

MALAMALA GAME RESERVE GAME REPORT – SEPTEMBER 2016

AREAS COVERED: MARTHLY / EYREFIELD / MALAMALA / FLOCKFIELD / CHARLESTON

WEATHER SUMMARY – SEPTMBER

SEPTEMBER WEATHER SUMMARY					
<i>TEMPERATURE</i>					
Celsius (°C)			Fahrenheit (°F)		
	Actual	Average		Actual	Average
Maximum	37	28,8	Maximum	98,6	83,9
Minimum	14	18,7	Minimum	57,2	65,7
<i>RAINFALL</i>					
Millimeters		Inches		Days of rain	
9		0,35		1	

*AGES ARE APPROXIMATIONS AS AT END OF SEPTEMBER 2016

LIONS

STYX PRIDE = 13

1 ADULT FEMALE	13 YEARS 8 MONTHS
1 ADULT FEMALE	8 YEARS 8 MONTHS
1 ADULT FEMALES	5 YEARS 8 MONTHS
2 ADULT MALES	4 YEARS 8 MONTHS
5 CUBS	±6 MONTHS
3 CUBS	±3 MONTHS

NORTHERN EYREFIELD

Males last seen with core pride: May, 2015. Last seen: January, 2016
(6 sightings)

Seen on two more occasions during September (6) than in August, the Styx pride were initially encountered someways east of Mlowathi dam on a buffalo kill in the first week of the month. This carcass fed nine members of the pride, which were viewed, for almost three full days. This buffalo was one of three which the pride was seen feeding off of during September, two were consumed by the members of the pride alone and the third was shared with two males from the Gowrie coalition. The latter was a fantastic sighting as we watched these lions feeding off of the remains of the carcass in Wild Dog Rocks open area.

One of the lionesses from the Styx pride and the cubs are not looking in the best of condition, it appears they are suffering from a severe case of mange. We hope this improves over the next few months.

EYREFIELD PRIDE = 10

2 ADULT FEMALES	9 YEARS 3 MONTHS
1 SUB-ADULT MALE	4 YEARS 7 MONTHS
1 SUB-ADULT FEMALE	4 YEARS 7 MONTHS
1 SUB-ADULT MALE	4 YEARS 4 MONTHS
1 SUB-ADULT MALE	4 YEARS 1 MONTH
1 FEMALE CUB	10 MONTHS
1 MALE CUB	10 MONTHS
1 FEMALE CUB	9 MONTHS
1 MALE CUB	9 MONTHS

MALA MALA, FLOCKFIELD

(23 sightings)

The somewhat erratic movements of the Eyrefield pride we noticed in August continued into the first week of September. On the first of the month, of these lions was on the track which leads to Hyena waterhole (western Flockfield), next they were found at the junction of the old MalaMala-Flockfield boundary and Northern side Kapen (eastern Flockfield), then again at Confluence crossing (western Flockfield) - all of these sightings were separated by two days.

The Eyrefield pride did not stray too far from confluence crossing for the next two and a half weeks, being viewed between the eastern bank of the Sand River north of West Street bridge and the White Cloth. During this time, they successfully captured five buffalo - all of which were shared by the seven members of the pride and the two Matshapiri males, who were all seen together a total of 16 occasions during September.

During the last week of the month, the Eyrefield seemingly vanished from the aforementioned area overnight - only to be found around Paddy's pools. Not the most common place for them to be found, a move possibly attributed to the random appearance of six lionesses from the Marthly break-away pride. Their westward migration begun shortly thereafter, only to be delayed by a buffalo carcass on Zebra skull north which the Eyrefield pride presumably scavenged - it is here they met up once more with the Matshapiri males who helped finish up the little remains of the carcass. Clearly this 'snack' had not satiated the hunger of the lions as they were witnessed capturing and killing a buffalo bull that same afternoon.

The Eyrefield pride were viewed a total of 23 days during September throughout Flockfield, of which: 16 were with the two male lions from the Matshapiri pride and on seven separate buffalo carcasses - all shared with the males.

FOURWAYS PRIDE = 6

1 ADULT FEMALE	UNKNOWN AGE
1 SUB ADULT FEMALE	6 YEARS 3 MONTHS
2 MALE CUBS	10 MONTHS
2 FEMALE CUBS	10 MONTHS
EASTERN FLOCKFIELD	
(5 sightings)	

Whatever conflict took place between the Eyrefield pride and Fourways pride, ensured the sightings of the latter (5) during September, were usually when the former were well out of the eastern parts of Flockfield. The Fourways pride were seen on the first two days of the month, around the windmill - one of which included seeing them with the Matshapiri males.

These six lions were not seen again for three weeks, until they were spotted feeding off of the remains of two buffalo bulls. The Fourways pride and their quarry were in a steep drainage line west of Martial loop, where they remained for the duration of the day. The following day they had moved off, presumably to find some water, and were located on the eastern parts of the Charleston-Flockfield boundary in the deepest shade they could find. The following day they were seen around the buffalo carcasses again - this time with a third in the area. Clearly the Fourways pride had been busy hunting the ever weakening buffalo in the area, or they are capitalising on the natural deaths of animals expiring due to the harsh conditions - either way, the lions are all looking healthy and well fed. They were not seen again during the month.

MARTHLY PRIDE = 11

2 ADULT FEMALES	14 YEARS 1 MONTH
1 ADULT FEMALE	5 YEARS 2 MONTHS
3 SUB-ADULT MALES	3 YEARS 3 MONTHS
1 SUB-ADULT FEMALE	3 YEARS 3 MONTHS
2 CUBS	±4 MONTHS
3 CUBS	±3 MONTHS
MARTHLY, MALAMALA	

(7 sightings)

Representatives of the Marthly pride were seen on six days of the month, during seven sightings - the 15th of September being the day when there was more than one sighting. Our first was of the two lionesses and their five cubs, feeding off of the remains of a deceased hippo around Bicycle crossing. Almost a week later - the tailless lioness and the four sub-adults were seen in the same general area. They were clearly ready for something to eat, as we watched them stalking a buffalo. A venture which was unsuccessful on this day, but paid off the next when these five lions captured an old buffalo bull at Bicycle crossing. This meal lasted them two full days, before moving away from the riverbed and heading for some more comfortable ground to sleep off their large (and rapidly consumed) meal. This sighting was our last of any members of the Marthly pride during September.

CHARLESTON PRIDE = 5

1 ADULT FEMALE

11 YEARS 8 MONTHS

2 ADULT MALES

5 YEARS 4 MONTHS

2 MALE CUBS

± 1 YEAR 6 MONTHS

CHARLESTON

(0 sightings of the female; 0 of the two male cubs; 0 of the two adult males)

There were no confirmed sightings of this pride.

MATSHAPIRI PRIDE = 3

2 ADULT MALES

±6 YEARS 5 MONTHS

1 ADULT FEMALE

±4 YEARS 5 MONTHS

FLOCKFIELD, SOUTHERN MALAMALA

DOMINANT OVER THE EYREFIELD AND FOURWAYS PRIDES

First encounter: April 2015

(24 sightings)

The two male lions from the Matshapiri pride were the most viewed lions on the property, during the month of September - being seen on 24 days of the month. Of this they were seen: once with the Fourways pride (in the general area of the windmill), alone on seven occasions, and the remainder of the sightings they were in the company of the Eyrefield pride.

These two were first seen in the general area of the windmill, their next general movements were in the direction of the Sand River, ending their journey at Confluence crossing, where they met up with the Eyrefield pride, a union which lasted almost three weeks and included five buffalo kills which were shared. The last week of the month found these two males alone once more, not for very long however as they soon met up with the Eyrefield pride once more - finishing off the last of, and assisting in capturing another buffalo. Bringing the total up to seven buffalo shared during the month of September.

TJELLAHANGA PRIDE=9

2 ADULT FEMALES

UNKNOWN AGES

1 SUB-ADULT FEMALE

± 4 YEARS 8 MONTHS

6 SUB-ADULT MALES

± 4 YEARS 8 MONTHS

EASTERN CHARLESTON, EASTERN FLOCKFIELD, EASTERN MALAMALA

(0 sightings)

There were no confirmed sightings of this pride.

JAKKALSDRAAI MALES = 2

2 ADULT MALES

6 YEARS 2 MONTHS

WESTERN FLOCKFIELD, WESTERN CHARLESTON

(0 sightings)

There were no confirmed sightings of this pride.

CLARENDON MALES = 2

2 ADULT MALES

±11 YEARS 9 MONTHS

MARTHLY

(2 sightings)

Another month in which we had two sightings of the Clarendon males, our first encounter was just shy of the midway mark of September when both males were seen along the track which leads to Matumi rocks. The second encounter was with a single of these two males, along the same track - three days later. During both of these encounters, the males were making their way out of Marthly - without drawing any attention to themselves.

GOWRIE MALES = 5

1 ADULT MALE

± 5 YEARS 11 MONTHS

1 ADULT MALE

± 5 YEARS 5 MONTHS

3 ADULT MALES

± 4 YEARS 11 MONTHS

EYREFIELD, MALAMALA - DOMINANT OVER THE STYX PRIDE

First encounter: September 2015

(2 sightings)

Similarly to the last few sightings of the Gowrie males during August, the first and only two encounters we had with representatives of the coalition were in the company of the Styx pride. The first of which was of two of the males, with the full compliment of the Styx pride, on Wild Dog Rocks open area - where all of these animals were seen sharing a buffalo kill. Two days later, one of the Gowrie males was seen with two of the lionesses from the Styx pride on the Gowrie boundary - west of Clarendon open area. It has been some time since these males have ventured off of Eyrefield.

Other lions encountered

- Marthly break-away pride: 4 sightings

Yet again the six lionesses from the Marthly break-away pride were seen during September, on four different days. This is the second month in a row these lionesses have been seen on the property, first spotted upstream from West Street bridge. Their journey took them further upstream, close to MalaMala main camp before venturing off of the property. It was not until the last week of the month when these lionesses returned, spending two full days adjacent Flockfield pool.

- No ID lions: 4 sightings

While it cannot be confirmed, one lioness and four younger male lions were seen during

September, more than likely members of the Sand River pride. These individuals were seen between Flat Rocks and Rocky crossing, on four days of the month - one was on a hippo carcass, two more were on a buffalo carcass at Rocky crossing.

NUMBER OF DIFFERENT LIONS ENCOUNTERED (approximate)

SEPTEMBER	39
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LEOPARDS:

BICYCLE CROSSING MALE

14 YEARS 7 MONTHS

WESTERN MALAMALA, FLOCKFIELD

(4 sightings)

The first encounter we had of the Bicycle crossing male was in the central parts of his territory, in the Kapen River - close to Picadilly crossing in the last third of the month. He was seen on three more occasions, during the next week. The following encounter was further east into Flockfield, before he made his way back to the Sand River (Charleston North crossing). The Bicycle crossing male was not alone at this sighting, as another male was seen in the general vicinity. There was no physical altercation between the two, however neither parties seemed to appreciate the others company.

There was one more sighting of this dominant male during September, toward the end of the month. He was found close to the Treehouse - making use of the thick shade provided by the heavily foliated trees in the area.

WEST STREET MALE

7 YEARS 5 MONTHS

CHARLESTON

(2 sightings)

Two sightings of the West Street male during September, both of which were during the last couple of days of the month. This male was found much further north than usual, around Charleston North crossing - with an impala kill.

Is it possible that he is pushing further north? If so, the dynamics between him and the Bicycle crossing male (the dominant male who's territory he is intruding in) will be very interesting.

TREEHOUSE MALE

± 6 YEARS 9 MONTHS

WESTERN MALAMALA

(14 sightings)

We had two less sightings of this young male during September, than in the month previously. Similarly though, he made his presence known during the 14 days on which we encountered him. During the first week he was seen on five days, the first two were in the company of the Tamboti female - the pair were seen mating and sharing a stolen kill, which had been claimed from some hyena by the Tamboti female.

From here, the Treehouse male moved eastward cross the river - marking territory, eventually returning to the Sand River and linking up with the Island female, at Wildebeest crossing. The pair stayed together for three days, during which they were seen mating on numerous occasions.

The remaining weeks of the month, included; territorial patrolling between the Tamboti thickets and Marthly, mating with a third (unknown) leopardess around Maxim's lookout and stealing a kill from the Island female in front of Sable camp.

TSLEBE ROCKS MALE
NORTHERN EYREFIELD
(0 sightings)

± 10 YEARS 3 MONTHS

There were no confirmed sightings during the reported period.

ACCIPITER MALE
MALAMALA
(2 sightings)

± 6 YEARS 1 MONTH

September, a month when the illusive nature of the Accipiter male returned - with this male only being seen on two occasions. The first of which was around the very eastern parts of Wild Dog rocks open area, he was seen feeding off of the remains of an impala carcass. Whether or not he had made the kill, or stolen it from another - we are not certain, but he was only seen in this area for one day.

He was not seen until much later in the month, when he was found at the junction of Hogvaal road and the road which is on the eastern side of the Matshapiri river. He was not alone, as he was joined by the Tamboti female. They were not seen mating, but she was following him around - this pair were not pursued due to the somewhat shy nature of the male.

SPLIT ROCK MALE
EYREFIELD, MALAMALA

2 YEARS 3 MONTHS

Son of the Ostrich Koppies female, independent latter half of 2015

(5 sightings)

This young male, previously known as the son of the Ostrich Koppies female has been independent for quite some time now - and with no sightings of his mother, nor him in her company, since the end of 2015. The Spit Rock male is still somewhat nomadic, more than likely trying to find an available niche for himself in his mother's old territory - while avoiding the already established dominant males in the area - namely the Accipiter male.

We viewed the Split rock male on five separate days during the month - mainly along the Matshapiri River. The crossing of which was a place he was seen in the company of the Emsagweni female toward the middle of the month - eventually ending with this young male chasing her up a tree and displaying his dominance over her.

KIKILEZI FEMALE
1 MALE CUB
1 FEMALE CUB

14 YEARS 11 MONTHS

5 MONTHS

5 MONTHS

WESTERN MALAMALA, WESTERN EYREFIELD, MARTHLY

(3 sighting of female, 2 sightings of the cubs, 14 sightings of female and cubs)

Once again, the Kikilezi female was the most viewed leopard during the month of September, being seen a total of 17 days of the month, three of which were not in the company of her cubs. All of the occasions

she and her two offspring were seen they were along the northern and southern banks of the Sand River - occasionally crossing westwards off of our property. There has been a definite western migration from the Kikilezi female since the birth of her newest litter - we can but only speculate that the ever growing presence of her 3:3 spot pattern daughter is resulting in the Kikilezi female making her way slowly out of the area.

During the month this almost 15 year old female leopard, was seen on two separate kills which she shared with her two cubs. They were not the only offspring she was seen with during September and was recorded on one occasion with her daughter from her last litter (3:3 spot pattern) - midway along the track which runs westward from Bicycle crossing. To say their interaction was hostile would be going a bit far, but it is definitely safe to say neither party appreciate the presence of the other.

PICADILLY FEMALE

2 YEARS 9 MONTHS

WESTERN EYREFIELD, MARTHLY

Daughter of the Kikilezi female, independent first quarter of 2016

(13 sightings)

Previously referred to as the 3:3 spot pattern daughter of the Kikilezi female, the Picadilly female is just shy of three years of age and is clearly turning into quite a force to be reckoned with, being seen on 13 occasions during September. This young leopardess is holding her own over her mother's old territory, which centres around the area referred to as Picadilly triangle, and generally north and westwards from there.

This young female was seen on two separate occasions feeding off of the remains of impala carcasses. The first of which was along Rhino pens, at the end of the first week of September. The second was on the banks of the Mlowathi River, the lower reaches thereof, she took almost three full days to finish the second carcass - heading into the last week of the month.

SIBUYE FEMALE

2 YEARS 9 MONTHS

WESTERN EYREFIELD, MARTHLY

Daughter of the Kikilezi female, independent first quarter of 2016

(1 sighting)

The Sibuye female, once known as the 2:2 spot pattern daughter of the Picadilly female - the same age as her sister, seen less frequently and somewhat less dominant. She is seen from the northern parts of Eyrefield, and has been recorded as far south as West Street bridge. The Sibuye female was seen fairly often in the western and central parts of Eyrefield, along which Sibuye road runs, hence her naming.

This young leopardess was seen on one occasion during the month of September, she too was in her mother's territory again this month - and with the remains of an impala carcass too.

TAMBOTI FEMALE**9 YEARS 0 MONTHS**

WESTERN FLOCKFIELD, WESTERN MALAMALA

(7 sightings)

Although we saw the Tamboti female on only seven occasions during the month of September, this female made sure to keep things very interesting for those which were fortunate to view her. After not being seen for a few days, our first sighting of the Tamboti female was midway through the first week of the month where she was seen dashing in and stealing the remains of an impala carcass from a hyena, which had just done the same thing from an unsuspecting leopardess. She proceeded to tree her quarry, in front of the Treehouse male (also our first sighting of him for the month), these two remained in the area for two days - feeding, resting and mating over the duration.

Other highlights for September in terms of sightings of the Tamboti female were of her, moving general southwards along the western bank of the Sand River - capturing, killing and eating an African Harrier hawk. After this she moved eastwards where she was spotted in Matshapiri open area during the latter parts of one morning - only to be found in the company of the Accipiter male in the afternoon, in what was our last sighting of her for the month.

ISLAND FEMALE**3 YEARS 7 MONTHS**

WESTERN FLOCKFIELD, WESTERN MALAMALA

Daughter of the Tamboti female, independent first quarter of 2015

(16 sightings)

There was not one complaint about the number of sightings of this up and coming female during September, being seen on 16 days of the month. The Island female was seen in, and on the banks of, the Sand River during the month - including two separate kills (impala and bushbuck) and a three day mating bout with the Treehouse male.

She is definitely of age now where she is ready to bear young - will this most recent mating lead to her pregnancy? We will have to wait and see what October holds.

MLOWATHI FEMALE**9 YEARS 8 MONTHS****DAUGHTER OF THE MLOWATHI FEMALE****±3 YEARS 10 MONTHS**

NORTHWESTERN EYREFIELD

(0 sightings)

There were no confirmed sightings during the reported period.

OSTRICH KOPPIES FEMALE**11 YEARS 9 MONTHS**

EYREFIELD

(0 sightings)

There were no confirmed sightings of the Ostrich Koppies female during September, and it has been this way for quite some time. As this is so, we feel it is safe to assume this female has moved on - either out of the area or the living world. Either way, she will be removed from the monthly game report.

MATSHIPIRI FEMALE**15 YEARS 11 MONTHS**

EASTERN MALAMALA, EASTERN EYREFIELD

(2 sightings)

All of a sudden the Matshapiri female is making a reappearance on the property, always great to see this elderly leopardess. She was seen on two days during September, both of which were close to the lower reaches of the Mhlabatini donga. During the first she stalked a steenbok, an activity which proved fruitless.

EMSAGWENI FEMALE**6 YEARS 9 MONTHS****CUB****± 7 MONTHS**

MALAMALA

(4 sightings of female, 0 sightings of female and cub, 0 sightings of her cub)

A full month passes with no sign of the cub of the Emsagweni female, who was seen on four separate occasions during September. Her eye which was damaged between our last two sightings of her in August is showing no signs of improving, in fact quite the opposite. During our four sightings of this female, she was seen between Buffalo pans and Paddy's pools, where she had captured a steenbok. She was not the only predator in this area, as the Eyrefield pride were here too - they did not take too well to the presence of the Emsagweni female and sent her scrambling up a marula tree, where she remained for the better part of the day.

FLOCKFIELD FEMALE**12 YEARS 5 MONTHS**

CENTRAL & EASTERN FLOCKFIELD, NORTHERN CHARLESTON

(0 sightings)

There were no confirmed sightings during the reported period.

LOOKOUT FEMALE**6 YEARS 8 MONTHS****MALE CUB****± 10 MONTHS**

WESTERN FLOCKFIELD, NORTHERN CHARLESTON

(1 sighting of the female, 2 sightings of the female and cub, 1 sighting of the cub)

Much relief was felt when the cub of the Lookout female was seen, in the company of his mother on the second day of September, after a two month absence. They were both seen again just shy of two weeks later - this time, they were in different locations. The Lookout female was along the old MalaMala-Flockfield boundary, while her youngster was midway along western side Kapen.

Although, this young male is looking very content on his own - he is still dependant on his mother for food. Although we don't know too much about her habits, based on her fairly secretive lifestyle - she is an excellent mother - with this pair being seen with two different carcasses toward the end of the month. The steenbok and impala she had captured kept both of the two leopards well fed for the last two days of September.

Other leopards encountered:

- **Males:** (7 sightings, 6 individuals)
 - There were seven sightings of 6 male leopards during September:
 - One male was seen in north eastern Eyrefield, an identity was unobtainable
 - A male was seen in the Sand River, on two different occasions in front of Rattray's camp - while we are not certain if this is the same leopard, it was more than likely the Treehouse male.
 - Two males were seen at Charleston north crossing, one was the Bicycle crossing male, he was joined by another no ID individual.
 - One male was seen in eastern Flockfield and another on two consecutive days in northern Charleston
 - One more male was seen on the last day of the month, he is not named on MalaMala but is referred to our neighbours to the north as Quarantine (the son of the Tsebe rocks male). He was seen in Clarendon open area.
- **Females:**
 - **The Calabash female:** This female was seen once in September, in the immediate area surrounding Charleston north crossing.
 - There were seven sightings of unknown females during September, six were north of the Matshapiri River - between:
 - Marthly - 3 females seen
 - Maxim's lookout - one female was seen with the Treehouse male
 - Clarendon open area - one female was seen, with two cubs
 - Trollip's access - one female was seen on the southern parts of the property

NUMBER OF DIFFERENT LEOPARDS ENCOUNTERED (approximate)

SEPTEMBER	30
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CHEETAH

Six - the number of individual cheetah seen during September, all male, over 12 sightings. This first sighting stood out the most, with a single individual close to Matumi Rocks in Marthly which was a first for many of us. Additionally, two males were seen together in eastern Flockfield on three occasions over the middle of the month during one of which they were seen feeding off of a zebra foal. Another single male was seen in the north eastern parts of Flockfield too.

Our brother pair were seen around the north eastern parts of Eyrefield too, on six days of the month. Both of them are looking well as they approach ten years of age.

NUMBER OF DIFFERENT CHEETAH ENCOUNTERED

SEPTEMBER	6
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CAPE HUNTING DOGS

We were fortunate enough to see 25 different cape hunting dogs, representing two different packs, on ten days of September - between the most northern and southern parts of the property. Any sighting with these animals is an exciting one, but on four of the days, we witnessed them capturing and killing their prey - one of which included seeing two different kills.

NUMBER OF DIFFERENT CAPE HUNTING DOGS ENCOUNTERED (approximate)

SEPTEMBER	25
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CAPE BUFFALO AND ELEPHANTS

As the months go on, and the drought continues - we are noticing a serious decrease in the number of cape buffalo sightings, and animals themselves. There were two noteworthy days during the month, when a herd of ±300 was seen and another when ±1500 were encountered. Other than this, the herds which are being seen are generally fairly small, and fragmented. We had 58 sightings of cap buffalo during September, made up of 3 large herds, 16 small-medium herds and 85 individuals.

Elephant sightings are still excellent, as these animals are seemingly much more resistant to the harsher conditions (and less susceptible to predation) - as a result we had 111 encounters with elephants over the 30 days of September. 10 were with large herds, 81 of smaller herds and 30 individuals.

OTHER INTERESTING SIGHTINGS

Another jam packed month with rare, and interesting sightings: some of the highlights include - honey badgers, numerous sable sightings, servals, an African wild cat and another pangolin.

TOTAL SIGHTINGS: SEPTEMBER 2016	
LION	59
LEOPARD	99
ELEPHANT	111
BUFFALO	58
CHEETAH	12
CAPE HUNTING DOG	10

BIG 5 ANALYSIS: SEPTEMBER 2016

DATE	LION		LEOPARD		ELEPHANT				BUFFALO			
	ANIMALS	SIGHTINGS	ANIMALS	SIGHTINGS	ANIMALS			SIGHTINGS	ANIMALS			SIGHTINGS
					LH	H	INDIV.		LH	H	INDIV.	
1	15	2	4	2	1	3	2	5			4	2
2	8	2	9	4	1	5	1	6		1	1	2
3	7	1	9	6		3		3			2	1
4	11	2	7	4		3	2	4			5	3
5	17	2	6	5	1	3	2	5			6	3
6	24	3	3	3	1	2	5	5		1	1	2
7	2	1	6	4	2	1		3		1	4	3
8	9	1	5	4		2	2	4		1	1	2
9	19	2	4	3	2	4	1	7		2	5	3
10	11	2	4	2	1	1		2		1	5	2
11	14	3	5	5	1	2	1	4			3	1
12	12	3	7	5		7	3	9		2	2	3
13	15	3	2	2		5	2	6		1	2	2
14	14	2	3	3		5		5		2		2
15	22	5	1	1		2		2		1	2	2
16	20	3	3	3		5	2	6		1	3	2
17	9	1	2	1		4	2	6		1	1	2
18	2	1	1	1		1		1	1			1
19			6	3		1		1	1			1
20	19	3	6	4		5		5			8	2
21	7	2	2	2		4		4			6	3
22	19	3	7	5			1	1	1			1
23	15	2	3	2		3	1	4			3	3
24	15	2	5	3		1		1		1		1
25	9	2	7	4		3	1	4			6	2
26	7	1	4	2		3		3			2	2
27	7	1	1	1			1	1			1	1
28	7	1	5	3		2		2			4	1
29	15	2	8	5		1		1			7	2
30	2	1	9	7			1	1			1	1
TOTAL	353	59	144	99	10	81	30	111	3	16	85	58

Note: the large buffalo herd on the 18th of the month was made up of ±1500 animals

KILL STATISTICS: SEPTEMBER 2016						
	LION	LEOPARD	CAPE HUNTING DOG	CHEETAH	OTHER	TOTAL
DUIKER						0
STEENBOK		2				2
KLIPSPRINGER						0
WARTHOG						0
BUSHBUCK	1	1	3			5
IMPALA		7	1			8
NYALA						0
WATERBUCK						0
WILDEBEEST						0
KUDU						0
ZEBRA				1		1
BUFFALO	15	*1				15
GIRAFFE						0
OTHER		*2				0
TOTAL	16	10	4	1	0	31

**Note:*

- *Members of the Marthly pride were seen feeding on a hippo, in the first week of the month which had died from natural causes*
- *The Tamboti female captured and killed an African harrier hawk*
- *The Emsagweni female was seen feeding off the remains of a naturally deceased buffalo*