

Monthly Overview of Life History Data - February 2026

Group Name	Adlib hours (sessions)	Dominant at end of the Month	Group Count (Begin - End of Month)	No. of Pups (Begin - End of Month)	Pregnant Birth Aborted Lost	Last Seen Dead Predated	Emigrated Immigrated Left Returned Evicted Evicted Ended	Encounters	Inter-Group Interactions	Group Splits	Absent at end of month	Habituation Levels
<b>Full Data Collection Group</b> 10 groups												
Alba <i>AL</i>	AM: 36h (14) PM: 14h (10)	♀ VALF008 ♂ VECM023	26-26	3-3	♀ VALF023 ♀ VALF008	None	VALM014 (♂ → ♀) VALM024 (♂ → ♀)	None	Unknown	Daily x1	None	Complete
Brussels Sprouts <i>BS</i>	AM: 33h (11) PM: 16h (10)	♀ VMPF035 ♂ VGDM011	19-18	5-4	None	♀ VBSM025	VBSM014 (♂ → ♀) VBSM017 (♂ → ♀ → ♀ → ♀ → ♀ → ♀) VBSM024 (♂ → ♀) VBSM025 (♂ → ♀ → ♀) VGDM011 (♂ → ♀) VBSF022 (♂ → ♀) VBSM021 (♂ → ♀)	None	Unknown	Daily x1, Overnight x1	VBSM025	Complete
Gold Diggers <i>GD</i>	AM: 33h (13) PM: 18h (11)	♀ VGDF007 ♂ VUBM018	27-27	4-4	None	None	None	None	Unknown	Daily x2	None	Complete
Jaxx <i>JX</i>	AM: 29h (11) PM: 17h (10)	♀ VJXF160 ♂ VJXM200	19-24	8-5	None	None	VJXM194 (♂ → ♀) VJXF205 (♂ → ♀) VJXM206 (♂ → ♀)	None	Unknown	Daily x1, Overnight x1	None	Advanced Progress
Lazuli <i>L</i>	AM: 37h (15) PM: 20h (10)	♀ VLF308 ♂ VGDM015	20-19	5-4	None	♀ VLU330	VLU330 (♂) VLF319 (♂ → ♀)	None	Unknown	Daily x3	VLU330	Complete
Side Quest <i>SI</i>	AM: 22h (9) PM: 8h (8)	♀ VZUF048 ♂ VECM009	20-23	2-3	♀ VZUF048	None	VSI046 (♂ → ♀) VSIM032 (♂ → ♀)	None	Unknown	None	None	Complete
Trackie-Daks <i>TD</i>	AM: 25h (9) PM: 14h (9)	♀ VTDF041 ♂ VWM275	21-21	5-5	♀ VTDF041	None	None	None	Unknown	None	None	Advanced Progress
Ubuntu <i>UB</i>	AM: 26h (9) PM: 16h (9)	♀ VUBF039 ♂ VHMM048	18-22	4-4	♀ VUBF039	None	None	None	Unknown	None	None	Complete
Vetkoeks <i>VK</i>	AM: 33h (12) PM: 22h (13)	♀ VHMF053	17-17	5-0	None	None	None	None	Unknown	None	None	Complete
Zulus <i>ZU</i>	AM: 33h (12) PM: 15h (10)	♀ VZUF070 ♂ VGDM028	22-26	5-4	♀ VZUF077	None	None	None	Unknown	None	None	Complete
<b>Habituation Group</b> 3 groups												
Hogwarts <i>HW</i>	None	♀ VZUF051 ♂ VHWM004	19-19	None	♀ VZUF051	None	None	Unknown	Unknown	None	None	In Progress
Khoisan <i>KS</i>	None	null	Unknown	None	None	None	VTDM013 (♂)	Unknown	Unknown	None	None	In Progress
Whiskers <i>W</i>	None	♀ VWF267 ♂ VTDM017	19-19	9-0	None	None	None	Unknown	Unknown	None	None	In Progress
<b>Life History Monitoring Group</b> 2 groups												
Dik-Diks <i>DD</i>	None	♀ VGDF009 ♂ VUBM046	18-22	0-4	♀ VGDF009 ♀ VGDF022	None	None	Unknown	Unknown	None	None	Advanced Progress
Elronds Council <i>EC</i>	None	♂ NoDominant ♂ VECM070	16-13	4-3	None	♀ VECM069 ♀ VECF075 ♀ VECU079	VECU079 (♂) VECM070 (♂ → ♀)	Unknown	Unknown	None	VECU079	Advanced Progress

Legend

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- 1) Number of meerkats present at the end of the month vs. total number of meerkats in group (both numbers include pups once they have emerged).
  - 2) Number of Adlib hours (AM- morning sessions, PM- afternoon sessions) and the number of Adlib sessions.
  - 3) Dominant individuals at the end of the month. Underlined ID codes indicate the individual newly acquired dominance in this month.
  - 4) Number of individuals present in the group at the start of the month, then at the end of the month.
  - 5) Number of pups present in the group at the start of the month, then at the end of the month.
  - 6) Pregnancy status: ♀ Pregnant at any time during the month, ♀ gave birth, ♂ aborted pre-term, ⚠ lost litter after giving birth.
  - 7) Individual status: ⚠ Last seen = Last seen (unknown cause), ⚠ Dead = found dead or euthanized, ⚠ Predated = assumed predated (for pups).
  - 8) ♀ 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 times left group), ♀ 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.
  - 9) 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.
  - 10) Encounters with other groups (Inter-Group-Interactions, IGIs). \*Appears = Individuals not acting as part of the group but still on the marksheet.
  - 11) Group splits with type and how many (leaving individuals originating from splits are not considered in item 8); Daily: the group reunited the same day. Overnight: the group was separated for one or more nights.
  - 12) Individuals that are not with the group or a splinter including the dominant female, at the end of the month.
  - 13) 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 can be collected from all individuals; **In progress**: Habituation group.
- Note:** Data collection levels are now shown as group headers. This table is updated monthly. If you have any questions or need further information, please contact the data manager.