

KMP Life History Table – April 2016 (Julia Sutherland © kalahari-meerkats.com)

Group	No. Of Members ¹⁾	Dominant at end of month	No of Pups ³⁾	+Pregnant *Birth #Aborted ^Lost 4)	+Last seen *Dead #Predated ^Emigrated "Immigrated %Returned 5)	Leavers ⁶⁾	Encounters 7)	Inter-group En- counters ⁸⁾	Group splits ⁹⁾	Absent at end of month ¹⁰⁾	Habitua tion Levels	Disease and TB status
Axotwotis (AT)	5	Unknown Unknown	0	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	In process	
Baobab (BB)	20/21	VBBF069 VBBM099	4	*VBBF069 *VBBF104 #VBBF109 #VBBF112	None	VBBM015 x1 VBBM016 x1	VVHM089 x3	Van Helsing x1	None	VBBM113	Fully	
Drie Doring (D)	3/3	Unknown Unknown	0	None	+VDM186	None	None	None	None	None	Fully	TB
Ewoks (EK)	10/10	VEKF017 VJXM073	-1	*VEKF017 #VEKF023 #VEKF032	None	None	VWM186 x1	Whiskers x1	None	None	Fully	
Jaxx (JX)	5/5	VJXF058 VJXM066	-1	*VJXF080	None	None	None	None	None	None	Fully	
Lazuli (L)	8/8	VLF194 VLM207	-1	*VFL206	None	VLM220 x1	None	None	None	None	Fully	
Nematoads (NM)	5/5	Unknown Unknown	0	None	^2 wild	None	None	None	None	None	Fully	
Pandora (PA)	8/8	VPAF009 VPAM047	-2	^VPAF009 #VPAF023 +VPAF036 +VPAF037 *VPAF038	+VBBM062 +VPAM032	None	None	None	None	None	Incompl ete	None
Quint- essentials (QL)	7/7	VQLF010 VZUM006	-1	^VQLF010 *VQLF018 +VQFI019	*VEKF008 +VQLM002 +VQLM003	VEKF008	None	None	None	None	Fully	
Rascals (RR)	8/9	VRRF137 VLM189	0	#VRRF159 +VRRF174	+VRRM171 +VRRM172	None	None	None	None	VRRM185	Fully	

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Stumpy's Angels SA	2/2	VBBF088 Unknown	1	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	Fully	
Überkatz (UK)	10/10	VUKF003 VWM139	-1	#VUKF003 +VUKF018 *VUKF023	None	None	None	None	None	None	Fully	
Van Helsing (VH)	14/14	VVHF042 Unknown	0	^VVHF042 *VVHF072 *VVHF079	+VVHM071	VVHM089 x2 VVHF072 x1	VBBM015 x1 VBBM016 x1	Baobab x1	None	None	Fully	
Whiskers (W)	4/4	VWF176 VLM157	0	None	VWM186 x1	None	None	None	None	None	Fully	
Zulus (ZU)	8/8	Unknown Unknown	0	None	None	None	None	None	None	VZUF012 VQLM020	In process	

Explanations:

- 1) Number of meerkats present at the end of the month vs. total number of meerkats in group (both numbers including pups once they have emerged);
- 2) Dominant individuals at the end of the month. Underlined ID codes indicate the individual newly acquired dominance in this month.
- 3) Number of pups present in the group at the end of the month. -1 means that the group is babysitting an unknown number of pups (before emergence);
- 4) Pregnancy status: + Pregnant at any time during the month, * gave birth, # aborted pre-term, ^ lost litter after giving birth;
- 5) Individual status: + Last seen = Last seen (unknown cause), * found dead or euthanized, # Predated = assumed predated (for pups), ^ Emigrated = emigrated to another known group, "Immigrated = immigrated into group, % immigrated back to previous group (after emigration);
- 6) Roving, evictions or other absence of members of the groups (including the number of leaves);
- 7) Encounters with individuals from other groups (including number of encounters) at the group or its splinters, * encounter with absent individuals (rovers/evictees) from own group, without rejoining;
- 8) Encounters with other groups (Inter-Group-Interactions, IGIs);
- 9) Group splits with type and how many (leaving individuals originating from splits are not considered in item 6); daily: the group reunited the same day. overnight: the group was separated for one or more nights;
- 10) Individuals that are not with the group or a splinter including the dominant female, at the end of the month.
- 11) Habituation level of the group: Fully: Fully habituated, i.e. all members can be weighed; Incomplete: Specific individuals in the group that have to be habituated, In process: Habituation group.
- 12) Disease and TB status: TB: TB observed in group, D/I: Disease or injuries observed on single individuals.
- Groups marked grey: Habituation / dispersal group.