



KMP Life History Table – June 2020 (Shaz Alderton © 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 <sup>5)</sup>	+Emigrated *Immigrated #Leavers ^Returned "Evicted %Evictend <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>
Lazuli (L)	14/14	VLF230 VLM266	5	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	Advanced Progress	None
(Little) Creatures (CR)	5/5 + 1 Wild Individual	VCRF013 Unknown	0	None	+VCRF012	#VCRM010 x1 ^VCRM010 x1	None	None	None	None	In Progress	None
Gold Diggers (GD)	12/12	Unknown Unknown	3	None	#VGDP017	*VUBM018	None	None	None	None	Advanced Progress	None
Tswana (TS)	12/12	VTSF009 Unknown	0	None	+VTSM008 +VTSM010 +VTSF016	None	None	None	None	None	Advanced Progress	None
Elrond's Council (EC)	23/23	VBBF117 VLM211	9	None	#VECP029	#VECF027 x1 #VECF032 x2 #VECM023 x1 #VECM025 x1 ^VECF027 x1 ^VECF032 x2 ^VECM023 x1 ^VECM025 x1	*VECF032 x1	None	None	None	Incomplete	None
Hakuna Matata (HM)	16/18	VHMF001 VLM234	4	*VHMF001	None	#VLM247 x1 ^VHMF031 x1 ^VLM247 x1 %VHMF030 x1	Unknown x1	None	None	VHMP043 VHMP045	Fully	None
Jaxx (JX)	18/18	VJXF080 VLM221	3	None	*VJXF127	#VJXF135 x1 ^VJXF135 x1	Unknown x1	None	None	None	Fully	None
Make-E-Plan (MP)	18/18	VQLF011 VVHM117	4	None	#VMPPM049	None	None	None	None	None	Fully	None
Namaqua (NQ)	16/16	VQLF018 VLM228	5	None	None	#VNQF013 x1 ^VNQF013 x1	None	None	None	None	Fully	None
Ubuntu (UB)	17/17	VBBF111 VUBM021	4	None	None	+VUBM018	None	None	None	None	Fully	None
Whiskers (W)	18/18	VWF176 VLM157	0	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	Fully	None
Zulus (ZU)	14/15	VZUF028 VWM213	0	+VZUF028	None	#VWM216 x1 ^VWM216 x2 ^VWM210 x1 "VWM210 x1	*VWM210 x8 *VWM216 x1	None	None	None	Fully	None

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), \*Dead = found dead or euthanized, # Predated = assumed predated (for pups).
  - 6) +Emigrated = emigrated to another known group, \*Immigrated = immigrated into group, #Leavers = Roving, evictions or other absence of members of the groups (including the number of leaves), ^Returned = returned to group after being previously AO, "Evicted= individuals who have been evicted from the group, %Evictend= Previously evicted individuals who have returned to the group.
  - 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; Advanced Progress: Habituation group where all individuals are identifiable through consistent dye marks and data is able to be collected on all individuals; In progress: Habituation group. Note: "Advanced Progress" habituation level addition made during April 2020 revision.
  - 12) Disease and TB status: TB: TB observed in group, D/I: Disease or injuries observed on single individuals.
- N/A: Not applicable (if a group has not been found, has split, has gone extinct).
- Groups marked grey: Habituation / dispersal group.