch lighting from 500 to 750 lux

This is anticipated to commence in May of 2020.

EVENTS AND FUNDRAISING

The mission of the Turks and Caicos Islands Football Association (TCIFA) has always been to help the local community through its youth development football programmes. These are based on Providenciales, Grand Turk, South Caicos and North/Middle Caicos. With approximately 500 registered youth players throughout the Turks and Caicos Islands, there is a need for funds to fuel these programmes, and as such the TCIFA hosts a number of fundraising events on an annual basis to support its youth development football programs.

7TH ANNUAL WALK-RUN-RIDE

The 7th Annual "Walk-Run-Ride" was hosted on April 27, 2019. For the second consecutive year, T & C Refreshments was the Headline Sponsor. The event featured corporate participation from entities such as Hertz (Mystique Car Rental & Tours) and Turks & Caicos Collection. The involvement of these companies aided in bringing attention to the importance of exercise in the TCI. The Islanders, once again, demonstrated their unwavering compassion and support for youth and football development, as they assembled in numbers to raise vital funds that will help the TCIFA continue its mission whilst moving the community closer to the goal of a healthier Turks & Caicos.

Following a warm-up and stretching session, Walk-Run-Ride participants immediately laced up their sneakers for the 5K/ 10K walk/run along turtle tail road, or the 32K cycle around turtle tail and Grace Bay. Upon their return from the route, they were treated to post-exercise refreshments, health screenings, mini spinal-postural assessments, and a prize-giving ceremony.



2ND ANNUAL CORPORATE 7V7 FOOTBALL COMPETITION

Sponsored by D&B Auto Ltd, the 2nd edition of “KICK FOR A CAUSE,” the annual corporate 7v7 football Competition was held on the morning of September 14, 2019. This tournament is one aimed at members of the Turks and Caicos Islands corporate community. The teams were co-ed, thus fostering active female involvement.

The competition was played in a round-robin format, with two groups of four teams, with each team being afforded a minimum of three fifteen-minute games. The Royal Turks and Caicos Islands Police Force were the defending champions. However, the undefeated Turks & Caicos Collection snatched the trophy after a grueling match against the 2018 champions. Bay Bistro placed third.



12TH ANNUAL GOLF SCRAMBLE

The 12th Annual Golf Scramble and Silent Auction took place at the prestigious Provo Golf Club on the 3rd of November 2019. This highly anticipated event brought together a number of golfers who enjoyed the 18-hole golf competition, a sumptuous dinner buffet with the prize giving ceremony, and an eye-popping silent auction. 2019 saw a new headline sponsor in the form of Scotiabank. Not only did they play the critical role as title sponsor, but Scotiabank fielded a team led by Andy Dickson, Commercial Banking Manager, Scotiabank Turks and Caicos.



COACHING AND COACHING EDUCATION

The TCIFA Technical Department had a very busy and productive 2019, setting and achieving several goals and objectives, which raised the performance of national teams representing the Turks and Caicos Islands. Below are the key highlights:

- Coach Dane Ritchie and Technical Director Andrew Edwards completed phase one of the FIFA “Train the Trainers” Course and are now CONCACAF and FIFA recognized coaching educators, trained to deliver the CONCACAF E and D License Coaching Courses. Dane completed the first phase of the CONCACAF/ FA Mentorship Programme in November 2019, and will move on to phase during the course of 2020.
- Dane Ritchie was appointed as the Head of the Coaching Education Unit within the Technical Department (a requirement of FIFA and CONCACAF).
- In collaboration with the Turk and Caicos Islands Government (TCIG) Department of Sports, Mr. Anton Corneal of Trinidad (a requirement by the TCIG to have an international expert consultant) and Andrew Edwards delivered an E-License Coaching Course in October 2019. Twenty-one candidates were trained; all the islands were represented.
- A Technical Staff Retreat was hosted in July 2019. A common training macro-cycle for all youth teams and grassroots training across the Turks and Caicos Islands was formulated.
- Dane Ritchie and Andrew Edwards delivered a CONCACAF D License Coaching Course in May/June 2019. 17 Candidates participated, with 6 successfully completing the course.
- The first phase of the “Further Education Programme” was conducted in November 2019 through the UEFA Assist Program by way of the Swedish FA. The second and third phases were scheduled to rollout in April and May 2020, but have been postponed due to the onset of the Coronavirus.
- Streamlining of coaching content and playing forms across the country was established.
- Regularization of Technical Department meetings, session planning, and mentoring for youth development officers and volunteers were established.

OTHER MATTERS

There were other initiatives by the TCIFA. Of note, are the following:

- Acquisition of weight and fitness training equipment.
- Engagement of Miss Julia Cousins as the FA's Physiotherapy consultant. Her services and expertise have been well received.
- Introduction of a Nutrition Seminar for players and parents.
- Marginal increase in numbers of referees in training; several expected to break out in 2020.

As TCIFA expands and improves its programmes, there will be domino effects throughout the entire structure of the TCIFA. More games require more teams, coaches, referees, and training times as a start. The technical ambitions of the FA will have to be matched with the financial capacity to ensure effectiveness and efficiency.

REFEREE'S ASSOCIATION



- Referees have participated in ongoing training initiatives led by Patrice Senior and Dane Ritchie. During the Covid-19 lockdown and social-distancing period, sessions are being conducted using the Zoom conference call platform.
- The referee's association introduced a youth refereeing branch, opening another outlet for youth participation in Turks and Caicos football.
- The Caribbean Football Union (CFU) extended invitation to Ancie Bernadin where she participated as an Assistant Referee during the Girls U14 Challenge Series, held in Puerto Rico, August 5 – 13, 2019.
- Dane Ritchie and Kwabena Wright both participated in the FIFA Futuro III Referee Instructors Course held in Guatemala on September 1 -7, 2019. This course focused on the education and development of Referee Technical Instructors and Referee Fitness Instructors, from neighboring Caribbean countries, on the specific regional formats best utilized to further enhance refereeing practices in the region.

MATCH COMMISSIONERS



TCIFA took the initiative to formalize the approach and relationship with Match Commissioners. Zekeya Hall, Damona Taylor, Patrice Senior, Sabuton John, Andrew Edwards, Benneth Williams, Patrick Peterkin, Uriel Gilbert, Tamara Hall, Giselle James-Wright, Carlton Forrest, and Ian Chang participated in a Match Commissioners Course in February of 2019. Eminent Match Commissioner Patrick Beckles conducted this. Upon completion, the Match Commissioners were successfully able to execute their duties in the 2018-2019 PPL Season during the period of February – July 2019. To gain confidence and experience, as well as, to provide each match commissioner with the maximum opportunities to conduct a match, they were allowed to work in groups of 2. By the end of the 2018-2019 PPL Season, each match commissioner had performed at a minimum of 3 matches, implementing and overseeing the necessary protocols that are integral for a proper and effective game.

TEAM MANAGERS



TCIFA hosted its first team manager's course in October 2019. The one-day course was lead by TCIFA General Secretary Oliver Smith, and TCI MNT Manager Haroon Swaby, providing hands on approach with step-by-step instructions as to the role and responsibilities of a Team Manager in order to ensure a successful match/ tournament. Topics such as the dealing with professional players, team travel, hotel inspection, volunteer management, financial management, tournament rules/requirements, aspects of confidentiality and more were covered. The role of the Team Manager is very critical to the success of a team. This individual acts as the go-between for the parents, players, coaches, and the Football Association, ensuring a successful management of the team and welfare of the players. A total of twenty-two persons completed the course.

YOUTH FOOTBALL

NEW STRUCTURE

- 485 players were reported as registered in the youth development football program by the end of 2019; i.e. 47 in North Caicos, 57 in South Caicos, 68 in Grand Turk, and 313 in Providenciales.
- The youth programme age classifications were revised in keeping with global best practices, and a seasonal structure mirroring the school calendar was implemented. All players, especially those involved with youth national teams are evaluated individually at the end of each season.

SPECIAL NEEDS FOOTBALL PROGRAMME

There are many children living with special needs in the Turks and Caicos Islands. Whether diagnosed with learning, emotional, or behavioral difficulties (such as Down Syndrome, Autism, ADHD, etc.), or physical disabilities (such as cerebral palsy), the majority of special needs children are not actively involved in sports. We are reminded that everyone should be given the opportunity to participate in sports regardless of his or her gender, age, race, color, religion, socio-economic status, or disability. The Turks and Caicos Islands Football Association (TCIFA) emphasizes the need to end discrimination and drive positive change and in that regard, with Ava Robertson and Bertha Lee Belle at its helm, recently introduced a football program geared specifically towards children with Special Needs. The focus of the programme is to highlight each and every player's abilities rather than disabilities, and provide an environment where everyone is treated with dignity and respect.



FORTIS TCI YOUTH LEAGUE

- The 2019 Annual Youth League sponsored by Fortis TCI took place in April – June 2019 in Providenciales, Grand Turk, South Caicos and North/Middle Caicos. Competitions were held at U9, U11 and U13 levels. Providenciales hosted competitions at all three levels, North/ Middle Caicos and Grand Turk hosted U13 competitions only and South Caicos hosted U11 and U13 competitions only.
- In February 2020, FortisTCI and TCIFA announced a three-year partnership to further develop youth football across the country. This partnership also facilitates a restructuring that will see the introduction of an Elite Youth Football League featuring six Under-14 boys' teams comprising of three teams in Providenciales, and one team each in Grand Turk, North Caicos, and South Caicos. The standard Youth Football League will feature co-ed teams of Under-10 and Under-12 players, with games played across the islands of Providenciales, Grand Turk, North Caicos, and South Caicos.
- FortisTCI's sponsorship has gone beyond financial contributions. Through staff volunteerism, the company maintains its weekly fruit and water stand for players on game days, in all islands, to provide nutritional support. FortisTCI employees look forward to supporting and encouraging the players in this way.



INTER-ISLAND FOOTBALL FESTIVALS

Two Inter-Island Football Tournaments were hosted in Providenciales during 2019

- June 2019, U13 and U11: all teams played a minimum of 3 games, with a total of 17 games per category.
- December 2019, U10 and U12: all teams played 5 games with a total of 20 games per category.

WESTON CUP AND SHOWCASE

- For the third consecutive year, the Turks and Caicos Islands (TCI) Football Association participated in the 2019 Weston Cup & Showcase, held in Weston, FL, February 16 - 18, 2019. This included the Boys U11, Girls U12, and Boys U13 National Football Teams. The Boys U11 Team consisted of 12 Players and 3 Team Officials; The Girls U12 Team consisted of 14 Players and 3 Team Officials; and the Boys U13 Team consisted of 15 Players and 2 Team Officials. Parents of Players supplemented as additional chaperones. The total TCI Delegation included a total of 41 Players and 8 Team Officials.
- TCIFA Boys U11 made it to the bronze division semi-finals against Coral Springs United FC, but ultimately lost 2:1.
- TCIFA Girls U12 scored 2 goals against Key Biscayne SC and 1 goal against the Florida Gulf Coast Dutch Lions FC.
- TCIFA Boys U13 scored 1 goal against Sunrise Elite.

BOYS U15 NATIONAL FOOTBALL TEAM

Significant improvements were seen in the performance of the Turks & Caicos Islands Boys U15 National Football Team during 2019. Preparation commenced in February and continued to the Concacaf U15 in early August in Florida. The attitude displayed by the young lads was worthy of all the praise and accolades they have received throughout the various competitive games they engaged. The team played 5 international friendly games, and several local friendly games prior to the Concacaf Boys U15 Championship held in Bradenton, Florida. Five matches were played during the tournament. The boys had brought the experience gained from previous competitions to good effect at the Championship in August. The unit showed maturity and camaraderie as the games progressed.

- **Invitational Tournament Against Cayman Islands**
 - The team played their first set of international games, four months after the preparation began in May 2019. Players were apprehensive during the encounter, which was understandable. However, based on display from the opponents, it showed that the team's preparation was well advanced. The young players presented a very good account of their self and country. All matches were very competitive, despite Turks & Caicos losing all three encounters. There was

nothing to be ashamed of, based on the effort and tenacity the boys revealed. The tactical defensive team shape and understanding that was taught, players demonstrated for most part to show appreciation of the coaching education they had received. Players got better from the international encounter and were more mature by the experience.

- **Invitational Tournament Against the Bahamas**

- The team played two international friendly matches against a formidable Bahamas team. The boys showed more maturity and confidence in their play. The team won the first encounter and lost the second one by a slim margin. However, the players were fairly satisfied with their effort and performance, which drove more credence in their ability going into the Concacaf Tournament.

- **Concacaf Boys U15 Championship, IMG Academy, Bradenton, Florida.**

- **Montserrat 2 vs. Turks and Caicos Islands 0:** The players started the tournament apprehensively. This was the team's first match, and the players were anxious to do their best. The defensive unit lost concentration, which resulted in two early goals in the first half by the opponents. The second half was much better, as the players became more settled, and displayed a high level of confidence. The players created numerous goals scoring opportunities in both halves but failed to capitalize on them.
- **Turks and Caicos Islands 3 vs. Saint Martin 1:** The performance demonstrated against Saint Martin was positive. The players worked extremely hard and smart, especially in the first half, as a defensive, solid and organized unit. Offensive, TCIFA scored two good goals. The victory was sealed in added time from a corner kick; a victory well deserved based on the team's tenacity and honesty in carrying out the coach's instructions.
- **Turks and Caicos Island 1 vs. Dominica 3:** The performance displayed in TCIFA's third match was lethargic, most likely due to consecutive games with no recovery time. Despite the team's shortcomings, the players gave it their all. TCIFA conceded two goals in the first half. After the interval, the team displayed a better second half. The team was definitely in the game and wanted something positive from it. Therefore, throwing caution to the wind allowed Dominica to score late in the game.
- **Turks and Caicos 0 vs. British Virgin Island 2:** Despite the end result, the performance of the team was exemplary for most part. The unit tried to carry out the tactical direction from the coaching staff. The players showed maturity and understanding of their defensive responsibilities. TCIFA conceded two goals from a dead ball situation. BVI's first goal was from a corner. The second, from the penalty shot.
- **Turks and Caicos 0 vs. Anguilla 0:** The final match of the tournament saw TCIFA playing against the fourth-placed team from group I. Anguilla gave TCIFA good physical practice while maintaining good defensive shape. The

absence of the flank striker was obvious as he would have been a tower of strength in the final game. Mentally, TCIFA made some poor decisions on the ball, which may have caused by mental fatigue. Despite the disjointed attacking unit, the defensive aspect remained resolute and focused, which ultimately made the team keep a clean sheet.

- Following the Concacaf Boys U15 Championship, the coaching staff decided to promote three of the National Boys U15 Boys to the Senior Men's National Football Team, based on their performance during the tournament. This move is strategic and aims to provide these boys with experience and exposure at a higher level for the Under 17 youth programme in 2020.



GIRLS U15 NATIONAL FOOTBALL TEAM

2019 has proven to be a very active year for the Girls U15 National Football Team. The team took part in the following competitions:

- **Invitational Tournament Against Cayman Islands:**
 - The Girls Under 14 National Football Team participated in 3 matches against the Cayman Islands Girls Under 15 National Football Team, though none were victorious. They managed to score 1 goal in the second match and 1 goal in the 3rd match.
- **COPA Amistad:**
 - The Girls Under 15 National Football Team was allowed much needed international competition experience during the Friendship Cup (Copa Amistad). The tournament was held in Havana, Cuba in July 2019, also providing scouting for player eligibility for 2020 Concacaf U15 Girls Tournament. TCIFA played against 2 teams - the HAB FC U17 Girls and Cuba Girls U14 National Football Team.
- **Caribbean Football Union (CFU) Girls U14 Challenge Series:**

- The CFU Girl U14 Challenge Series was held in Puerto Rico in August 2019. One of the main focuses going into this competition was to perfect the elements of group tactics. The Turks and Caicos Islands placed 3rd in Group 3 of the competition, which included the host Puerto Rico, Bonaire, Haiti, and Anguilla. It is the first time that any youth team from the Turks and Caicos Islands won an international football match, officially sanctioned by CFU, Concacaf or FIFA.



MEN'S FOOTBALL

PROVO PREMIER LEAGUE (PPL)

- The 2018- 2019 PPL season came to an end in July with the Academy Jaguars emerging as champions for the third consecutive year.
- Under the stewardship of Technical Director Andrew Edwards, a Competitions Committee was organized, with Steven Kendrew as chairing.
- The newly formatted PPL (Apertura and Clasura) played 2 rounds of competitions that launched in October 2019 through February 21, 2020 (Apertura). The following 2 rounds commenced on February 29, 2020.
 - Two new teams, Academy Falcons and Blue Hills FC, joined the league.
 - Cheshire Hall withdrew from the League.
 - SWA Sharks were victorious during the Apertura rounds, and secured the number 1 spot.
- The new format resulted in a minimum of 168 games per season to ensure that FIFA's match requirements are met, contributing significantly to the development to our players, coaches and referees. Each of the 7 teams play 24 matches prior to the playoffs.
- The general brand and position of the PPL is as good as ever with the 4th consecutive annual sponsorship from Gilley's Enterprises and Turks Head Brewery. The Facebook profile has seen lots of promotional action, including LIVE videos, and is now approaching 900+ likes. The fresh approach to TCIFA marketing and revamping of the TCIFA website has also been a significant development, as well as increase in interactions with local news station, PTV.
- In an effort to maintain professional standards in football, a fourth official has been introduced to the league, with increase use of electronic communications between Referees and Assistants.

OVER 35 MASTERS LEAGUE

The league was not played in 2019. However, it resumed on March 1st, 2020 with a new title sponsor, Global Capital Ltd. The 7-a-side league was scheduled to be played on Sunday evenings, but after one week of matches, was suspended due to the impact of Covid-19.



SENIOR MEN'S NATIONAL FOOTBALL TEAM (MNT)

During 2019 The Turks and Caicos Islands MNT played several local games against PPL teams, as well as six international matches, home and away, against formidable opponents. The team was also afforded the opportunity of a one-week camp in Miami to prepare for the Concacaf Nations League games in latter part of the year. The unprecedented back-to-back victory had given the players massive confidence in their hard and honest work in the year. Five U15 boys were promoted to the senior team following the assessment of the U15 Concacaf Tournament completed in August 2019.

- Matches played in 2019:
 - Thirteen matches total (13); i.e. four against PPL teams (4), three international club friendlies (3), one international friendly (1), and five Concacaf Nations League Games (5)

- The coaching staff recorded fluctuation in players training pattern throughout the year. For the most part, the team trained five days per week. The coaches were cognizant that players were not accustomed to that amount of training days. Also, the majority of players have full time jobs, and their employer’s struggle to find a fair balance of allowing time off to train. Although those players who made it to training most morning gave their best effort, at times, coaches would recognize that they had not fully recuperated from their late-night jobs. This indeed reduces the speed/ process of learning.
- Urgent attention is needed in the Men’s National Team Programme. Majority of players are employed full-time, and would sometimes encounter difficulties with regard to attending international duties. We need to establish solutions that will assist in alleviating these challenges, especially since the player pool in the Turks and Caicos Islands is extremely small.
- Players have demonstrated a high level of professionalism towards international football. The attitude of wanting to make the country proud was easily recognized after the team came back three times during the Concacaf Nations League games to achieve a positive result.



SENIOR MEN'S NATIONAL BEACH SOCCER TEAM

The MNBST composes mainly of players who are also squad players of the 11-aside MNT. As a result of MNT preparations for the final Concacaf Nations League match on 21st March 2019, the first official Beach Soccer training session were delayed until the 31st March. New Beach Soccer player, Lenford Singh, was added to the team, and as could be expected, he took time to learn and adapt to the different demands of Beach Soccer.

In addition to training, the MBSNT participated in two international friendly matches against the Bahamas National Team at their purpose-built Beach Soccer Stadium as preparation for the Concacaf Beach Soccer Championship Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, in May 2019.

The draw for Championship placed Turks and Caicos Islands in Group B along with Panama, Trinidad, and USVI. Although the team's performance seemed well during the first period of each at the Championship, a fundamental lack of sustained fitness, strength and power as well as a weak mental approach ultimately led to under performance throughout the second and third periods of all the games.

The results for the matches were as follows:

Trinidad- 6	vs.	TCI- 0
Panama- 8	vs.	TCI- 1
TCI- 6	vs.	USVI- 8

The players have gained more game knowledge and experience and with an infusion of perhaps two or three more players and an improvement on the physical strength of the goalkeeper, the team will become increasingly capable of competing on a more even footing.



WOMEN'S FOOTBALL

Women's National Football Team (WNT)

- Though in recent years, the TCI WNT had not participated in any international competition sanctioned by CFU, Concacaf or FIFA, TCIFA still recognizes the need for increase in quality competitions for the Women's National Team. Monthly games have been scheduled, where the women actively compete against age group boys. Six (6) such games have been played since January 2019. The TCIFA is currently in the course of assessing and recruiting players for the Women's National Team.
- TCIFA hosted a Women's Festival/ Invitational Tournament in August of 2019 against Belize.



Women's Football League (WFL)

Further to modifying and reviving the Women's Football League, TCIFA aggressively seeks partnership opportunities for its return.

Women's Indoor Soccer League

Indoor Soccer Tournaments are hosted at the Graceway Sports Center. The first set of matches was held on October- November 2019, consisting of 4 teams of 12 players of different age groups. Continuation of 2020 spring matches has been suspended due to the impact of Covid-19.

CONCLUSION

2019 saw tremendous improvement and growth in our Technical Department. This, in return has led to more structured training sessions and a massive increase in competitions for our Youth and Senior National Teams (both male and female). The need to continue to provide competition for our players has stretched our financial resources. However, the TCIFA remains hopeful and committed to that goal.

The impact of the Covid-19 global pandemic has slowed down, and in some areas, halted the progress of the TCIFA, interrupting not only the Masters' League and the PPL, but has delayed the return of our Women's League in a new format. It has equally impacted some critical international games for our Women's National Team and Youth Teams. However, we recognize that good health is of paramount importance and we look forward to when the world can easily breathe again and we can all return to embracing the game we love so much: football.

Sonia Fulford
President
May 2020

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