



Uganda Fencing Association

2017

UFA ACTIVITY REPORT

Promote the Fencing Sport in Uganda as a tool for good health, intellectual and physical fitness and elite athletes



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OUR VALUES

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Empowerment

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Greetings! Friends of fencing!

As we successfully come to the end of 2017 and getting ready to welcome 2018 with so much enthusiasm and positivity in heightening our strategic plan, I should no doubt give all the praise and honor to the Almighty God who without him, we would not have managed to make the strides we made in giving a continuous and lasting impression on achievements and success of our activities' calendar!

With our mode of developing fencing sport, we established another regional center in Tororo, Sitting within Tororo Girls School which will serve the Eastern region! My much appreciation goes out to these particular learning institutions which have with no exception joined hands with us to spread and develop fencing further. Another major milestone was equipment which we acquired, we received an enormous amount of equipment both fencing clothing and competition sets(field of play, scoring boards and reels) which is going to take off and uphold our local and international competition programs come 2018 as was not the case in 2017.

Uganda Fencing Association's ascribes its success and achievements to; the International Fencing Federation, the American Fencing Association, the British Fencing Federation, the Future of Fencing Fund-Rus-



sia, the Uganda Olympic Committee, the government of Uganda and its club members.

Surely with such support, as a team, we look to work towards achieving our already consolidated strategic plan come this year 2018!



Executive Summary

This report provides an in depth account of all 2017 activities, achievements and challenges met and the projected 2018 activities.

This report states the activities of UFA, the key achievements being; obtaining equipment and formation of another regional training center.

Conclusively, the report focuses on 2018 which is going to be a very active year with the fundamentals in line. The executive committee of UFA continues in its strides to promote and develop the sport of fencing and nurture elite athletes.

Uganda Fencing Association

Uganda Fencing Association is a nonprofit sports body in charge of fencing sport in the country. It is registered as a trustee certificate number CI.856 and affiliated to the International Fencing Federation (FIE), the Confederation of African Fencing (CAE) and the Uganda Olympic Committee (UOC).

With its mode of developing the sport through regional centers, UFA now currently has three established regional training centers i.e. in the East in Tororo, West in Bundibugyo and Central Kampala.

Currently, UFA's membership is comprised of three member clubs.

The principal organs of the UFA;

- 1. The General Assembly
- 2. The Executive
- 3. The Committees

Introduction

2017 was a great year for the Uganda Fencing Association with several activities run by the structure below;

UFA TEAM

PRESIDENT-GABRIEL W. J. OLOKA

1ST VICE PRESIDENT-KENNETH ORINGO

2ND VICE PRESIDENT-ROSLYN MUNTU

SECRETARY GENERAL-CAROLYNNE JOANNE ADONGO

ASSISTANT SECRETARY GENERAL-OWERE DAMASCUS

TREASURER-LANDO ONYANGO CUTHBERT

MEMBER-JULIET IKAZI

MEMBER-IRERE JUDE

MEMBER-ILOKO CHARLES

MEMBER-ALBERTO JUDY RUTHY

MEMBER-PATRICK OKOU



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OUR PARTNERS





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	ACTIVITY	ACTIVITY STATUS	DESCRIPTION OF RESULTS
1.	Meetings	All Quarterly meetings held	Reviews of the activity calendar enabled assessment of activities which called for changes, siting challenges and working towards achievement of the activities 'success.

CHANGES/CHALLENGES/RESULTS

Irrespective of having its achievements stemming from the Quarterly meetings, the executive committee meetings need to be readjusted to trimesters for efficiency in the management of the Association's affairs.

2.	Office & Training Space	Not yet accom- plished	Still in process of acquiring space and siting a source of funds for sustainability of an office for the UFA and strategically located training grounds.
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CHANGES/CHALLENGES/RESULTS

The training hub for the Kampala region at Gems Cambridge School in Butabika offers a very good facility for activities of UFA. This however, is not advantageous to quite a number of the interested community throughout Kampala central region who want to join fencing. Therefore, a move to source out a facility within proximity of Kampala central has to be in the offing so as to reach out to the people within.

3.	Promotions and Market- ing	On going	Held one press conference unveiling the donated fencing clothing from the British Fencing Federation. Signed a Memorandum Of Understanding with the Italian Fencing Federation
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CHANGES/CHALLENGES/RESULTS

Sponsorship strategies to fund activities that promote and market the sport of fencing have to be set in place and expedited due to the fact that some activities either went uncovered by media or not carried out due to lack of funds.

Clubs Forma- tion	On going	The two fencing masters travelled to Tororo, the Eastern part of Uganda on the 5th of August and helped form a club which is also based at the current newly established eastern regional Centre. With a total of 135 participants signing up with interest to learn the sport of fencing.
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CHANGES/CHALLENGES/RESULTS

However, with this achievement, the club needs support technically and provision of equipment. The in charge who should also double as a coach has to be in position to manage the needs of the recruited fencers so as to avoid setbacks in the development of the club.

. Training 4.

Ongoing

Visited Gayaza High School and launched the sport of fencing on the. With a massive number of students spread out on the school pitch, the two fencing masters took the students through basics of fencing and fun fencing related interactive games. The two hour activity ended with all the 60 participants signing up with interest in learning the sport of fencing. Visited Tororo Girls School on the 5th

August registering over 135 interested participants.

Held a one week camp at Gayaza High School on the. The camp which was fully covered by the media was managed by one fencing master who trained over 30 fencers in foil and sabre taking them in simple attacks of direct hits.

Another one week camp was held at Christ School Bundibugyo on the camp was still managed by one fencing master who trained over 50 fencers in foil and sabre taking them in simple attacks of parry riposte combined with direct and indirect hits.

CHANGES/CHALLENGES/RESULTS

Facilitation needs to be doubled for the technical team so as to keep up with the training program of the various schools and centres this will enable continuity and development in the training process among the fencers.



5. Establishment of training and competition centres

On going

Established one regional training centre in the East at Tororo Girls School on the 5th August, the same day the sport was launched with a total of 135 participants attending the launch

CHANGES/CHALLENGES/RESULTS

There is need to fully equip the regional centres i.e. each regional centre should have a fencing piste, a scoring board and two reels, at least 10 pieces per weapon, 10 masks, 10 gloves, 10 pants, jackets, foil and sabre lames and chest protectors. This will add momentum to the development of fencers and the sport itself.

6. Equipment

On going

Received 575 pieces of donated fencing clothing from the British Fencing Federation. The clothing were shipped from London by Uganda Fencing Association and on arrival, a press conference was held to announce the donation.

Received second consignment, a donation from the American Fencing Association containing four fencing pistes. The fencing pistes were shipped in by Uganda Fencing Association with Future of Fencing Fund-Russia providing grant worth 4,060\$ for shipment and clearance costs.

The fencing pistes are still currently being held at customs, Uganda Revenue Authority due to a top up assessment which has to be cleared.

Received third consignment, equipment aid from the FIE worth 5000\$ which included a rubber fencing piste, two scoring machines and two reels. Shipment cost was met by the FIE and the consignment is currently at Entebbe customs awaiting clearance

CHANGES/CHALLENGES/RESULTS

Irrespective of receiving enormous amount of equipment which is great an achievement in terms of promotion and development of fencing in the country, Uganda Fencing Association still faces a challenge of tax levied on all the equipment she has received, prompting delays in clearance due to lack of available funds. The tax waiver request which was formally made to the commissioner of trade did not receive any consideration insisting no law that exempts tax on sports equipment.

Therefore, the Association needs to find viable solutions to this challenge either by partnering with entities that do not pay import tax or by finding sponsors as an alternative.

7. Special Needs

Not yet accomplished

This has been carried forward to the next activity calendar.

CHANGES/CHALLENGES/RESULTS

Uganda Fencing Association needs to partner with the Paralympic/special needs association to get interested participants into the sport.

8.	Competitions	Not achieved	Local competitions could not be held irrespective of having got equipment aid early enough due to sourcing of viable avenues in which to receive the aid without tax levy.
			International competitions, both zonal and world for both cadet/junior and seniors were not participated in due to financial shortfalls.

CHANGES/CHALLENGES/RESULTS

The Association's executive need to set up an income generating venture and also source out for sponsorship support for its athletes to compete in both local and international competitions and also to support organisation of local competitions. Coaches too need to be considered in the facilitation of international competitions so as the national teams set out for these competitions together with their coaches.

9.	World Fenc- ing Day	Accomplished	The activity which took place on the 9th September 2017 which engaged the Ugandan community.
			The celebration was held at one of the reknown International Universities in Uganda, Kampala International University. Participants started arriving at 10:00am at the venue and an opening remark was done by the Vice President, Uganda Fencing Association. The masters and fencers engaged with the community in fun fencing games. With over 18 fencers actively taking part in the celebration,

CHANGES/CHALLENGES/RESULTS

Sponsorship Proposals need to be sent eight months in advance for World Fencing Day celebrations 2018 due to the fact that almost all the sponsors approached for in kind support towards the facilitation of the 2017 World Fencing Day celebrations were not able and caused a huge financial set back to the organizing committee. This implementation will engage sponsors to include the World Fencing Day budget into their financial plan. The organizing Committee will have to identify and engage continuously a particular institution six months in advance so as to avoid abrupt shortfalls that may occur on the day of the event. This will give the interested institution time to prepare the appropriate tools for the event .with this particular implementation, the celebrations for the next World Fencing Day will be bigger, better and more successful. The fact that the particular date of 8th September is when most schools are closed for holidays and yet this is where the majority of the fencers hail from, the organizing Committee will have to inform the schools, the fencing clubs and teams six months in advance and start engaging three months to the event. This will maximize the interest of these particular schools and have this particular activity in their school calendar/ program included. Furthermore, not only to have the fencers participate but the various contacted schools at large which will give a wider community participation in the event. This will enable the organizing community proper planning and management of the event. The organizing committee has to maximize publicity of the event at all costs to engage a wider community for participation. Signing MOU's with media houses for advertising and coverage of this

particular event, holding a one week road drive prior to the event has to be in plan, advertising the event in the catchment areas two weeks prior to the event using banners and posters and branding of the event. With this implementation in place, the next event will attract a wider community far and wide which was not the case in the just concluded World Fencing Day.

Create partnerships with the key entities that are in control of particular services in the city like the City Authority and the police. The Uganda Fencing executive should work towards signing MOU's with key entities in control of service provision in the City of Kampala, like Kampala Capital City Authority and the Uganda Police. This will give the organizing committee leverage in working towards a successful event within the city with no hurdles to meet like how it was in the just concluded event

Identify and engage a particular chief guest who has the interest of sports and better still the sport of fencing to honor the event six months earlier is an implementation that will avoid situations of last

10.	Reviews	Accomplished	Held nine executive committee meetings in respect of activity calendar reviews.









IN PICTURS 2017







the skills they displayed in fencing managed to attract a number of participants within and few without the university.

The masters took the participants in basic fencing skills like the first position, the salute, foot and blade work, fun fencing games like glove games, etc. some of the experienced fencers in turn also took an experienced academy of young fencers through the same through to simple attacks.

The event also saw a session by one technical personnel who displayed the different equipment used in fencing and explained their different use to the participants with a Q&A session on the same. A team from the Rwanda Fencing Federation also honored the celebration. With their support of providing a fencing piste, scoring machine and reels towards the event, the

Rwanda Fencing Coach took the fencers to the session of two fencing bouts held at the peak of the event to market the sport of fencing to the Ugandan community.

The event came to an end at 3:00pm with closing remarks from the Vice President of the Uganda Fencing Association and thereafter signing up of participants interested to take up the sport of fencing where 15 participants registered.



• ACTIVITY / ACTION PLAN 2018 • • •

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ACTION PLAN

This Action Plan is for the promoting and awareness building of FENCING in Uganda, a tool for good health, intellectual and physical fitness and nurturing elite athletes

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NO	item/s	Making it Happen /	Ledu	vesources	Idiget
		Actions	Responsibility (Support)	required	Group
1.	Meetings	Executive Committee	- President	NB: See budget	- Executive
		Meetings:	- Secretary	- Air time	Board
		 Clubs Development 	General	- Meals	Members.
		 Raise funds for the 		- Transport	- Members
		development of UFA		- Stationery	
		Office Establishment			
2.	Office &	 Identify a suitable 	- 2 nd Vice	- Transport	N/A
	training Space	office for UFA	President and	facilitation	
		 Source for funds 	S.G	- Air time	
3.	Promotions	 Press 	Executive Board,	-Secretarial	- Corporate
	and	Conferences	2 nd Vice president	Services	 Schools and

N _o	Item/s	Making it Happen /	Lead	Resources	Target	Date/s
		Actions	Responsibility (Support)	required	Group	
	Marketing	Partnerships	and S.G	- Air time	higher	
		with corporate		- Transport	institutions of	
		companies		- Advertising	learning.	
		 Production and 		media	- community	
		sell of				
		federation				
		branded				
		products				
		 Street fencing 				
		exhibits				
		 Beach fencing 				
		 Activity media 				
		coverage				
4	Training	Regional Camp	- Fencing	- Finance	- Potential;	10 th -15 th Jan
	1	(cadet/ junior):	Masters	- First Aid Kits	Fencers,	(Christ
			- NOC	- Stationery	referees,	School
			- NCS	- Equipment	Volunteers	Bundibugyo,
			- Facilitators	- Venue	and Coaches	Western)

	No
	ltem/s
National Camp	Making it Happen / Actions
- Exec. Committee	Lead Responsibility (Support)
- Transport - Projector	Resources required
community	Target Group
12 th -17 th Feb(Arua West Nile, Northern) 15 th -20 th Mar(Gems Cambridge Kampala Central) 11 th -16 th April(Tororo Girls, Eastern) 20 th -25 th Sept(Tororo Girls School)	Date/s

S S	Item/s	Making it Happen / Actions	Lead Responsibility	Resources required	Target Group	Date/s
		• Let's Fence! Clinics(holiday program 6yrs above):	Sec. Gen.			15 th -20 th April(Sharing Hall Nsambya)
						10 th -15 th Aug(MUBS) 10 th -15 th (YMCA)
		Health & Fitness:	Sec. Gen			28 th April 25 th Aug
		• Coaches training	2 nd Vice			24"' Nov 10 th -24 th Aug
		 Referees training 	2 nd Vice			12 th -17 th June
		 International Camps 	1 st Vice			tbc

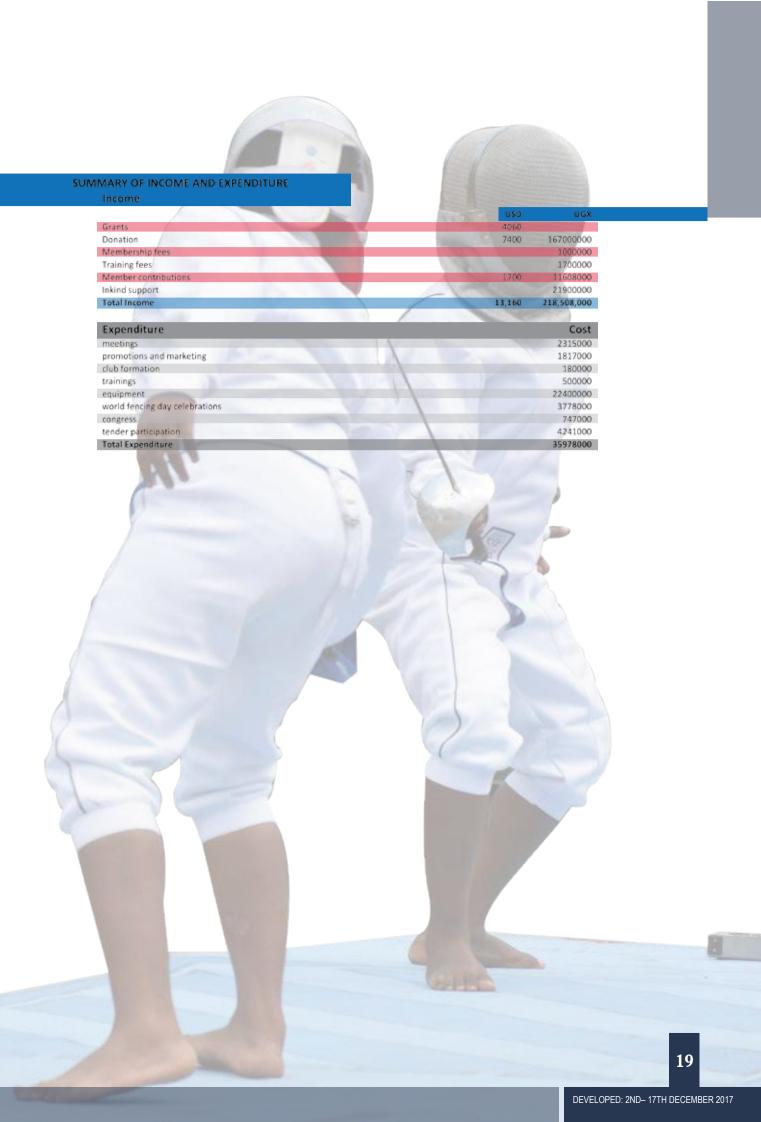
			6.								5.						No
			Equipment		Centres	Iraining	Turining	all A Regional	facilitation of	and	Establishment						Item/s
		Equipment.	 Secure more 						North)	East, West and	 Kampala Central, 	• Corporate tencing			Beach fencing	Actions	Making it Happen /
- NOC	- NCS	- OS	- FIE	Sec. Gen.	 2nd Vice and 	 Well wishers 	 Corporate Cos. 	- NCS.	- NOC.	- OS.	- FIE.	sec. Gen.			Sec. Gen.	(Support)	Lead
with customs	clear taxes	 Finances to 	 Donations 							Sports facility.	 Standard. 					required	Resources
- NOC	- NCS	- OS	- FIE							Institutions	 Schools and 					Group	Target
			Jan ongoing							ongoing	5 th Jan	2 Mar	Beach)	Nov(Ggaba	15 th		Date/s

No	Item/s	Making it Happen /	/ Lead	Resc	Resources	Target	Date/s
		Actions	Responsibility (Support)	red	required	Group	
			- UFA			- UFA	
			- Well wishers			- Well wishers	
7.	World Fencing	Spread and	- UFA Executive	- Equip	Equipment	- Fencers	Sept. 9 th
	Dav	celebrate the sport	r - Sponsors	- Event	Event Venue	- Clubs	
		of fencing to the	 Well wishers 	,		- Community	
		Ugandan					
		Community					
8.	Special Needs	 Involve people with 	th - UFA Executive	- Equip	Equipment	People with	Oct-Dec
	,	Special needs in the	ne - NCS	- Local	Local transport	Special needs	
		Sport of Fencing.	- noc	- Sport	Sport Facility	(athletes,	
			표 -	- Trainers	ers	Coaches,	
			- CAE	- Meals	۰,	referees)	
				- Air time	ne		
9.	Competitions	 Senior African 	- UFA Executive	- Air ticket	sket	- Fencers	5 th -9 th
	•	Championships	- Referees	- Accor	Accommodatio		June(Tunisia
			- Athletes	_			_
			- Clubs	- Comp	Competition		
		Cadet/ Junior		fee			$1^{st}-2^{nd}$
				- Licen	Licence fee		Mar(Nigeria)

	10.																			No
	Reviews																			ltem/s
of the year planner	 Review all activities 	Championships	National		4 3	t/ iunior)	Championships(cade	Regional		Championships	 Cadet /Junior World 		Championships	 Senior World 		Championships	African		Actions	Making it Happen /
- Clubs	 UFA executive 																	(Support)	Responsibility	Lead
- Air time	- Stationary					 Mobilisation 	 PA System 	- Medics	- Stationary	 Volunteers 	facilitation	- Referees	- Venue	- First Aid	- Refreshments	- Equipment	- Equipment		required	Resources
holders	 All stake 																		Group	Target
2019	19 th Jan	Sept(Tororo Girls School)	20 th -25 th	April	11 th -16 th	20 th Mar,	Feb, 15 th -	12 th -17 th	10 th -15 th Jan,	:	April(Italy)	1 st -9 th		Jul(China)	19 th -27 th					Date/s

PLAN REVIEW

This Activity / Action Plan will be reviewed by the Executive Board and Representatives of clubs mid – year (After 6 months).





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