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Specimen Report for DICKERSON / 4022

Report End Date
2/8/2005



Taxonomic name: *Elephas maximus indicus*

Family: Elephantidae

Common name: Indian elephant

Order : Proboscidea

Current information

Sex: Female Sire ID:
Birth type: Captive Born Dam ID:
Birth Location: BURMA, MAYMY (unknown location) Rearing: Unknown
Birthdate-Age: 8 Aug 1981 - 23Y,6M,7D Hybrid: Not a hybrid
Time since last Acq: 8Y,11M,6D as of report end date

<u>Date in</u>	<u>Acquisition - Vendor/local Id</u>	<u>Holder</u>	<u>Disposition - Recipient/local Id</u>	<u>Date out</u>
20 Feb 1994	Loan In from MILWAUKEE / 2946	DICKERSON / 4022		
6 Mar 1996	Donation from MILWAUKEE / 2946	DICKERSON / 4022		

<u>Date</u>	<u>Identifier type</u>	<u>Identifier</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Comments</u>
8 Aug 1981	House Name	MOOLA		
20 Feb 1994	Regional Studbook #	42	UNKNOWN STUDBOOK	42 "International Studbook Number" from ARKS 2 records

<u>Date</u>	<u>Sex</u>	<u>Comments</u>
20 Feb 1994	Female	

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20 Feb 1994	Unknown	

- 29 NOV 99 Minyahk and Connie were introduced to Moola and Haji through the door between stall #3 and 4 for 30 minutes this morning with four single chains in place. At 11:30, Minyahk was brought into the stall with Moola and Haji, leaving Connie in stall #4 with three chains up. At 11:50, Connie was brought into stall #3 with the group. They were left together with keepers observing until 3:20 p.m. when Minyahk and Connie were put back into stall #4 with double chains and bar put in place in the doorway. This introduction went very well. Volunteers will watch again tonight. – J Glazier
- 03 DEC 99 Haji's weight is now 364 lbs. Moola and Haji were introduced to Patience and Kala in the north yard of the bull barn. Patience was initially chained with one long front chain to the rail. All reacted well initially, although Kala showed little interest in Haji. Kala still appears nervous, although he ventured farther away from Patience today. Patience was taken off the front leg chain and allowed free range of the yard. After approximately 15 minutes, Patience kicked Haji to the ground. It was unclear if it was disciplinary or aggressive. After about ten minutes more Patience maneuvered around to the opposite side of Moola (near Haji) and again kicked him to the ground, then proceeded to drop her head and attempt to smash him. Keepers took Patience away and worked her and put her back on the chain at the north end of the yard. Later, all four were taken inside, and Moola and Haji were separated from Patience and Kala with the chains between #3 and 4 again. In the afternoon keepers transferred Connie and Minyahk back to the bull barn and Patience and Kala back to the display barn. Kala responded well to leading the walk with a keeper holding his ear and Patience holding his tail. Connie and Minyahk were again placed with Haji and Moola in stalls #3 and 4. – M Carden
- 04 DEC 99 Keepers moved Haji, Moola, Connie, and Minyahk out behind the bull building to move Onyx and Betty to the north side of the bull building. Then moved them to the south yard to move Khun Chorn to the south side of the bull building. Haji moved very well through the crush. Haji got his first bath today and did very well. – S Duer
- 04 JAN 00 Took the first of three trunk washes today for TB testing. Procedure to be repeated the next two days. – J Glazier
- 08 FEB 00 1.2 were walked to bull building this afternoon after a major power outage in that part of the zoo caused by the transformer in the elephant/giraffe service area to produce a strong sulfa type odor. Walk went okay. Will re-evaluate on Wednesday. Power will be out for a couple of weeks; don't know how long the odor will be around. – D Luedde
- 09 FEB 00 Walked back to elephant/giraffe this morning with no problems. Electricity repaired, and odor in elephant/giraffe building gone. Heat back on. – D Luedde

- 15 FEB 00 Walked Connie and Kala from the bull building to the exhibit building to wean Kala. Patience was left on a front and back chain in stall #4 with a door cracked to Vicky in stall #5, while Connie and Kala were walked, and Minyahk was walked from the exhibit barn to the bull building. Patience was responsive to commands after the separation, so she was released from chains and put in the North yard with Minyahk and access to Vicky in stall #5 and corral for the day. Connie, Kala, Moola, and Haji were observed in the exhibit yard for the day. Some minor sparring occurred between Kala and Moola on occasion. Kala vocalized some this afternoon but was responsive to commands and ate his pellets well during the afternoon routine. – J Glazier
- 17 FEB 00 Kala is eating well and responding to commands. His pellets have been increased to 1 ½ scoops twice daily as per Dr. Hardy (check weight now and in a week). Kala and Moola continue to spar with each other. Haji has numerous tusk marks (white only, not broken skin) on his back, presumably from Kala, since Connie doesn't have tusks.
- 09 MAY 00 Walked Connie to elephant/giraffe to be with Minyahk, Moola, and Haji, leaving Patience and Vicky at the bull building.
- 22 JUN 00 Connie and Minyahk have both been observed keeping Moola out of the barn and shoving/hitting her. - M Carden
- 24 JUN 00 Patience was walked to elephant/giraffe this morning to see how or if she would get along with Haji. After about 30 minutes of her "stalking" him, it was decided to walk her back to bull building and wait a few months before trying again. This stalking is the same we have seen from Patience before attacking other babies.
- D Luedde
- 28 SEP 00 Vaccinated with 2 ml tetanus toxoid in the left rump. - M Carden
- 09 JAN 01 Trunk washes performed today on all 3.4 and will be continued Wednesday and Thursday. – D Luedde
- 10 JAN 01 Second of three trunk washes for TB testing collected today on Minyahk, Moola, Haji, Patience, and Connie this morning, Khun Chorn this afternoon. Onyx refused crush morning and afternoon. – J Glazier
- 11 JAN 01 Third of three trunk washes for TB testing collected this morning. – J Glazier
- 01 FEB 01 Moola is still allowing Haji to nurse, and her mammary glands are still very large. She was milked completely out from one teat today (by a keeper), while Haji emptied the other teat, and it was measured out to be 68 ml from the one teat.
– M Carden
- 10 FEB 01 Diet decrease from two scoops to 1 ½ scoops twice daily – overweight.
– D Luedde

- 19 APR 01 Dr. Hardy examined her tail and prescribed Epsom salt soaks and granulex. The wound appears to be improving. – M Carden
- 26 APR 01 Dr. Hardy prescribed continuing the Epsom salt soaks and the granulex spray. – M Carden
- 01 MAY 01 Minyahk was walked to the elephant/giraffe building this afternoon to be with Moola, Haji and Connie. Patience was left at the bull building to be a buddy with Dolly. They will be separated with corral or cracked door until we are sure they will get along without Minyahk. – D Luedde
- 08 JUN 01 Due to the aggression shown by Minyahk and Patience toward Dolly, she was put back with Onyx. She seems more at ease with him than the cows. Patience and Minyahk were moved to the exhibit barn and observed throughout the day. Patience was very interested in Haji, following him around and leading him away from the other elephants, but she never attempted to harm him. While in the stall with the other cows around, Haji would push on and tusk Patience in the face and trunk. Patience was very tolerant and would just raise her head to avoid some of the contact. The other cows, Connie, Minyahk and Moola, were very attentive to Haji's vocalizations, and whenever Patience was around him, Connie in particular appeared to be guarding Haji and dominating Patience. – M Carden
- 10 AUG 01 Her tail has a new bite wound. It was treated with Nolvasan solution and topically with silvadene. Keepers brought down furacin spray to use as the topical antibiotic. – M Carden
- 18 AUG 01 Patience was observed by other keepers beating up Moola while they were shut out of the yard while keepers were cleaning in the morning. – D Luedde
- 20 AUG 01 Minyahk was observed pushing Patience and grabbing her tail this morning. Connie is still not eating very well. Moola's tail looks as though it had been bitten again. – S Luedde
- 21 AUG 01 On Saturday, Keepers Carden and S. Luedde walked Connie and Minyahk up to the old safari area to re-acquaint them with the area in preparation for taking Haji out for his first "fun" walk. On Tuesday keepers Carden, Luedde, Luedde and Bradford walked Connie, Minyahk, Moola and Haji up to the safari area while Glazier monitored Patience, who was left at the exhibit barn. The elephants were tailed up with Connie leading, Moola in the center, and Minyahk bringing up the rear. Haji stayed close to Moola overall, moving on either side of her trunk and occasionally would wander a few feet away, but would catch up quickly. Patience was calm during her stay at the barn. Overall, they played well at the Bush Camp and were calm on their walk back.

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- 18 DEC 02 3 mls tetanus vaccination given to 0.4 today (IM). – D Luedde
- 29 APR 03 Walked from elephant/giraffe to bull building to be introduced to Sabu.
– D Luedde
- 27 MAY 03 As per Dr. Hardy, 0.3 pellet ration has been reduced to 1 ½ scoop daily.
– S Luedde
- 21 JUN 03 Due to Sabu beating up Patience the other day, we have been rotating bulls
around to the North Yard, leaving the other inside (south yard not available due
to construction) in order to give all 2.2 access. Split Patience and Moola and put
Patience in with Khun-Chorn, and Moola and Sabu together on a 24-hour basis.
All appear to be getting along just fine. Khun Chorn did mess with Patience
(rectal palpations), for a few minutes, but settled down after a few minutes.
– D Luedde
- 19 JUL 03 M. Carden ran P4 assay today. Connie was due to cycle anytime, so switched
Moola and Connie. Now Connie and Patience are with Khun Chorn for breeding,
and Moola is with Minyahk at the elephant/giraffe building. – S Luedde
- 30 AUG 03 Moola was moved from elephant/giraffe building to Bull Building. Patience was
moved to elephant/giraffe from Bull Building. Moola was put in with Sabu.
Connie was put in with Khun Chorn. There was breeding interest. Khun Chorn
mounted Connie several times with no confirmed penetration. – S Luedde
- 22 OCT 03 Elephants all were given Probios. – M Carden
- 10 DEC 03 Drew a purple-top and an extra serum tube from Connie and Moola during the
regular weekly blood collection for CBC and chemistry. – J Glazier
- 31 DEC 03 Elephants received an injection of 3 ml tetanus toxoid IM in the right hip.
– J Glazier
- 29 JAN 04 Completed the third day on trunk washes for tb testing today. – M Carden
- 08 FEB 04 1101 weighed 7,870 lbs. today. 4022 weighed 9,250 lbs. today. – D Luedde
- 20 MAR 04 Yesterday Connie weighed 7,850 lbs and Moola weighed 9,300 lbs. Khun-Chorn
didn't show any breeding interest in Connie today. He only showed interest in
her on the 17th. Sabu was observed holding Moola's tail on Thursday afternoon,
but otherwise hasn't shown any breeding interest. – M Carden
- 31 MAR 04 Khun Chorn will not allow Connie to be separated from him. He is still guarding
her. They were locked together in stalls #4 and 5 for the night. Sabu is acting
very aggressive and was very reluctant to allow Moola to be separated from him
tonight. – M Carden

- 14 APR 04 Moola was with Sabu all day, and this afternoon she was found to have seminal fluid on her rear. Sabu was streaming seminal fluid from his penis. No breeding was observed. Moola has several minor abrasions on her rump from the last several weeks with Sabu. She does not seem to be stressed by him. Moola was left with Sabu tonight in stall #3 and the east yard. Sabu is in musth.
- M Carden
- 22 APR 04 Breeding activity was observed with Khun-Chorn and Moola today. Mounting behavior observed by Bradford and later by maintenance worker (Pace). No penetration observed. Moola cycled two weeks ago while she was with Sabu. Khun-Chorn was reluctant to give Moola up this afternoon. - J Glazier
- 18 MAY 04 Connie, 1101, weighs 7740; Minyahk, 65, weighs 9610; Patience, 3320, weighs 8760; Moola, 4022, weighs 9270. - S Luedde
- 18 JUN 04 Cows put with bulls for breeding, Moola and Sabu, KC and Patience.
- S Luedde
- 03 JUL 04 Keepers observed repeated breeding attempts between Moola and Sabu with no success. Moola kept stretching or crossing her legs when he attempted to mount. - M Carden
- 04 JUL 04 Possible breeding interest between Moola and Sabu today. Keepers arrived to see Sabu with an erection standing next to Moola. During the morning bath routine, Moola as found to be slimed from last night. - D Luedde
- 03 OCT 04 Keepers put Connie and Moola in with their prospective mates. According to the bloodwork, Moola is ready, and Connie has a little while before she is ready. Despite that, Khun Chorn showed interest in Connie, chasing her around the yard dropped out, with his head on her back. Khun Chorn mounted Connie, but no penetration. - S Luedde
- 09 OCT 04 There was breeding activity between Moola and Sabu. Keeper observed mounting and possible penetration. A community service worker also mentioned seeing possible breeding activity. - S Luedde
- 17 FEB 05 As of today, the elephants have completed three days of daily trunk washes for annual TB testing. - J Glazier