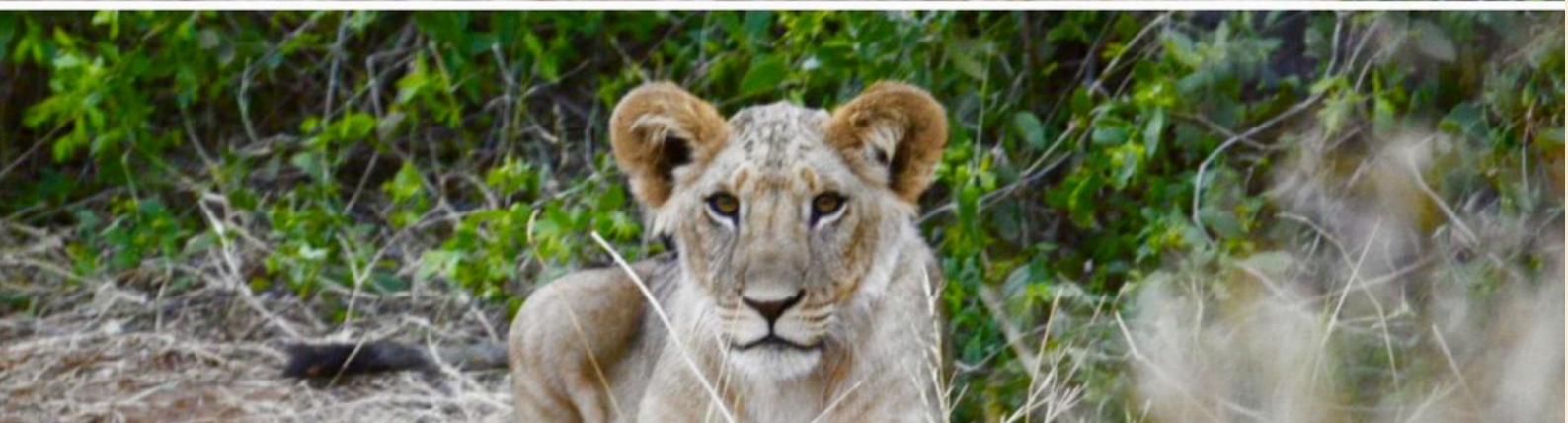




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In early October, we spotted Narasha (one of Naramat's offspring) with her 3 cubs, pictured above, looking healthy - Westgate Conservancy

PARTNERS REPORT

OCTOBER - DECEMBER 2024



Lesooito (pictured) and his brother, Lgejuk, turned one year old this year and were given their names.

LION NEWS

CLOSING OUT THE YEAR WITH MORE CUBS

Here are some of the lion team's key moments:

- **There were many reasons for optimism as the final quarter of the year closed out a year that spoke well of the future for the area's lions.**
- Between October and December 3 more cubs were born. That took 2024's **total number of cubs born to 10.**
- Two of the cubs born to the Koitogor Pride also reached their yearling anniversary this year. As this is a significant milestone for lions, this is when **we gave names to Lesooito and Lgejuk.**
- Our team sighted lions on **20 separate occasions** in the final quarter of 2024. That took **lion sightings up to 90** which, at points of this year, with the grass so long, was no small feat.
- We supported the community **as they filed and submitted 7 carnivore compensation claims with KWS.**
- Our team started a regional **lion survey** this quarter which will be completed in early 2025.

KURA'S PRIDE

PROMOTING WELFARE OF
DOMESTIC ANIMALS AND
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Our Community Animal Health Initiative

In the last quarter of the year, the work we conducted with partners in our **Community Animal Health Initiative** has been incredibly impactful. Our highlights for October - December include:

- **Attended to a total of 77 animals**
- With so many animals already vaccinated earlier in the year (1,460 in 2024 with the bulk of those vaccinated in Q3), our veterinarian team was able to focus on treating more immediate illnesses and injuries. We **treated 41 animals** for various illnesses and injuries.
- **Attended to 9 animal emergencies** where domestic animals had been attacked by wild carnivores.

We thank our partners, Samburu County Department of Veterinary Services, Vet in Wild, Animal Care Centre, Foundation for International Aid to Animals and Action for Cheetahs.



A cat awaiting treatment



A dog awaiting vaccination



The Community Animal Health Initiative slows the spread of diseases between wildlife and domestic animals



COMMUNITY-LED CONSERVATION WORKSHOP

YEARS OF HARD WORK CULMINATED IN
A PIONEERING COMING TOGETHER OF
CONSERVATIONISTS



On the 18th of November, we **welcomed 18 conservationists representing 11 different organisations from 8 different countries to Westgate Conservancy in Samburu.**

We gathered in order to share in the lessons and experiences each of us have gained in creating community-led conservation initiatives from our own corners of the globe.

We were incredibly proud to showcase the successes we've seen here in northern Kenya. From the comments made to us, it was obvious that this landscape represents a unique, successful and really impactful example of community-led conservation.



We hosted the various teams for 5 days and the information relayed during this time is being compiled to create the basis of a framework we hope will be used as a **blueprint for implementing successful community-led conservation initiatives anywhere in the world.**

A huge thank you to everyone who came, supported, and contributed to this amazing workshop! A special thanks to Westgate Conservancy and Samburu National Reserve.



The conversations we had on community-led conservation may inform organisations the world over!

OTHER NEWS

With much of this quarter dominated by planning for and executing the community-led conservation workshop, the team had their hands full. That didn't stop us working on other conservation initiatives.

Two of the more exciting and influential outreach events we embarked on in the final quarter of this year were **Samburu's Maa Cultural Festival** and the Kenya Wildlife Service led **14th Annual Carnivore Conference**. At the former, our team hosted a stall and spoke to festival attendees about the place wildlife conservation has in Maa culture. At the latter, Munteli and Toby stepped up to the podium to deliver their takeaways from their work in lion conservation.

Another one of the exciting moments we had as we closed out the year came as the videos we'd commissioned in order to showcase and visualise the work our different programmes do, were completed. If you were to head over to our website now, you'll be able to watch videos giving detailed explanation to the Lion Kids Camp, Mama Simba and Warrior Watch programmes we've created.

We also completed **Leadership and Management (LAMP) training for 30 community members from 4 Conservancies** in the areas we work in over the last quarter of the year.



The Ewaso Lions stall at the Maa Cultural Festival provided a platform for discussion on the role conservation plays in the culture



Munteli gave a stirring speech at the KWS Carnivore Conference

Special Appreciation:

Thank you so much to all our partners who enable us to make a conservation impact in Kenya including; Kenya Wildlife Service; WRTI; Samburu and Isiolo County Governments; Samburu, Buffalo Springs and Shaba National Reserves Management; all the Community Conservancies we work in.

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