

# THE DAVID SHELDRICK WILDLIFE TRUST

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DE-SNARING REPORT DECEMBER 2011

**ZIWANI TEAM** 



#### **De-Snaring Report for December, 2011**

#### **Participants**

Adan	Abdi
Nicodemus	Kivindyo
John	Mungai
Vincent	Mutua
Boru	Okicha

#### **Areas Patrolled**

Kaluku DSWT Field H Kishushe Ranch Lualenyi Ranch Lumo Community Wild Maktau Mbuyani Mkuki Ranch Murka Mwananchi Ranch Oza Ranch Salaita Hill Taita Hills Sanctuary Toloa Uma Uma

#### Arrests

11 Arrest(s) this month



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#### Illegal Activities - Number, Type and Description

#### **Illegal Activities**

Illegal Activity	No. Incidents	Location	Percentaç	ge Scale	Arrests
Poaching , Snaring - Small Game	2	Oza Ranch	7.69%	Commercial	No
Poaching , Snaring - Small Game	1	Maktau	3.85%	Commercial	Yes
Poaching , Snaring - Large Game	3	Taita hills	23.08%	Commercial	No
Poaching , Snaring - Large Game	1	Oza Ranch	7.69%	Subsistence	No
Poaching , Snaring - Large Game	1	Mukuki Ranch	7.69%	Commercial	No
Poaching , Snaring - Large Game	1	Mtakuja	7.69%	Commercial	No
Poaching , Snaring - Large Game	1	Lualenyi Ranch	7.69%	Commercial	No
Poaching , Poisoning	2	Mwasui Ranch	100.00%	Commercial	No
Poaching , Lamping	1	Taita hills	100.00%	Subsistence	No

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



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#### Wildlife Carcasses - Number, Species, Cause of Death

No. Carcasses	Species	Cause of Death	Means of Death	Carcass Age
2	Elephant	Poached	Poisoned	Fresh (less than 3 weeks)
1	Genet	Poached	Unknown	Fresh (less than 3 weeks)



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#### **Snares Collected**

Snare Type	Snare Size	Snare Description	No. Confiscated
Thin Wire	Small	Scattered	22
Cable	Large	Scattered	60
			0
	Total Snares Collected:		32



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#### **Monthly Summary**

This month has experienced some rains but slightly reduced than last month. As expected with the onset of the dry season, the snare tally has increased as well as the number of arrestees. This may have been partially attributed to the festive season and community members wanting to have cheap meat, and hence turning to poaching.

The Team sighted three carcasses one of genet cat and two of elephants. All were killed by the hand of man. The elephants were killed using poison arrows while the genet cat appears to have been killed by the poachers hunting dogs.

As this is the last report for the year of 2011 the Team would like to extend their gratitude to all those who support The David Sheldrick Wildlife Trust, because without this support the project would not be possible. The Team would also like to thank KWS (Kenya Wildlife Service) for all the hard work they have carried out in collaboration this year and for their dedication to the Anti-poaching patrols with the DSWT. We look forward to working together in 2012 and hope that we can continue to make such a valuable difference in protecting Kenya's wildlife & natural resources.



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A poached elephant at Mwasui ranch



Second poached elephant found at Mwasui Ranch



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Carcass of a Genet cat



Poachers arrested



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Bush meat recovered from the arrested poachers



Team member lifting snares

