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## Game Drive no 213 by Neil and Morag Hulett unit 45

Hi Everyone,

Monday 16 am, Cool overcast morning, light drizzle off and on, we stay home. This continues throughout the day, no drive.

Tuesday 17 am, Gale force wind, very cold and miz, 2 mm of rain, we stay warm in bed.

Wednesday 18 am, Another cool overcast morning but it slowly starts to clear, so by the time we get home, plenty of blue sky about and much warmer, game wise, not to much about, impala, baboon & bushbuck plus 11 yellowbilled storks, along the river, all though the river is up a bit, very muddy and brown, along pels, then through to warthog, hide, jackal plains and down to double and big, where we stop for a cuppa, just impala along the way, up past natural pan, more impala and the same for sand, we take the road for rhino, now as we come down to rhino, we watch a whole lot of vultures dropping down to somewhere along the palm, we check in at rhino, and while doing so, spot a dark grey bakkie driving along the road opposite rhino and then turning south along the 4 pylons, unfortunately couldn't get a number, but called it in for Glen, we then cross the palm and turn left along the same road and by this time a mass of vultures and 3 jackal are all scrapping over what is left of a impala, Glen arrives and we have a look, most probably a leopard or cheetah, anyway must have been frightened off by the our vehicle????, we continue our drive, past sable, sable plains, single pylons and along zozo hut for the RWLR, again impala here and there, along the RWLR, through warthog once more and then e/e, kudu and home, again just impala about, but not a single new baby to be seen.

Thursday 19 am, Into Hoedies, shop and the dentist, we have some friends, coming for a few days, on our way in pass a small herd of ellies on the e/e and then it starts to rain and continues though out the day, no drive.

Friday 20 am, Heavy overcast, raining, we have had another 35 mm, so we will see how it goes. No drive.

Saturday 21 am, More rain, add a further 42mm to the total, stay home, maybe a chance of a drive later. Wind comes through, rain stops, clouds lift and off we go on our drive, impala here and there, a lone rhino along the palm, on sable plains, and the main interest, 5 lion, on a giraffe kill, near tamboti link, apparently the giraffe, a large male, died of unknown causes, the lion are from Klaserie, very nervous, keep on dashing off every time a car arrives, anyway some reasonable viewing, home.

Sunday 22 am, Friends, so no lying in this sunday, a absolutely stunning morning, another 10mm to finish off the week, really great to drive around where there is water, water, everywhere, fantastic, along to the lions, Eric is there, so we join for awhile, the lion much quieter this am, from here we go down the klaserie road, past rhino then sable besides impala, very little else, decide to go up snake alley, then through buff plains and onto warthog again plenty of impala, but not a new baby to be seen, finally down to the river, baboon, more impala, 3 bushbuck and a couple of kudu, we cross over onto ON and take their river drive down to sand hide, for breakfast, then home.

Well what with the rain, not the busiest week, but no complaints, that rain, special. Thats the lot,

you all take care now,

Roars & Trumpets, N&M.....

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