

Large Mammal Weekly Report
4/28/08 to 5/4/08

Large Mammal Barn

- Keke was darted two times today by Dr. Alvarado-She is not eating or drinking. 4/28
- Jenny was showing signs of unstable (legs buckling, sleepy) behavior today. 4/29
- Pest Management sprayed for ants in elephant exhibit. 4/29
- Staff attempted blood draw on Keke elephant-She would not cooperate. 4/29
- Keke was darted two times. She is eating and drinking some. Also, passed some feces. She is still not feeling well. 4/29
- Keke was darted two times. She was brought into ERD and restrained with ropes for treatment. A catheter was put in her left rear leg in order to give her fluids. An enema was given as well. She had a rash-like abrasion on her right shoulder, just under her ear. Staff started a 24hr. watch with Keke, including fluid treatment round the clock. 4/30
- Metal Man came to look at concrete pads in elephant exhibit. 4/30
- Jenny elephant elephant put on Acepromazine. She had a couple of episodes of unstable behavior (sleepy and her legs were buckling). 4/30
- Keke elephant was given an enema in ERD area. Rocks and a small blood clot was passed. 24hr. watch continues. ~~4/30~~ 5/1/08
- Keke was given another enema in ERD area. To give her time out of the chute area, a bracelet and drag chain was put on her right front foot. After this, she had access to her stall and entire ERD. She defecated at the end of the day. This feces was found to contain small traces of blood. 5/2
- Keke was moved back into the ERD and restrained with ropes. She was given an enema and blood was drawn and taken to hospital. 5/3
- Jenny elephant did not receive her acepromine. She refused all grain and meds. 5/4
- Keke received an enema. A small amount of blood and mucos passed. Today she had some heavy breathing and the end of her trunk was shaking. Her body temp. was low. Staff set up some small heaters around her and all fluids were warmed before administered. 5/4

Cat Row

- Staff attended Enrichment Committee Mtg. 4/29
- The plumbers emptied most of the water in the sand traps at CR. This was completed at a later date. 4/29
- Special event, with loud, music on Cat Green. 5/4

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5/5/08 to 5/11/08

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- Jenny elephant received acepromazine. She was sleeping a lot. She refused her grain ration. 5/5
- Keke received an enema and continued on IV fluids. Blood was drawn and taken to hospital. Tarps were put over ERD to protect her from the rain. 5/5
- Jenny received acepromazine. She was eating all diet well today. 5/6
- Keke received mineral oil/water enema. She blew a mucous-like object out of her trunk. She was shaking today and, at one time, went down into a sternal position in the ERD. Staff got her up, but she was still a little shaky. Her catheter had to be reattached. Keke was passing gas and small amounts of fecal material throughout the day. The edema that was just on her belly area has now moved to her lower abdomen and vulva area as well. 5/6
- Construction put another tarp over ERD area. 5/6
- Jenny received acepromazine. She broke one cable (at steel eyebolt attachment) with her forehead (interior cable, not perimeter). 5/7
- Keke received mineral oil/water enema. She was passing a lot of gas today. She looks less bloated. She passed feces with 1 ½ lbs of rocks. Keke took hose in mouth for drinks. Also, holding food in mouth. 5/7
- Jenny threw a fit during Keke's treatment. Ran through the pool. 5/8
- Keke received mineral oil/water enema. She was taken off restraints and allowed access to entire chute (opened) area. Her feces looked very dark and was filled with sand and small gravel. She was acting very uncomfortable and was heavy breathing throughout the day. She was unresponsive to keepers. Her edema has decreased in her front legs, but has increased in belly and vulva area. 5/8
- Jenny received acepromazine, bran and mineral oil mix and 2 scoops of mineral/iodized salt. Consumed 1st scoop of salts, then threw the 2nd scoop.
- Keke received mineral oil/water enema. She passed feces and rocks. Staff was able to get some fluids into her with hose and syringe. 5/9
- A net "harness" (for a crane in case she collapsed) was put on Keke with help from the WOA staff. IV fluids were reattached for fluids again overnight. 5/9
- Keke-Harness-Protective sleeves (seat belt covers) were put on some of the harness straps to prevent chafing on her ears. Blood was drawn and taken to the hospital. Keke received extra dextrose. Received a mineral oil/water enema. She was taking some water from hose. Also, drank about 1/3 gallon of Central Market juice mix (smoothie) from a syringe. She would not take anymore. 5/10
- Jenny broke another interior exhibit cable with her head today. Maintenance repaired it again. 5/11

Large Mammal Updates

5/15/08

- Gordon will be measuring for shade tarps in the elephant yard Friday at around 8am. We will be getting a new tarp for the mud side of the yard and over the pool. All existing tarps will be replaced as well. The new cloth (weave) will have 95% sun coverage. The current tarps are about 40% coverage.
- Next week we will be working on substrate for the elephant yard with the help of maintenance. The first day will consist of tilling up the existing substrate. The second day we will add more sugar sand and till it in with the existing substrate.
- We will be working on adding sugar sand to the giraffe yard. Screenings are starting to show again. Karen will get with Rudy at the warehouse next week to order more sugar sand.
- Jenny must be allowed access to at least one stall when temperatures get up to 70 degrees. When the weather gets warmer she should be fed inside.
- Kathy Harris starts work on June 4th.
- Everyone should figure out what they want to do with their "late time". You can leave early or take a two hour lunch. Tara can begin having a late day.
- Gina-Please check Jill and Tara off to do ocelot hair collection as a team. At this point, Tara should be doing the training (bridging) for this. Jill is still working on training requirements.
- Jenny's bran-continue to give Jenny bran twice a week until I can get with Kerri and the vets. Do not start salt yet.
- We will begin working on chaining Jenny again on Monday. She will be weighed on Monday, May 26th. Training sessions with her should be increased, even if they are short sessions. It is good for her to have increased interactions with us. Everyone needs to remember that there must be two people present at all times when working with her.
- Gavin-I spoke to Dr. Raines about weaning Jenny off meds. From what I am hearing, it needs to be decreased every two days. Please get with Dr. Storms on Friday. Dr. Raines will be leaving him a note about this.
- We will discuss moving Hoover this week. Karen will check with Ken on the air conditioner?
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Large Mammal Weekly Report
5-13-08 to 5-18-08

LM Barn

- ❖ A crane was brought in to try to help Keke elephant stand up. This was not possible. Keke was euthanized and taken to the hospital. 5/12
- ❖ Jenny elephant broke another exhibit, divider cable. Maintenance took down divider cables. 5/12
- ❖ Maintenance removed the tarp from over the ERD. 5/12
- ❖ Staff noticed a small bump located on Kibo giraffe's chin. 5/14
- ❖ Several media crews showed up to film Jenny elephant. They were escorted by DZS 5/14, 5/15
- ❖ Maintenance took measurements for new cloth for elephant shade structures. 5/16
- ❖ First day of work for new keeper, Michelle Tinsley. Began training in LM barn. 5/17
- ❖ Kibo giraffe was weighed=1936# (Decreased 64# since last weighed).
- ❖ Jenny elephant did great for scale training. 5/18

Cat Row

- ❖ Chula ocelot did not come in for a.m. diet. Otherwise she was normal. 5/13
- ❖ Plumbers emptied fishing cat pool and sand traps. 5/16
- ❖ Tara S. and Jill K. were trained and cleared for ocelot hair collection. 5/16
- ❖ Cats were weighed: Chula ocelot=27# (same as 4/11)
Gordo ocelot=26.5# (decreased .5# from 4/11)
Samidu fishing cat=21.5# (decreased .5# from 4/11)

Snout Route

- ❖ Substrate was moved into anteater and porcupine exhibits. 5/17
- ❖ Bob fossa chewed up coco mat (used for enrichment). This was observed by staff and immediately removed. He did not appear to have ingested any and was acting normal. 5/18
- ❖ Hoover anteater was moved to SA 6. 5/18