



Chyulu Team

De-Snaring Report for January, 2011

Participants

Nterito	Kapina
Julius	Kyalo
Daniel	Lelekoiten
Samuel	Lolchuraki
James	Mbuthia
Joshua	Muthoke
John	Wahome
Peter	Wambua
David	Wambua

Areas Patrolled

Kalebe Raha
Kari
Kaunguni
Kenze
Kenzili
Kiboko
Kibwezi Forest
Kima Kiu
Kimuini
Kisula
Kithasyo
Mukurulo
Usalama
Utu
Wayani

Arrests

8 Arrest(s) this month

Illegal Activities



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Illegal Activity	No. Incidents	Location	Percentage	Scale	Arrests
Poaching , Snaring - Small Game	1	Kima Kiu	12.50%	Commercial	No
Poaching , Snaring - Small Game	1	Kiboko	12.50%	Commercial	No
Poaching , Snaring - Medium/Large Game	1	Kiboko	100.00%	Commercial	No
Poaching , Snaring - Medium Game	2	Kima Kiu	50.00%	Commercial	No
Poaching , Snaring - Medium Game	1	Kiboko	25.00%	Commercial	No
Poaching , Snaring - Large Game	2	Kima Kiu	33.33%	Commercial	No
Footprints , Fresh Tracks	1	Wayani	8.33%		No
Footprints , Fresh Tracks	2	Mukurulo	16.67%		No
Footprints , Fresh Tracks	1	Metava	8.33%		No
Footprints , Fresh Tracks	1	Kenzili	8.33%		No
Footprints , Fresh Tracks	2	Kenze	16.67%		No
Footprints , Fresh Tracks	2	Kari	16.67%		No
Charcoal Burning , Charcoal Kiln	2	Kari	18.18%	Commercial	No

* 'Percentage' indicates the overall percentage occurrence (encountered by all de-snaring teams) of that particular illegal activity during the selected month.

Snares Collected



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Snare Type	Snare Size	Snare Description	No. Confiscated
Thin Wire	Small	Cluster	60
Medium Wire	Medium	Cluster	58
Cable	Large	Cluster	59

Total Snares Collected:	177
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Community Work

Target Group	Target Group Name	Activity	Location
School	Isaani Primary School	Mobile Cinema	Mbuinzau
School	Kimboo Primary School	School Trip	Makindu
School	Mutantheu Primary School	School Trip	Kiundwani

Monthly Summary



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As the dry season continues there is a high influx of people coming into the Parks & Protected areas to carry out illegal activities. Snare numbers have increased in comparison to the last few months, particularly in KARI ranch. This month 2 poachers were arrested, one in possession of 53 snares and the other with a Bow and 4 arrows. Decreasing water reserves are making wild animals vulnerable to poaching as they congregate near the remaining water supply.

A point of concern will be protecting rhino dispersal areas in KARI ranch that is not managed by KWS. A joint security effort by KWS, SHELDRIK, MPT and KARI would be a possible solution to this threat.

Wood carving is a big business around the Chyulu Hills area and is a major threat to the last remaining indigenous forests. During the course of the month 4 wood carvers were arrested around Kisula and Kenzili areas, all had large amounts of wood carvings made out of illegally harvested wood from indigenous trees. It is believed these wood carvers have strong links with dealers working out of Nairobi. The carving workshops at Mbuinzau town are supplying the market in Nairobi need to be investigated to ensure the wood harvested is of a sustainable source. 2 charcoal burners were arrested on the upper part of KARI.

On the Community Project side, the first phase of the Kibwezi fence line has been completed. The community members are very happy with the Trusts work as this fence resolves their problems of human-wildlife conflict. Two schools benefited with excursions into Tsavo West National Park. The schools were Mutantheu and Kimboo primary schools. During the trips the children were taught the importance of wildlife and need to conserve it. The children had an opportunity to see wildlife in a natural setting. This was their first trip into the Park so the students were thrilled to have this opportunity.



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Kimboo Primary school pupils before their trip



Kimboo students visit Mzima Springs



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Mutantheu pupils at shetani lava



Video show at Isani Primary School



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Wood for Charcoal kilns



Arrested poacher



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A Team member lifting snares



Destroying charcoal kilns at Kimuini area



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Destroying illegal charcoal kilns in KARI area



The fence line along the Kibwezi Forest boundary



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An arrested wood carver



An arrested charcoal burner



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Arrested wood carvers



Arrested poacher



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The Team with the snares lifted during the month of January

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