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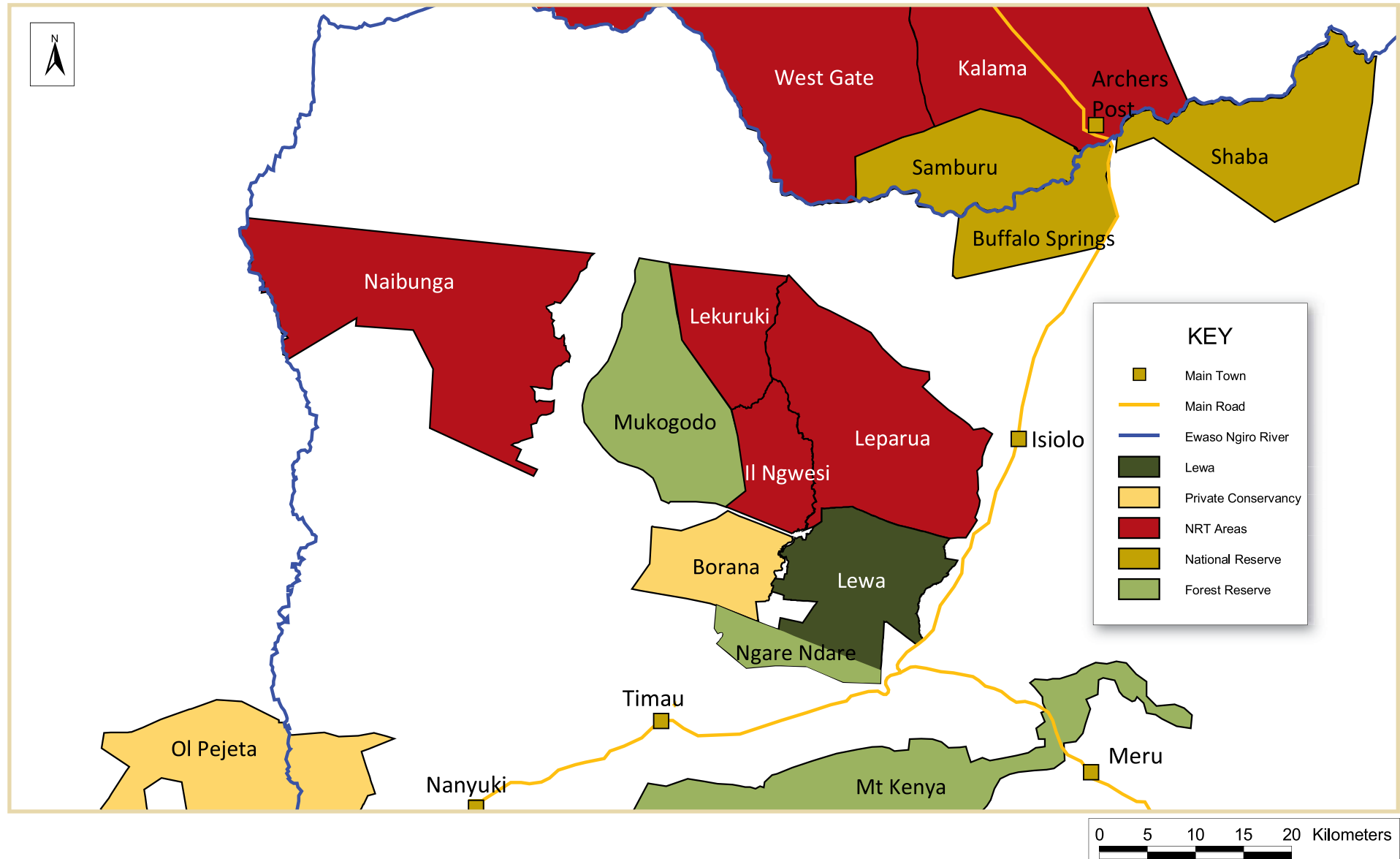
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MAP OF LEWA AND ITS NEIGHBOURING CONSERVATION AREAS

With Mount Kenya National Park as a World Heritage Site to the south and the national reserves of Samburu, Shaba and Buffalo Springs to the north, linked by well established community conservancies in the centre, Lewa's pivotal role as a catalyst for conservation in this dynamic region could not be more vital in the forthcoming years.



From the Honourable Francis Ole Kaparo, our Chairman



2011 was an exciting year capped by wonderful rains in November and December across the greater Lewa area and the culmination of the *Lewa Milele* campaign.

In this ground breaking transaction which looks to protect its critical conservation investment, the Lewa Wildlife Conservancy, has purchased its core landholding of 32,000 acres. Lewa is now owned, managed and governed as a wholly Kenyan entity, securing it in perpetuity.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all partners who have facilitated and supported this visionary initiative, with special mention to Lewa USA, The Nature Conservancy (TNC) and the numerous local and international supporters who have committed time, expertise and funds to realise this opportunity.

Lewa will continue to operate in partnership with the Kenyan Government, Kenya Wildlife Service, Kenya Forest Service, Northern Rangelands Trust, adjoining landowners and other key partners to sustain and enhance its mission to work as a 'catalyst for conservation'.

With the multiplicity of challenges and attendant opportunities posed for conservation looking forward, namely new wildlife and land laws, devolution of power to local county Government and the persistent pressure of demand for rhino horn and elephant ivory; Lewa clearly has its work cut out in the coming years. Remaining outward looking and fostering a partnership approach will be key to ensuring that the Conservancy stays ahead of the game and secures its position as a relevant conservation, development focused entity at local, regional and national levels.

Finally I would like to thank our staff, our supports, and my fellow Directors for their invaluable commitment and congratulate all on the achievements of 2011, urging more of the same in 2012.

From Mike W. Watson, our Chief Executive Officer



In the years I have been connected with Lewa Wildlife Conservancy since first arrival in 1996, I never cease to be amazed and not a little humbled by the huge, enduring commitment with which Lewa's supporters engage in perpetuating conservation success in northern Kenya. A year into my tenure as Lewa's Chief Executive Officer this sense has been only reinforced as contacts have been renewed, relationships re-established and Lewa's vision confirmed amongst all those I have met over the last twelve months.

It is with this invaluable support in mind that I review the successes of 2011. Lewa continues to serve as a huge contributor and development catalyst in the local community with education, healthcare, enterprise and water infrastructure development programmes providing massive value to communities living contiguous with our boundaries.

The huge demand for ivory across the continent has been well documented in 2011 and as the increase in pressure on elephant has been felt in those community conservancies within Lewa's 'sphere of influence', so Lewa, in partnership with Kenya Wildlife Service and the Northern Rangelands Trust, has increased its support to these communities. A number of successful operations leading to arrests and subsequent prosecutions have acted as a deterrent in areas immediately to Lewa's north.

With the close of 2011 bringing the completion of *Lewa Milele*, a very real likelihood of the inclusion of the Conservancy as a part of the Mount Kenya World Heritage Site and a broader, landscape level conservation vision underpinning all we do, I am confident Lewa will continue as an engine for dynamic, development centric conservation in north Kenya.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your support during 2011 and say that we hope to see many of you here on Lewa in 2012.



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Lewa Milele: Preserving Kenya's Wildlife and Culture Forever

by Deborah Gage

To protect its critical conservation investment, the Board of the Lewa Wildlife Conservancy are proud to announce the completion of the purchase of its core landholding of 32,000 acres in December 2011. This will provide for the permanent protection of Lewa for the benefit of wildlife and flora, community conservation in northern Kenya.

Lewa Milele (Swahili for “*Lewa Forever*”) was a creative partnership between Lewa and The Nature Conservancy that strived to secure the long-term future of Kenya’s most successful private-sector wildlife conservancy. Until Milele was concluded, Lewa’s long-term survival was far from certain. While the land remained in private hands, it was impossible to raise a sufficiently large endowment to provide for financial stability through uncertain times, this is fundamental in terms of Lewa’s mission to protect endangered species, notably the rhino, which will always remain one of its most expensive commitments. Furthermore, while Lewa had been granted a right to manage the land for conservation until 2029, after that as the land was hitherto in private ownership there was the potential for subdivision and incompatible development. Moreover, as Lewa’s temporary right to manage its land drew closer to expiration, it would have been more difficult to secure government, philanthropic

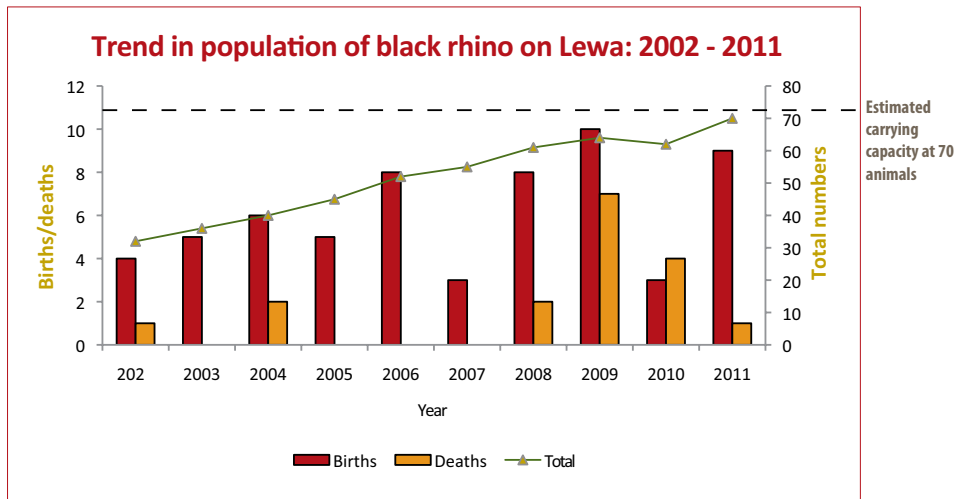
and community support. Thus placing previously privately owned land in trust is a visionary step forward to protect and create tangible benefits for the people of Kenya and its illustrious heritage of flora and fauna.

Wildlife is not the only beneficiary of Lewa’s efforts in Northern Kenya. In a region where economic opportunities have otherwise been scarce, community conservation is opening multiple avenues toward a future of sustainable prosperity. For more than three decades, Lewa has brought security, stability and opportunity to the indigenous people of the region, affecting millions of acres outside the conservancy’s borders. Security and employment, sustainable livestock management, micro-enterprises, water conservation, classrooms, clinics is what Lewa has come to represent for neighbouring communities and has served as a catalyst to enhance their well-being through conservation. As Africa’s ever-expanding human population comes into conflict with wildlife, Lewa has been at the forefront of helping its neighbours, initiating and promoting a community-driven conservation program, which positions wildlife as an asset and not a liability.

Lewa Milele is a true success for Lewa creating an innovative model for conservation, across Kenya and beyond. I want to thank everyone who made this project possible.

Rhinos, rhinos everywhere

2011 was a very successful year for Lewa's rhinos in sharp contrast with 2009 and 2010, when Lewa experienced previously unparalleled losses from poaching and natural death. Nine black rhino calves and six white rhino calves were born, increasing the populations to 70 black and 58 white rhino respectively. Lewa's population of rhino is significant in the metapopulation management as it represents approximately 11% and 14% of Kenya's black and white rhino respectively.



Looking for room for rhinos

Possibly a good problem to have, but the population of black rhino in Lewa has reached the ecological carrying capacity. Density dependent declines are expected to take effect and this will slow the positive annual growth rates witnessed since 2002. To alleviate the problem, Lewa and the contiguous Borana Conservancy are at advanced planning stages for the two to merge and remove the dividing fence to allow for up to 120 black rhino to roam the wider conservation area. Borana Conservancy's plan for the reintroduction of black rhino is recognised in Kenya's Black Rhino Strategic Plan, 2012-2016.

Wildlife and Security go their own way

In 2011, Lewa's Wildlife and Security Departments were split into two separate entities. Although the two departments are closely linked and work together, the separation allowed the Security Department to become more focused in offering round the clock security to Lewa's biodiversity in a time when poaching levels of rhino and elephant in Kenya has hit an all time high. On the other hand, the Wildlife Department, comprising of Research and Monitoring, Veterinary and Capture focuses on responding to wildlife incidences and providing information to guide management decisions in the Conservancy. In addition, the Conservation Education Programme focuses on raising conservation and environmental awareness with local school children.

A busy highway for elephants

The elephant corridor linking Lewa to Mount Kenya was inaugurated in 2010, and since the first elephant went through the underpass on January 1st, 2011, our team has recorded many more sightings of elephants (and other wildlife) making use of this innovative "highway".



To assist Lewa and its neighbouring conservation entities to better understand elephant movements between the Mt Kenya, Lewa and Samburu ecosystems, Save The Elephants have provided the technical expertise to collar 20 elephants in the three ecosystems. Equipped with GSM collars, the animals are being tracked on a daily basis using Google Earth interface. In addition, Lewa has installed infrared cameras on the corridor underpass to monitor movement of other un-collared elephants. It is estimated that close to 300 elephants have used the underpass in 2011 reinforcing the importance of the corridor.

Livestock Grazing Programme benefits communities



Operational since 2008, Lewa's Livestock Grazing Programme has two main objectives: 1) to improve the quality of pasture by eliminating unproductive grass for the benefit of wildlife and 2) to extend socio-economic benefits to areas adjacent to Lewa to contribute towards their livelihoods. Livestock for the programme are sourced from the neighbouring communities who support biodiversity and environmental conservation in the region.

During the year, over 1,200 head of community cattle were grazed on Lewa. Significant positive biological impacts were seen in proximity to the cattle boma sites and within a 100 metres radius, where resource rich hotspots were created that attracted wildlife. Studies also revealed that community cattle grazing on Lewa had better chances of survival and were sold at higher prices, contributing positively to the livelihoods of neighbouring communities. Our team is currently reviewing the programme to ensure that it achieves increased biological and socio-economic benefits in future.

Investing in our best resources – Training for Lewa staff

In 2010 and 2011, Marwell Wildlife partnered with Lewa's Research Department and funded training of two members of the team.



Mary Mwololo – Head of Research and Monitoring at Lewa - underwent an Msc course in Conservation Biology from the University of Nairobi. Mary said that she not only acquired new important skills, but also learnt the art of humility and the wisdom of being flexible in order to accommodate the ever-changing conditions of her work.



Edwin Kisio – Research Officer at Lewa - took an Advanced Certificate Course in Wildlife Management from the Southern Africa Wildlife College. Edwin undertook classes, field courses, specialist skills workshops and applied research studies. Edwin believes that he benefited not only from the training, but also from meeting an international network of like-minded people with whom he can now share news or seek advice.

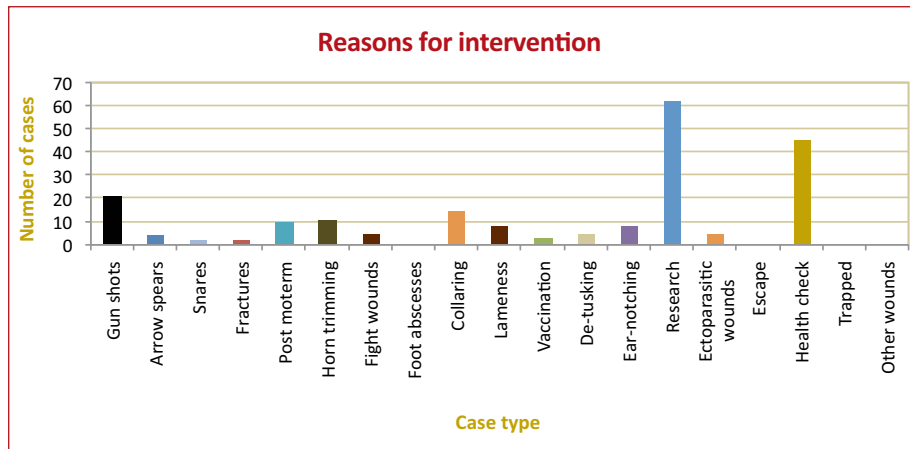
Resubmission of the World Heritage Site application

In January 2010, Lewa consulted the Kenya Wildlife Service, National Museums of Kenya and Kenya National Commission for UNESCO to facilitate submission of a proposal to the World Heritage Committee seeking to extend the boundaries of Mount Kenya World Heritage Site to include Lewa. In 2011, this proposal was prepared for resubmission in January 2012 after it was returned for technical reasons.

World Heritage Sites are either cultural or natural in nature. They are described as exceptional places of 'outstanding universal value'. UNESCO seeks to protect and preserve such sites through an international treaty called the World Heritage Convention adopted in 1972. Governments of countries which have ratified the Convention identify and nominate such sites to the World Heritage Committee for inscription. In Kenya, there are six heritage sites namely; Lake Turkana National Park, Mt Kenya National Park / Natural Forest, Lamu Old Town, MijiKenda Kaya Forests, Fort Jesus and the Kenya Lake System in the Great Rift Valley.

A very active year for the Mobile Veterinary Unit

Dr Matthew Mutinda, in charge of the Kenya Wildlife Service Mountain Region Veterinary Unit, undertook a diverse range of cases across the region in 2011 as shown in the graph below. The Unit is based at Lewa, which provides personnel, equipment and logistical support. It covers the entire Laikipia-Samburu ecosystem, Eastern Conservation Area and northern Kenya landscapes. The goal of the Unit is to provide timely and effective wildlife veterinary intervention in a region that hosts 46% of Kenya's population of the endangered black rhino, 87% of the global population of the endangered Grevy's zebra, over 9,500 elephants and several other critically endangered and commonly occurring species.



The high levels of poaching of both rhino and elephant that have been witnessed across the country since 2009 have continued to pose significant threats to these species in 2011 and have been cause for a number if veterinary interventions throughout the year.

One of the interesting cases included treatment of unique filarioid-like lesions in black and white rhino in Meru Park. Examinations confirmed the infection was occurring with a vector-transmitted filarial parasite. Affected rhino were captured and treated successfully, highlighting the importance of the Unit and its ability to deploy rapidly.



School children are taken on a game drive aimed at expanding their knowledge of wildlife

Conservation Education

In 2011, 53 groups comprising of 1,313 students and 379 adults from the region visited Lewa's Conservation Education Programme (CEP) to learn about our conservation programmes. To ensure the experience of visiting groups is exciting and interactive, exhibits were developed at the Conservation Education Centre. The key themes in the exhibits are threats to and methods for conservation of biodiversity and habitats.

Collaboration

In the last year, the CEP has partnered with Marwell Wildlife, Denver Zoo, Upper Canada College and Ntugi Group to develop educational programmes that help communicate the importance of the environment to students. Earth Rangers of Toronto, Canada also offered a free license to use some of their interactive computer games as well as supporting a platform for children to share information through the web.





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Security training, information network and security database

During 2011, security measures on Lewa were greatly enhanced, in direct response to the increased threat to the Conservancy’s rhinos. As part of these new measures, the Lewa Security team has undergone intensive training to upgrade their skills which includes operating tactics, advanced weapon handling, fitness training, first-aid training and map reading. Lewa’s 30 Kenya Police Reservists (KPR) / armed rangers were the focus of this training and have benefited enormously from it.

In addition, Lewa has also developed an ‘Information office’ and an extensive information network. This network collects information from various sources, feeding it to Lewa where it is filtered accordingly and input into a secure, computerised database. The database assists Lewa and NRT management in various ways:

- Timely access to information which facilitates decision-making
- Analysis of priority areas for security team deployments
- Development of credible reports
- Creation of briefing maps

In the last few months, the Lewa team has successfully made a number of arrests of suspects linked to rhino poaching, demonstrating that these new security measures are working.

A new pilot for Lewa

There will soon be a new pilot on Lewa able to fly the Conservancy’s Super Cub and provide critical aerial surveillance for Lewa’s security and wildlife operations. This pilot is none other than Lewa’s Chief Security Officer, John Pameri.



Realizing a childhood dream, John Pameri took his first solo flight on February 7th, 2012. He took off from Oriibi Airport in Pietermaritzburg, South Africa, where he has been training as a pilot (*Private Pilots License*). Since November of last year, John has gone through an intense and rigorous training schedule under the instruction of Brett Dugdale of PMB Flight Training Centre. When his training is officially over, John will come back to Lewa and use his new flying skills to help protect the wildlife within and around Lewa.



Women's development

Today, a majority of the rural population in Kenya remain completely reliant upon wood for energy. Rising demand for fuelwood and charcoal is causing a halo of deforestation around many cities, towns, and roads. So, this year Lewa decided to put emphasis on reducing the use of fuel wood through promotion of energy saving stoves. Over 550 members of Lewa's Women Micro-Credit Programme received energy saving stoves and were trained in their use.

Water development



In 2011 water development took center stage within Lewa and its partner communities. With Kenya rated as water scarce country and climate change affecting weather patterns and rainfall, the need to assist our neighbours with access to water resources has become of paramount importance. With this in mind, Lewa supported two water projects: Subuiga and Kadesh; post completion of the two projects, which deliver water using a gravity feed system, over 8,000 people now have access to clean water. The two projects were inaugurated by respective Members of Parliament.

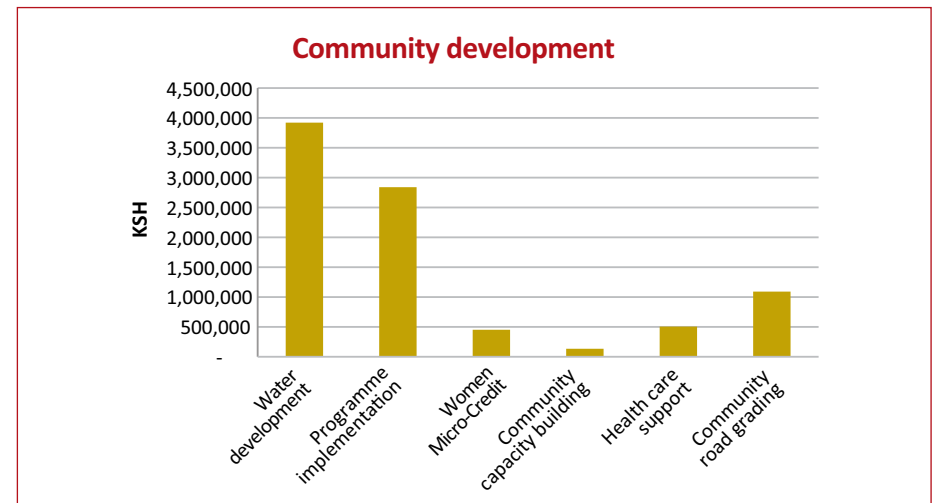
Mitigating human-wildlife conflict

The wildlife corridor linking the Ngare Ndare Forest and Mount Kenya has been perceived by local inhabitants as putting the Ntirimiti community, living adjacent to the forest, in direct conflict with wildlife. The existing, old style fence was not deemed adequate to stop wildlife, in particular elephant, from crossing onto agricultural land and destroying crops. So in 2011, Lewa and corridor partners mobilized the community and implemented an upgrade of the fence with a more effective, well proven design. The project, once complete will go a long way towards reducing human-elephant conflict and set the stage for the development of a constructive, conservation focused partnership between all stakeholders.



Worthwhile investments

Last year, the Lewa Community Development Programme invested close to 9 million Kenya Shillings (100,000 US Dollars) into its projects. From water development to capacity building and upgrade of community roads to micro-finance investment, Lewa continues to make a tremendous difference in the lives of people living contiguous with its boundaries.



More schools, more bursaries, more happy children

Since its inception in 2003, the Lewa Education Programme (LEP) has grown leaps and bounds. Last year was no exception and our programme supported an increased number of children and schools. The LEP is now sponsoring 15 schools; all public or community-owned. A particular highlight for this year was the opening of the Ngare Ndare Day Secondary School, which now provides secondary education to children from the Lewa southwestern boundary. 51 children are currently enrolled all of whom would not have been able to access secondary education without this facility.

LEP facilitated bursaries for 234 children from primary school to university. The table below gives the breakdown and shows an increase over the last three years:

Student enrolment			
Institutions	2009	2010	2011
University	13	12	17
Tertiary college	35	30	30
High school	97	99	116
Primary boarding school	66	74	71
Total	211	215	234

Feeding programme

In the poorest parts of the world, a school meal programme can double enrolment in one year. Given the escalating food prices in Kenya, more parents are struggling to feed their children at home which has led to a huge dependency on our feeding programme. Recognizing that sustaining this programme would become increasingly difficult, LEP decided to start farming initiatives in schools. The initiative empowers the schools to start their own gardens (or shambas) where they plant vegetables, maize and beans. Schools that have enough water and land, like Kanyunga Primary School have already started farming, while schools like Munanda who have the land but no water are being funded to drill a borehole and to purchase a water pump.



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Infrastructure development supported by Lewa

School	Project
Enaikishomi School	Teachers' houses, classroom, kitchen & dining hall, toilet & bathroom
Kanyunga Primary School	40 desks, toilets
Ngare Ndare Day Secondary School	45 stools, 40 lockers, 4 lab tables, 100 chairs, roof paint
Karimba	Solar cubicle wiring
Lebarua	22 desks
Lewa Primary School	Sinks, 45 desks
Munanda Primary School	40 desks, one classroom
Mutunyi Primary School	80 desks, 100 lockers, 18 tables, 5 cupboards, 5 tables, electricity installation
Ntugi Primary School	Two toilet blocks, 40 chairs, basketball pitch
Rugusu Primary School	40 desks, 2 classrooms, 1 toilet block
Sang'a	Teachers' houses, 5 chairs, 24 ECD chairs, 4 ECD tables, renovation of 4 classrooms
Subuiga	Fence, furniture, administration block



And then there was light ...

Since its inception a few decades ago, Lewa has used diesel generators to power its offices and staff houses. While it was the only option, Lewa management recognised that using generators was not good for carbon footprint, noise levels and pollution.

Using mains power has always been an aspiration, but never possible because of the lack of funds. So when the local Member of Parliament, Mr. Silas Muriuki, connected the Lewa Clinic and Manyangalo community to mains power under a rural electrification programme, Lewa grabbed the chance to tap into overhead lines and laid a 1.2 km long cable underground to the headquarters. Using a generous loan from The Nature Conservancy of 125,000 US dollars, Lewa purchased the underground cable and a 315 KVA transformer needed to channel electricity to its buildings. In addition, distribution boards were purchased and individual meters were set up in each house and office. At the same time, the Junior staff camp near the Lewa Clinic was wired to give all our employees access to electricity.

The return on investment is enormous as the mains power is saving Lewa approximately 5,000 US dollars per month and making Lewa a “greener” organisation.

A new look for Matunda gate

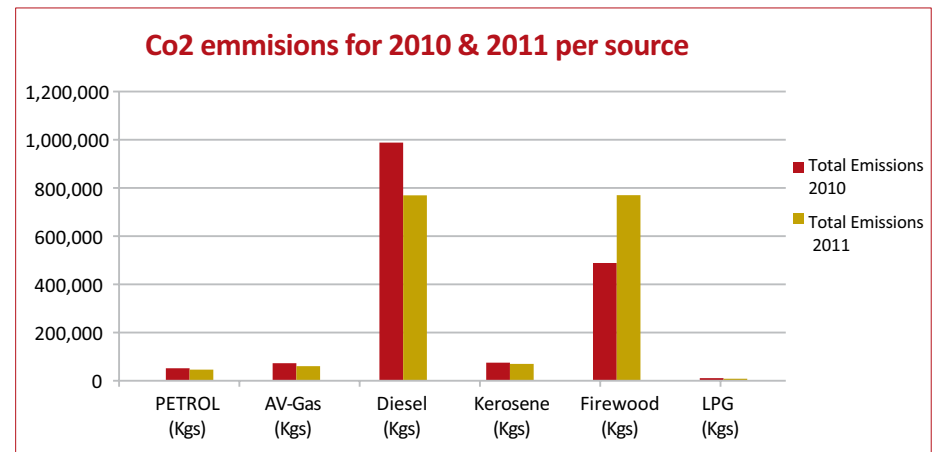
In 2011, Lewa Kenya Board Chairman, the Honorable Francis Ole Kaparo, officially opened the newly constructed entrance to Lewa. Jennifer Bahmeier, representing Denver Zoo, was present and was thanked by the Chairman for the Zoo’s funding of this project. The new Matunda Gate was constructed to create more room for the Conservation Education Centre and the old gate has since been demolished, with NRT Trading also building their headquarters at the new location.



Matunda is the Swahili word for ‘fruits’ and it is said that the gate got its name from a fruit shop that was based there several years ago.

Carbon footprint

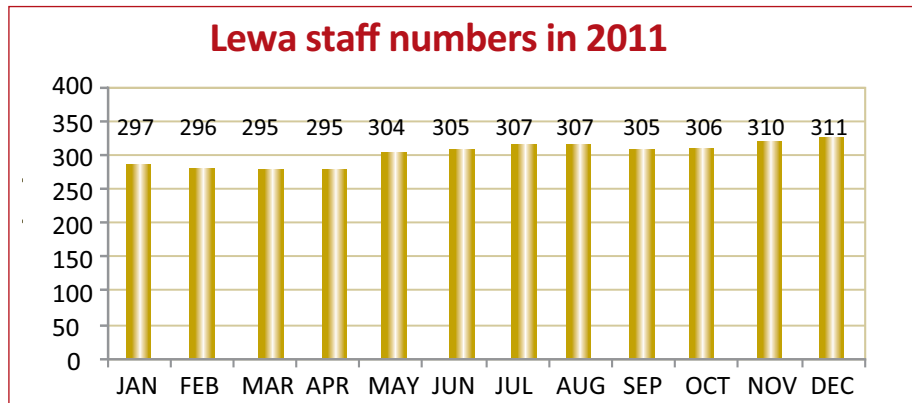
Conscious that each of us contributes to the greenhouse gas emissions that are causing climate change, Lewa has been recording its carbon footprint emissions since 2009. The graph below shows an increase in emissions in the last two years, mainly due to the additional vehicles purchased for Lewa Safari Camp and Northern Rangelands Trust. The total emission is expected to come down in 2012, due to the reduction of generator hours and installation of mains power on the Conservancy.



Investing in people

Research has shown that people as a resource within an organisation contribute to approximately 80 percent of the organisation's value. The Human Resource Department's main objective is to bring out the best in this key asset providing an enabling environment for all employees to contribute to Lewa's success.

The number of staff employed by the Conservancy remained fairly stable in 2011, with an increase from 297 in January to 311 by December 2011. This slight increase was a result of the recruitment of rhino monitoring rangers brought in to strengthen security within Lewa. Over 80% of people employed by the Conservancy come from the communities living directly adjacent to its boundaries.



Recruitment

The Lewa HR Department is responsible for ensuring that the organisation has a sufficient pool of trained staff to meet its operational needs. Its policies are geared towards raising professional standards, developing the particular diversity of skills required for supporting an institution engaged in conservation of wildlife and sustainable community development. It remains policy to employ from the communities surrounding Lewa, however if the skills required are not available in these communities, then they are sourced nationally. Of the 311 employees contracted as at end of 2011, 310 were Kenyan citizens.

Lewa Healthcare Programme

Health education

Health education is one of the core functions of the Lewa Clinic staff. In 2011 the nurses worked with Lewa staff and members of the neighbouring communities contributing significantly to preventing illnesses. The nurses led a deworming exercise enrolling Lewa staff on a volunteer basis with a total of 7,746 students benefitting.

The Lewa clinic nurses and staff also visited the Manyagalo community on a jigger campaign. Many people in Manyagalo are infested by jiggers with some hardly able to walk. The team briefed the Manyagalo residents on general cleanliness and then helped to clean and remove jiggers from those affected.



Reproductive health

Reproductive health is more than the absence of disease. It is also the ability to decide if and when to reproduce, having access to reproductive health care and family planning services, and being able to have safe sex. Many women visit the Lewa clinics seeking reproductive health services and this service is also offered during the mobile outreach clinics. Reproductive health services offered at the clinics include education on reproductive health and family planning services (implants, insertion of IUCDs, injectibles, pills and condoms). In 2011, the number of family planning cases attended to in the three Lewa clinics was 665.

A system for better managing Lewa's supporters

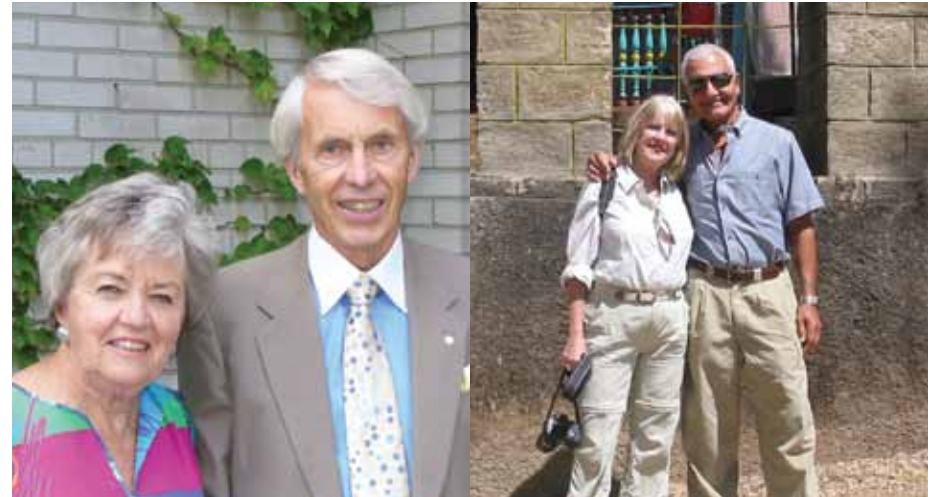
Until early 2011 Lewa had managed its donor database via the use of simple spreadsheets. This was becoming progressively more and more of a challenge as the global reach of the Conservancy was effected. The introduction of a tailored, web-based database had become imperative to ensure efficient management and interaction with our supporters. The designers of Salesforce were therefore approached and this team agreed to support introduction of their database at a significantly reduced cost. Salesforce is a Content Relation Management (CRM) tool, which is cloud based with no software or installation to maintain. Our team can access the system from any internet connected computer which means that we are now closely connected with the overseas Lewas. Our data is safe and automatically backed up. Here are some of the things we can do with Lewa's Salesforce application:

- Replace all our Excel spreadsheets and standalone databases
- Track donations and donors and group them into households
- Track our contacts, volunteers, allies, constituents and donors and run reports of their activities and contributions
- Create dashboards and reports to instantly obtain visualizations of our data

And they keep on running...

One of the world's most challenging races, the Safaricom Marathon continues to grow more popular each year, attracting more runners and supporters, translating into more funds being raised for wildlife and people alike.

Last year, 1,000 people ran the marathon within the Lewa Wildlife Conservancy with the race raising 47 million Kenya shillings, the equivalent of 500,000 US dollars. As in the previous years, the funds went directly to conservation projects, community development, education and health-care in northern Kenya. Not bad for an event which started in the year 2000 with only 180 runners.



Sandra and Jim Pitblado (left) and George Youssef and Susan Warren (right) are longstanding major donors of Lewa Canada

Special support from special people

Among the key reasons for Lewa Wildlife Conservancy's success is the support from all of our donors. This year the Conservancy would like to give a special thank you to several Canadians.

George Youssef is one of the founders of Lewa Canada, and was a Director until his move in January 2012 to head its Advisory Council. George and his wife Susan Warren have been major contributors to Lewa Canada's fundraising success in support of Lewa. They first visited Lewa in the early 1990's and have come back on several occasions since then. The Youssef-Warren Foundation has provided generous support for Lewa's conservation work as part of its mission to protect the environment, particularly wildlife.

Sandra and Jim Pitblado are longstanding major donors who first visited Lewa in the 1980's. They have returned several times since then, most recently in December, 2011. In addition, Jim is an Advisory Council member of Lewa Canada. During their last trip to Lewa, Jim and Sandra brought along their daughter and son-in-law as well as two of their grandchildren. Their trip inspired them to fund and support the purchase of a much needed, fully outfitted ambulance for the Conservancy's three clinics.

For the last 27 years, the Lewa Wildlife Conservancy has been a catalyst and model for conservation throughout East Africa. This continues to be possible today thanks to the commitment and generosity of our loyal supporters.

Donations to the Lewa Wildlife Conservancy may be designated to one, or allocated between all of the following areas:

Protecting Endangered Species

Lewa is internationally recognized as one of the most successful safe havens to some of the world's most critically endangered species - the black rhino and Grevy's zebra. In order for Lewa to continue providing safe and sustainable habitat to these species, it is extremely important that we carry on with our ongoing wildlife and veterinary operations, anti-poaching efforts, conservation education, research and wildlife monitoring activities. Support in this area goes towards purchasing drugs for wildlife treatment, rhino surveillance field teams, armed security team patrols, vehicle maintenance and habitat research amongst many others.

Supporting Community Initiatives

Lewa's community development programmes fund and support three healthcare

clinics, 15 schools in the surrounding communities, the newly introduced Conservation Education Centre, an adult literacy centre, women's micro-credit scheme, water development and much more. By directing the benefits of Lewa's success to supporting our neighbouring communities, we are successfully molding responsible individuals in the community, creating awareness and enthusiasm on the importance of wildlife conservation. With your contribution we can continue to eradicate poverty, provide essential quality healthcare, improve access to education and create reliable employment that will essentially provide better livelihoods for our neighbours.

Conservation Tourism

By paying us a visit at Lewa, you are making a difference in a holistic manner. Lewa provides one of the finest and exciting safari experiences in Africa. Re-investing 100% of its tourism benefits to community projects and its core operation programmes have made Lewa an excellent model where the value of wildlife is evident. If you are planning to or are already scheduled to visit us and would like to learn more about the Conservancy and its operations, kindly contact Ruwaydah Abdul-Rahman (ruwaydah.abdul@lewa.org) and we will arrange a behind-the-scenes tour for you to experience first-hand our amazing programmes in action.



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FINANCIAL REPORT

The Lewa Finance Department continues to guarantee that strict financial procedures and controls are adhered to and that timely and accurate reporting informs and directs the management decision-making process, while ensuring statutory compliance. In 2011, there was a 20% shortfall against budget in the core programme support income. However, a good tourism year resulted in increased income which meant that for the second year in a row, Lewa reported a surplus.

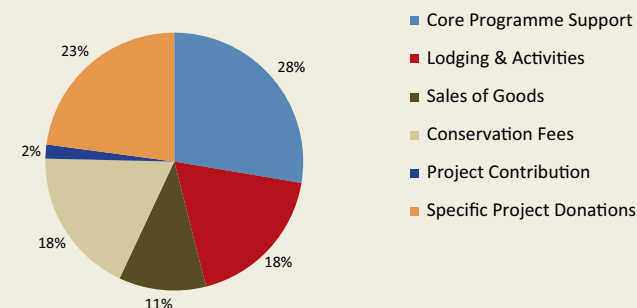
The Conservancy held adequate cash reserves to meet the balance of unspent restricted funding.

The un-audited financial statements for the year 2011 are set out here below with a comparison to an extract from the 2010 audited results:

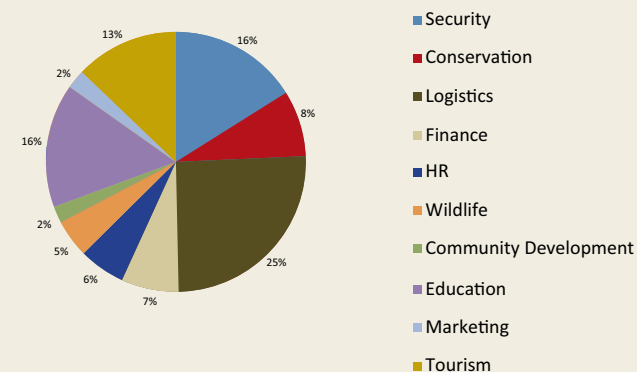
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION		
	2010	2011
	USD	USD
ASSETS		
NON-CURRENT ASSETS		
Property, plant and equipment	2,207,117	1,891,346
CURRENT ASSETS		
Inventories	179,133	189,000
Trade and other receivables	347,766	996,043
Bank and cash balances	1,125,342	1,333,026
Current Income Tax	72,145	66,659
	1,724,386	2,584,728
TOTAL ASSETS	3,931,503	4,476,074
CAPITAL AND LIABILITIES		
CAPITAL		
General fund	1,328,733	1,292,343
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Provision for staff gratuity	408,259	252,948
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Trade and other payables	1,436,978	1,264,200
Deferred income	746,099	1,666,582
Borrowings	11,434	-
	2,194,511	2,930,782
CAPITAL AND LIABILITIES	3,931,503	4,476,074

STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME		
	2010	2011
	USD	USD
Income		
Core programme support	2,519,713	1,370,532
Other Income (Inc. restricted income)	3,174,591	3,702,329
	5,694,304	5,072,861
Recurrent Expenditure (Inc. restricted expenditure)		
	(5,493,340)	(5,013,353)
Operating Surplus	200,964	59,508
Finance Costs	(1,359)	(6,856)
Surplus before Taxation	199,605	52,652
Taxation	-	-
Surplus for the year	199,605	52,652

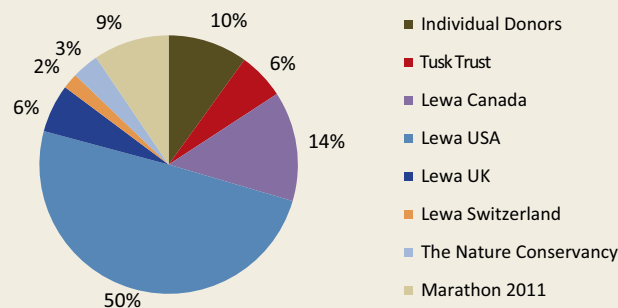
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