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Due to the unfortunate result of the COV-19 pandemic and the cancellation of the Mondial in Russia, the CF Committee has nothing to report regarding competition in 2020. Further, since no competition has taken place and none of our 2020 rule changes have been tested, the CF committee sees no need to make any changes to the competition rules at this point in time. We sincerely hope that the global situation will improve and that Russia will be able to host the Mondial in 2021.

Regarding World Records, the CF and the Rules and Regulations committees were involved in discussions earlier this year regarding the CF Large Formation Sequential and CF Large Formation Sequential Full Break rules. These discussions led to some changes to the wording of the rules in Section 5. These changes were reflected in an IBD dated June 23, 2020 and entitled “CF Records rule corrections” and can be found on the FAI/ISC website under IBDs. These changes will also be reflected in the 2021 version of Section 5.

This year the committee was approached with a request for a new World Record category. This new category was for CF Flocking. For various reasons, this request was rejected by the committee; however, the committee will continue to monitor this activity to see whether or not it warrants consideration in the future.

At the time of writing, there have been two new World Records set in CF, Large Formation Sequential -- Full Break. A 2 point, 25-way full break was performed on November 27 in Lake Wales Florida; and a 3 point 25-way full break World Record was achieved on November 29, again in Lake Wales Florida.

I would like to conclude by thanking the Committee, Deputy Chair Pasi Pirttikoski (Finland), and Committee Members Natasha Higman (UK), Marylou Laughlin (USA), Bernard Nicolas (France), Peter Pfalzgraf (Germany), Julia Sotnikova (Russia), and Henny Wiggers (Netherlands).

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