

KMP Life History Table –November 2018 (Lorna Harvey © kalahari-meerkats.com)

Group	No. of Members	Dominant at end of month ²⁾	No of Pups 3)	+Pregnant *Birth #Aborted ^Lost ⁴⁾	+Last seen *Dead #Predated ^Emigrated "Immigrated %Returned ⁵⁾	Leavers ⁶⁾	Encounters 7)	Inter-group Encounters ⁸⁾	Group splits ⁹⁾	Absent at end of month	Habituatio n Levels ¹¹⁾	Disease and TB status ¹²⁾
(Little) Creatures (CR)	8	Unknown VJXM104	0	None	%VCRF001 %VCRM002 x2 ^VLM207 "VLM207	VCRM002 x3	*VCRF001 x1 VHMM002 x1 VHMM003 x2	Run Amuk x1	None	VCRM002	In Progress	None
Elrond's Council (EC)	7	VBBF117 Wild Male	0	+VBBF117	None	VBBF116 x1	Unknown x1	None	None	VBBF116	In Progress	None
Freetails (FR)	2/2	VLF227 Wild Male	0	+VLF227	None	None	None	None	None	None	In Progress	None
Gold Diggers (GD)	15	Unknown Unknown	0	None	None	None	Unknown x1	None	None	None	In Progress	None
Hakuna Matata (HM)	14/14	VLF206 VCVM001	4	#VLF206	+VHMU020 %VHMM007 x1	VHMM007 x1	VWM205 x1 VWM209 x1	None	None	None	Fully	None
Jaxx (JX)	6/7	VJXF080 VLM221	0	+VJXF080	None	VJXM106 x1	VCRM002 x1	Unknown x1	None	VJXM106	Fully	None
Lazuli (L)	17/19	VLF223 VJXM095	0	+VLF223	+VJXM100 ^VLM228 ^VLM238 "VLM238 %VJXM098 x7 %VLM224 x7 %VLM234 x4 %VLF235 x1 %VLM236 x6 %VLM237 x6 %VLM237 x6 %VLM238 x1 %VLM239 x2 %VLM242 x2 %VLF244 x1 %VLM247 x1 %VLM248 x1	%VJXM098 x7 %VLM224 x7 %VLM234 x4 %VLF235 x1 %VLM236 x6 %VLM237 x6 %VLM238 x1 %VLM239 x2 %VLM242 x3 %VLF244 x1 %VLM247 x1 %VLM248 x1	VBBF104 x3 VBBF109 x4 VUBM004 x1 VUBM006 x2 VUBM007 x1 VUBM016 x1 Unknown x4	Ubuntu x7 Run Amuk x1	Daily x4	VLF230 VLM242	Fully	None
Make-E-Plan (MP)	14/14	VQLF011 VVHM103	0	+VQLF011	^VQLF018 ^VMPF001 ^VMPM005 %VVHM103 x1 %VVHM111 x1	VVHM103 x1 VVHM111 x1	VLM228 x5 VLM238 x5 VVHF042 x1 Unknown x1	Van Helsing x4 Namaqua x1	None	None	Fully	None

Namaqua (NQ) (new group)	4/4	VQLF018 VLM228	0	None	"VQLF018 ^VLM238 "VLM228 "VLM238 "VMPF001 "VMPM005 %VLM228 x1 %VLM238 x1 %VMPM005 x2	VLM228 x1 VLM238 x1 VMPM005 x2	None	Make-e-plan x1	None	None	Fully	None
Run Amuk (RU)	4/4	VRUF001 VHMM002	0	None	+VRUF005 +VJXF097 ^VLM207 "VLM207 %VHMM002 x2 %VHMM003 x4	VHMM002 x2 VHMM003 x3	*VHMM003 x1 Unknown x1	Lazuli x1 Little Creatures x1	None	None	Fully	None
Ubuntu (UB)	12/13	VBBF111 VUBM021	0	+VBBF111	^VBBF109 ^VUBM002 ^VUBM003 %VUBM004 x3 %VUBM006 x4 %VUBM007 x4 %VUBM016 x1	VUBM004 x4 VUBM006 x4 VUBM007 x4 VUBM016 x1	*VUBM006 x1 VBBF104 x7 VBBF109 x8 VQLF018 x1 VMPF001 x1 VMPM005 x1 VLM224 x2 VLM238 x3 VWM205 x1 VWM209 x1 VZUM026 x1 Unknown x3	Lazuli x7	None	VUBM004	In Progress	None
Unknown (UNK)	2	NA	0	None	+ VLM209 "VBBF109	N/A	N/A	Ubuntu Lazuli	None	None	Fully	None
Van Helsing (VH)	9/9	VVHF109 No Clear Dominance	0	None	+VVHM107 +VVHF102 *VVHF100 ^VVHF113 ^VVHF115 %VVHF100 x1 %VVHF109 x1 %VVHF109 x1 %VVHF113 x2 %VVHF115 x2 %VVHF116 x3 %VVHF130 x1	VVHF100 x1 VVHF109 x1 VVHF113 x2 VVHF115 x2 VVHF116 x3 VVHF130 x1	*VVHF113x1 *VVHF116 x1 VUBM002 x5 VUBM003 x5 VLM228 x1 VLM238 x1 Unknown x9	Make-e-plan x4 X-force x1	Overnight x1	None	Fully	ТВ
Whiskers (W)	12/13	VWF176 VLM157	0	+VWF176	%VWM205 x3 %VWM207 x1 %VWM208 x3 %VWM209 x3	VWM205 x2 VWM207 x1 VWM208 x3 VWM209 x3	*VWM205 x1 *VWM207 x1 *VWM208 x1 *VWM209 x1 Unknown x3	None	None	VWM207	Fully	VWM208 VWM209

X-Force (XF)	6/6	VVHF115	0	None	"VVHF113	VUBM003 x1	None	Van Helsing x1	None	None	Fully	None
(new group)		No Clear			"VVHF115							
		Dominance			"VVHF116							
					"VUBM002							
					"VUBM003							
					%VUBM003 x1							
Zulus (ZU)	8/8	VZUF007	0	+VZUF007	%VZUM026 x8	VZUM026 x8	Unknown x2	None	None	None	Fully	None
		VLM211									-	

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 rejoining;
- 8) Encounters with other groups (Inter-Group-Interactions, IGIs);
- 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 progress: 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.