



KMP Life History Table – September 2017 (Lindsey Meador © kalahari-meerkats.com)

Group	No. of Members <sup>1)</sup>	Dominant at end of month <sup>2)</sup>	No of Pups <sup>3)</sup>	+Pregnant *Birth #Aborted ^Lost <sup>4)</sup>	+Last seen *Dead #Predated ^Emigrated "Immigrated %Returned <sup>5)</sup>	Leavers <sup>6)</sup>	Encounters <sup>7)</sup>	Inter-group Encounters <sup>8)</sup>	Group splits <sup>9)</sup>	Absent at end of month <sup>10)</sup>	Habituation Levels <sup>11)</sup>	Disease and TB status <sup>12)</sup>
Baobab (BB)	25/27	VBBF069 VVHM089	2	None	*VBBF110 #VBBU143	VBBP144 x1 VBBP145 x1	None	None	Daily x5	VBBP144 VBBP145	Fully	TB
(Little) Creatures (CR) (new group)	6-7	Unknown Unknown	0	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	In Process	None
Gold Diggers (GD)	11-14	Unknown Unknown	0	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	In Process	None
Hakuna Matata (HM)	10/11	VLF206 VCVM001	4	*VLF206	None	VHMM006 x1	None	None	None	VHMM006	Fully	None
Jaxx (JX)	12/12	VJXF080 VLM207	0	+VJXF080	None	VLM209 x1	None	None	None	None	Fully	None
Lazuli (L)	16/16	VLF223 VJXM095	0	None	None	None	None	None	Daily x2	None	Fully	None
Make-E-Plan (MP)	9/10	VQLF011 VZUM006	0	None	None	VMPF008 x1	None	None	Unknown Duration x1	VMPF008	Fully	D/I
Paprika (PR)	5	Unknown VVHM082	0	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	In Process	TB
Storm Troopers (SO)	4	Unknown VLM216	0	None	%VEKM050	None	Unknown x1	None	None	None	In Process	TB
TB-or-not-TB (TN)	4	VJXF089 Unknown	0	None	*VVHM101	None	None	None	None	None	In Process	None
Ubuntu (UB)	10-13	VBBF109 Unknown	0	None	None	VBBF104 x1	None	None	None	VBBF104	In Process	None

<b>Van Helsing (VH)</b>	23/23	VVHF042 VZUM017	0	None	%VNMM017	VNMM017 x3 VVHM102 x2	*VNMM017 x2	None	Daily x9	None	Fully	None
<b>Whiskers (W)</b>	10/10	VWF176 VLM157	1	*VWF176	None	None	None	None	None	None	Fully	None
<b>Yetis (YE)</b>	6	VYEF005 VYEM001	0	None	*VYEM003	None	None	None	None	None	In Process	TB
<b>Zulus (ZU)</b>	7/7	VZUF007 VLM211	0	None	None	VZUM030 x1	None	None	None	None	Fully	D/I

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, % returned to group after being previously AO;
  - 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 re-joining;
  - 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.