

**SAFARICOM INTER UNIVERISITIES & COLLEGES
TEAMS CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP**

2022.

**UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY,
USIU - AFRICA**

NAIROBI, KENYA.

21st – 22nd May, 2022.

Tournament Report:

The tournament took place at United States International University-USIU, Nairobi from Saturday, 21st May to Sunday, 22nd May 2022.

This was the 2nd edition of the event with Safaricom being the title sponsor.

The arbitration team was led by International Arbiter (IA) James Kang'aru Mwangi.

Assisted by FA Cheryl Ngima

The other arbiters were NA David Lekopien, NA Ian Gichuguma, NA Thayu Macharia and Zadock Nyakundi.

Chief Photographer was Eastmond Mwenda of TBE Productions.

The Organizers were Lighthouse Chess Club with the Chairman, David Weswa, and International Organizer and School Instructor (IO/SI) Judith Kiragu overseeing the event.

In this report, it addresses the following topics:

1. Tournament overview
2. Safaricom Inter Universities and Colleges Teams Chess Championship.
3. Tournament reviews and Performances.
4. Conclusions.

Tournament Overview

The **2nd Edition of The Inter Universities and Colleges Teams Chess Championship** took place on the **21st to 22nd May 2022**. The tournament was a 7 Round Teams - Swiss System. The time control was 30 minutes plus a 30 seconds increment per move, making the event become a Classical event.

We had 20 teams taking part in the event, mainly;

1. Safaricom PLC
2. JKUAT – 2 teams
3. Strathmore
4. University of Nairobi
5. The Technical University of Kenya.

6. Kenyatta University
7. MKU – 2 teams.
8. Daystar University
9. USIU – Africa – 2 teams.
10. Kisii University
11. Kenya Methodist University
12. KCA University
13. Technical University of Mombasa – 2 teams
14. NIBS College
15. Kabarak University
16. Makerere University

The link to the tournament: <https://chess-results.com/tnr637413.aspx?lan=1>

View the list of participants with the teams: <https://chess-results.com/tnr637413.aspx?lan=1&art=8&turdet=YES&flag=30>

Tournament reviews and Performances.

The Safaricom Inter Universities and Colleges Teams Chess Championship 2022 had a prize fund of Ksh 96,000 with the Top team winning Ksh 40,000. The 1st Runners Up prizes got Ksh 25000, 2nd Runners Up was Ksh 15000, the 4th and 5th placed team got Ksh 8000.

This was the first time in Kenya that we had a Classical event of 30 minutes plus 30 seconds increment approved by the International Chess Federation (FIDE) and it will be FIDE Rated.

As a Classical tournament, all the players were mandated to record their moves meeting the International standards.

The tournament used the updated FIDE chess rules.

Overall Top Universities:

1. University of Nairobi
2. Strathmore University
3. Jomo Kenyatta
4. Kabarak University
5. Kenya Methodist University

Final Ranking:

Final Ranking after 7 Rounds									
Rk.	SNo	Team	Team	Games	+	=	-	TB1	TB2
1	4	University of Nairobi	UON	7	7	0	0	21	26,0
2	3	Strathmore University	Strath	7	6	0	1	18	24,0
3	2	JKUAT	Limitless JKUAT	7	5	0	2	15	25,0
4	16	Kabarak University	KABU Chess Team	7	4	0	3	12	20,5
5	12	Kenya Methodist University	KeMU Chess Club	7	4	0	3	12	20,0
6	7	Kenyatta University	Kenyatta Knights	7	4	0	3	12	19,0
7	14	Technical University of Mombasa	Pirates	6	3	0	3	12	17,5
8	8	MKU Main Thika	MKU Team A	7	4	0	3	12	17,0
9	10	USIU - Africa	USIU Phoenix	7	3	1	3	10	18,5
10	6	The Technical University of Kenya	TUK Chess Wizards	7	3	1	3	10	18,0
11	13	KCA University	KCA Chess Team	7	3	1	3	10	17,0
12	5	JKUAT	JKUAT Team B	7	3	1	3	10	15,5
13	18	MKU Thika	MKU Team B	6	2	1	3	10	12,5
14	9	Daystar University	Daystar Chess Falcons	7	3	0	4	9	19,0
15	11	Kisii University	Kisii Chess Team	7	3	0	4	9	17,5
16	17	Kenyatta University	KU Team B	6	2	0	4	9	10,0
17	15	NIBS College	NIBS Chess Club	6	1	1	4	7	11,0
18	19	Technical University of Mombasa	TUM Queens	6	1	0	5	6	6,0
19	20	USIU - Africa	USIU Team B	6	0	0	6	3	5,0
20	1	Safaricom PLC	Tukiuke	1	0	0	1	0	1,0

Conclusion and Recommendations.

The tournament was a great success with 120 players in the Safaricom Inter Universities and Colleges Teams Chess Championship 2022. This was contributed by everyone involved from the organizing team: Safaricom PLC, Lighthouse Chess Club, USIU – Africa, Kenya Academy of Sports (KAS), the institutions, and the arbitration team.

The tournament had players from 6 countries; Botswana, Nigeria, South Sudan, Zambia, Zimbabwe, and hosts Kenya. The majority are National team players from their respective

countries. This shows the tournament is embraced and accepted by many and with consistent and better prizes the event will be bigger.

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CC:

Kenya Academy of Sports

USIU – Africa, Kenya.

All Universities and Participants.