



**Tracking Animals for Conservation
Elephant Tracking Report No. 3: Late May to Late June 2011**

We bring you an update of the movement of 19 collared elephants in the Associated Private Nature Reserves (APNR) and Kruger National Park (KNP), South Africa. On the 17th June, Wessa was fitted with a new satellite collar and Captain Hook's collar was removed. Captain Hook's collar was removed as he spends much of his time in the Kruger which makes it difficult to have regular re-sightings of him. On the 5th of July we recollared Barry but we will report on his new collar's downloads next month. We are hoping to replace an additional collar before the end of July.

Captain Hook, Wessa, Tussle and Mac spent all of the last month in Kruger National Park with Matambu, Diney and Mellow also spending some time there. Yvonne and Irving continued to enjoy Balule Private Nature Reserve whilst Joan, Lapajuma and Gower made good use of Klaserie Private Nature Reserve. Umbabat was home to several of the elephants with only Barry spending the entire month in the Timbavati Private Nature Reserve.

To help you understand the elephants and their movements the first position of the month is indicated with a diamond and the last position of the month is indicated with an elephant. Cows all point to the left and bulls to the right.

We hope you enjoy this latest report.
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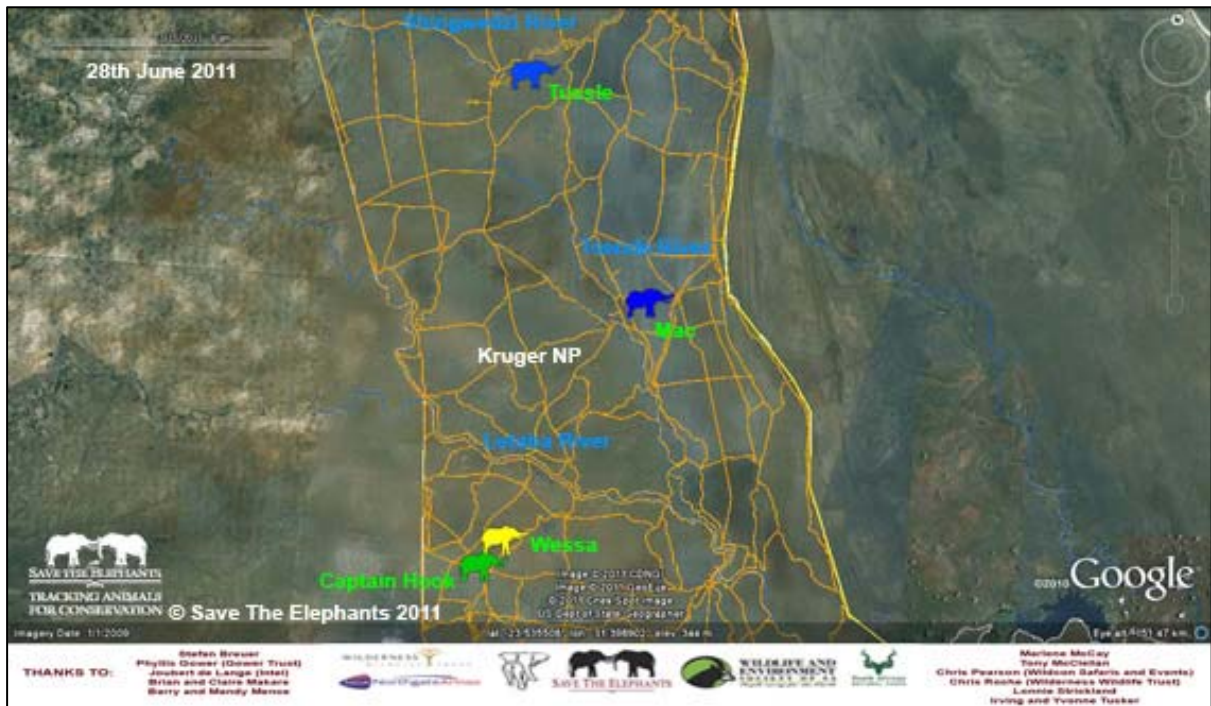


Figure 1: Positions of elephants in northern Kruger NP 28th June 2011

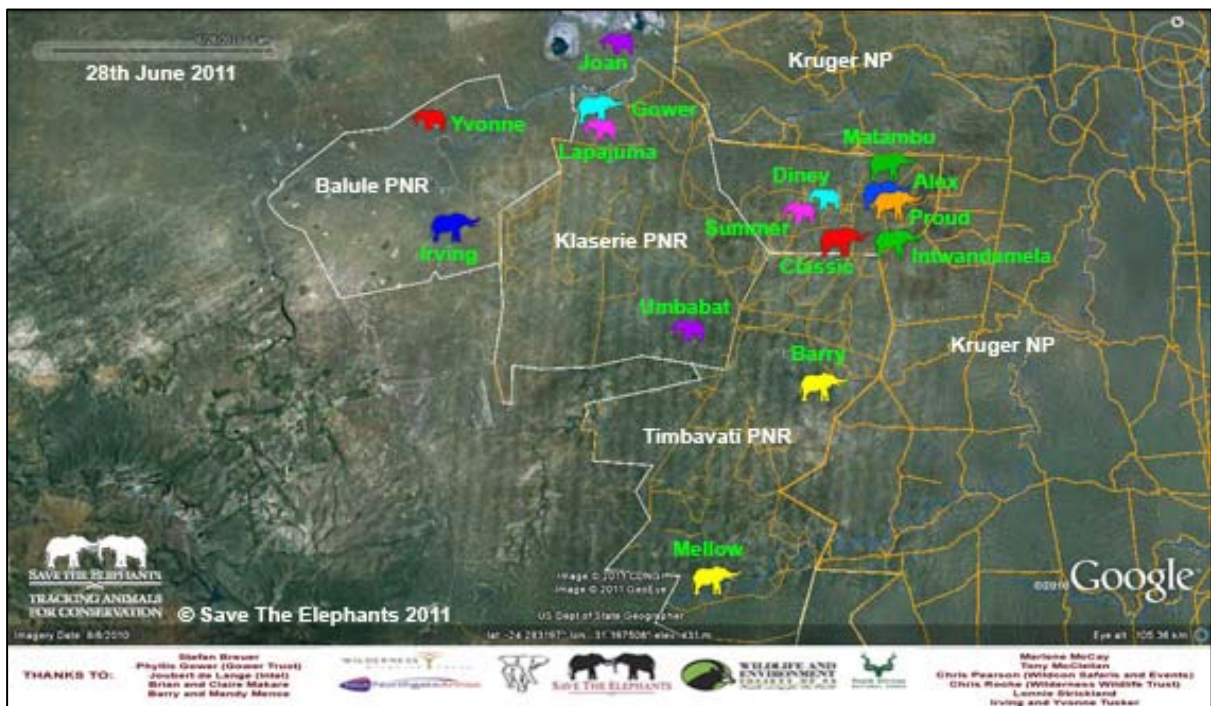


Figure 2: Positions of elephants in the APNR 28th June 2011

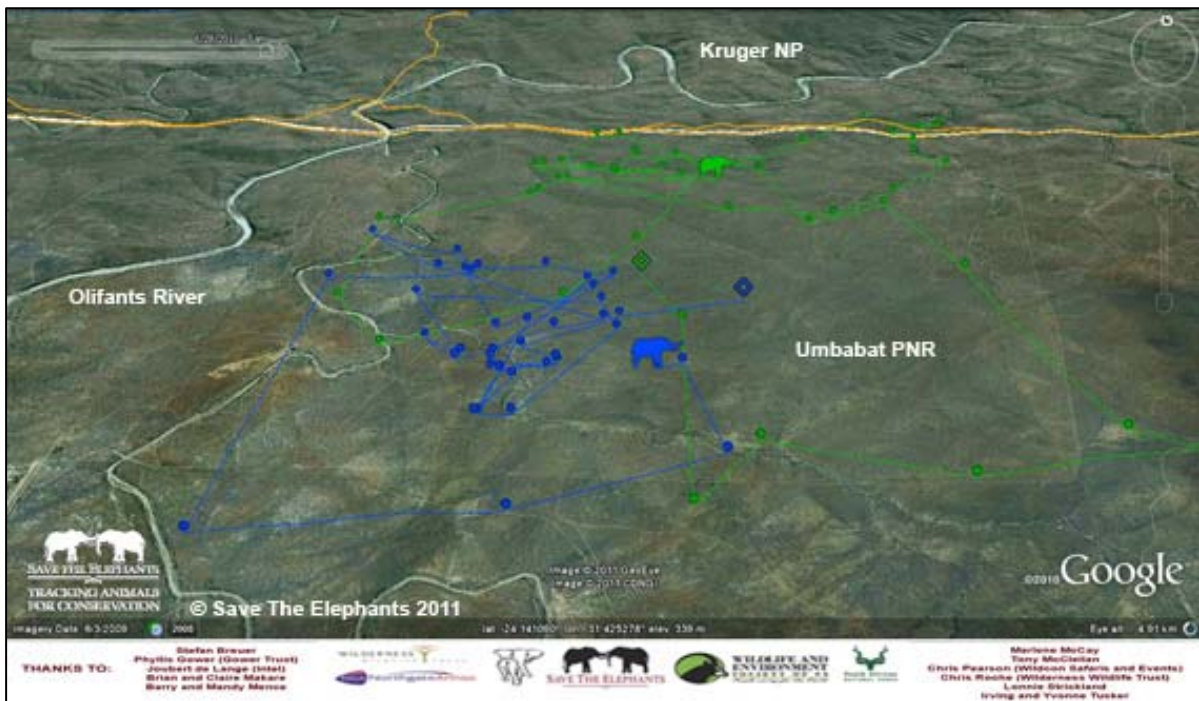


Figure 3: Alex (blue) and Matambu (green)

Both Alex and Matambu kept their movements to a minimum staying in north-eastern Umbabat PNR. Alex stayed within close range of a tributary of the Nsharalumi River whilst Matambu moved between three tributaries and spent some time just north of the Umbabat PNR boundary in Kruger NP.

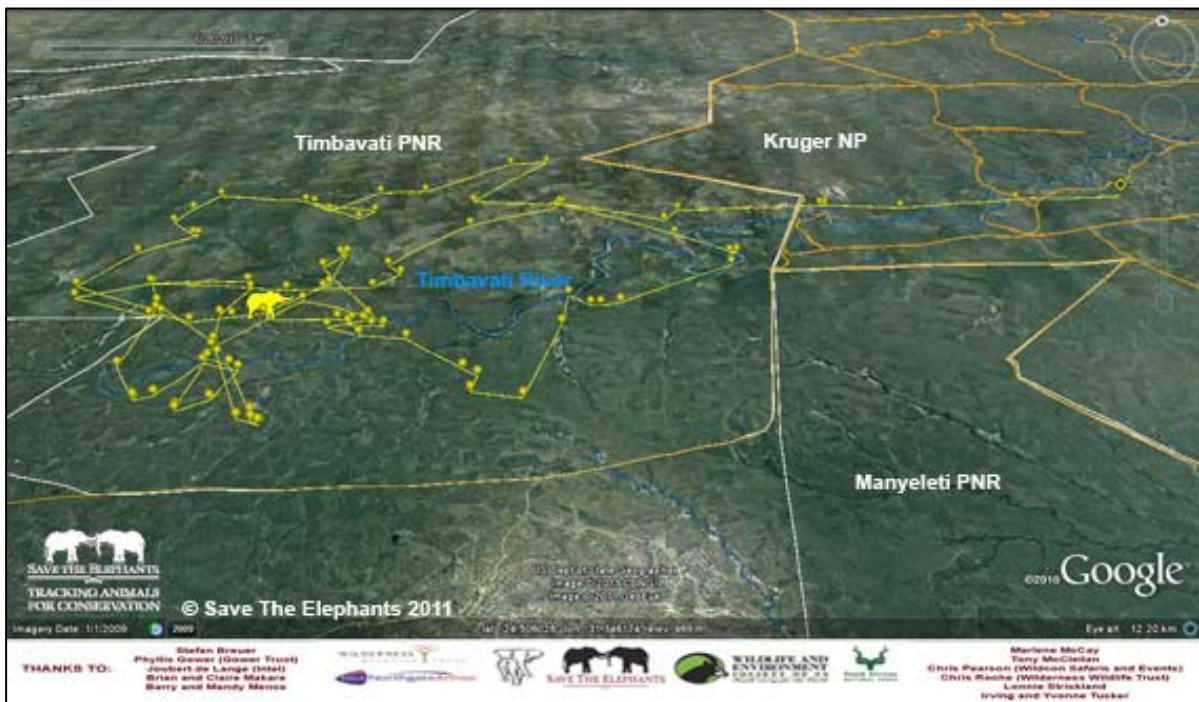


Figure 4: Mellow

Mellow has not moved as much as last month keeping within close proximity of the Timbavati River in the Timbavati PNR and Kruger NP. In comparison to the approximate distance of 170km that was covered last month, in June he only travelled approximately 75kms.

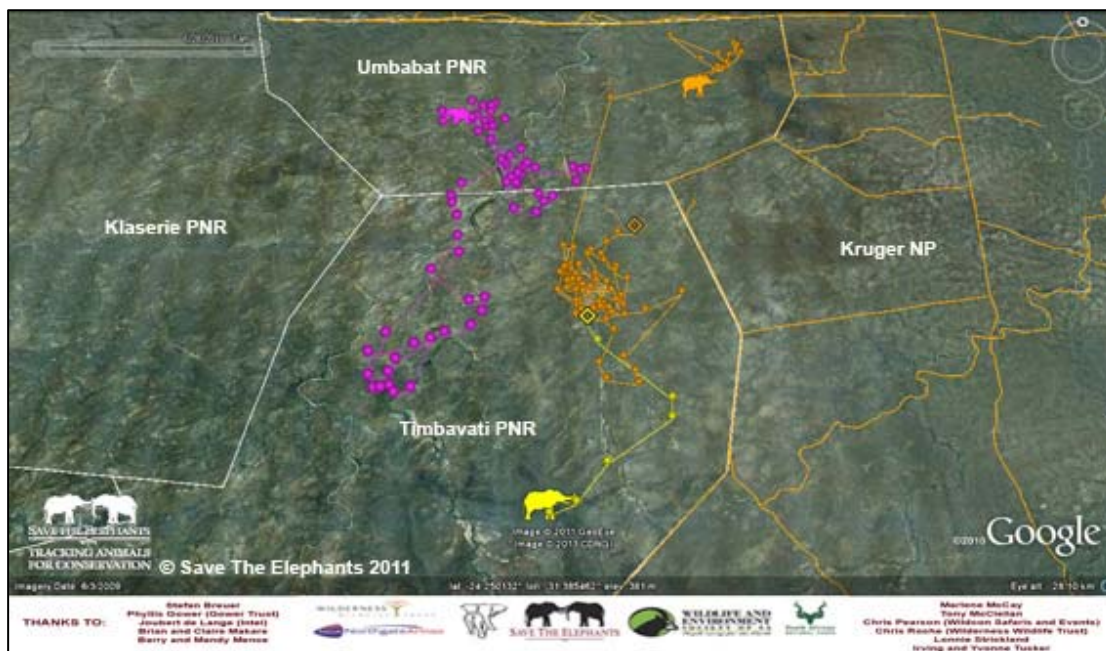


Figure 5: Proud (orange), Barry (yellow) and Summer (pink)

Summer moved between Timbavati and Umbabat PNRs staying close to the Nsharalumi River. She was in Umbabat PNR at the end of May and then travelled south to Timbavati PNR. She then looped back up to Umbabat PNR before again heading south to Timbavati PNR covering at least 13kms in three days. She ended the month back in Umbabat PNR. Whilst Barry spent May in Umbabat PNR, his movements were limited to Timbavati PNR in June. Proud spent nearly the entire month in Timbavati PNR before moving north to Umbabat PNR on the 25th June.

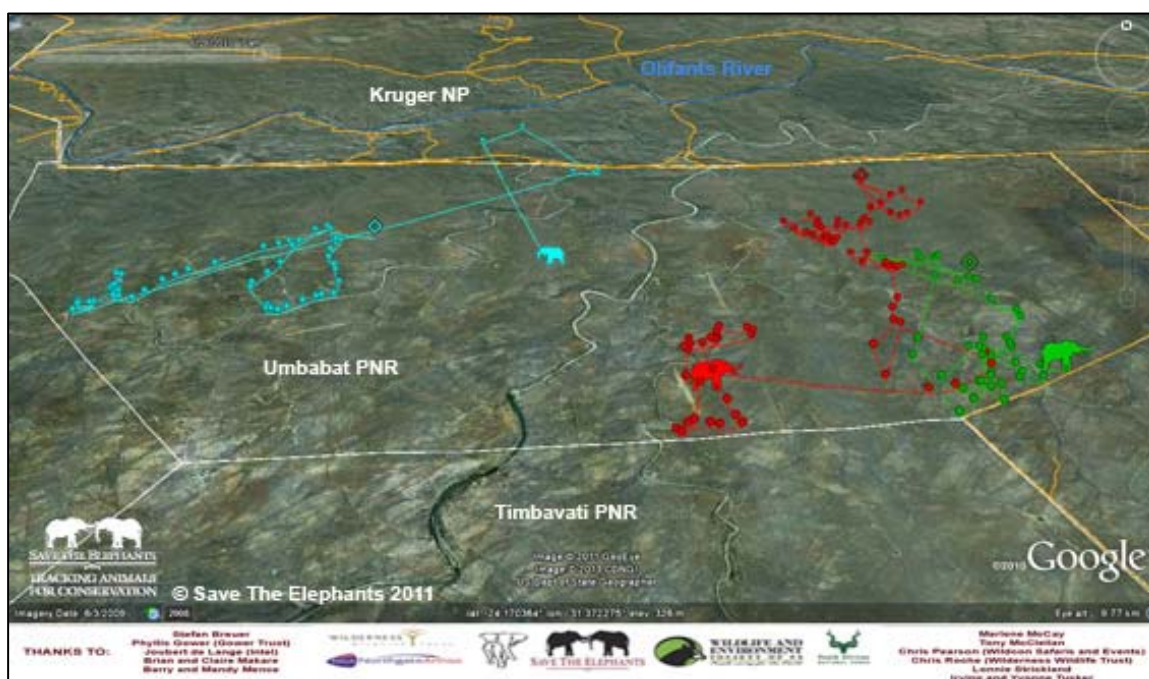


Figure 6: Classic (red), Diney (turquoise) and Intwandamela (green)

Diney mainly stayed in Umbabat PNR moving southwest then retracing her steps before making a small loop. She then travelled northeast to Kruger NP ending the month back in Umbabat PNR. Intwandamela, unlike May, stayed within a small area in eastern Umbabat PNR ending the month near the Umbabat PNR/Kruger NP southern boundary. Classic, having spent May in Kruger NP, could be found near the Umbabat PNR/Kruger NP northern border at the end of May. He then moved southeast crossing paths with Intwandamela. Finally he travelled west to end the month in southern Umbabat PNR.

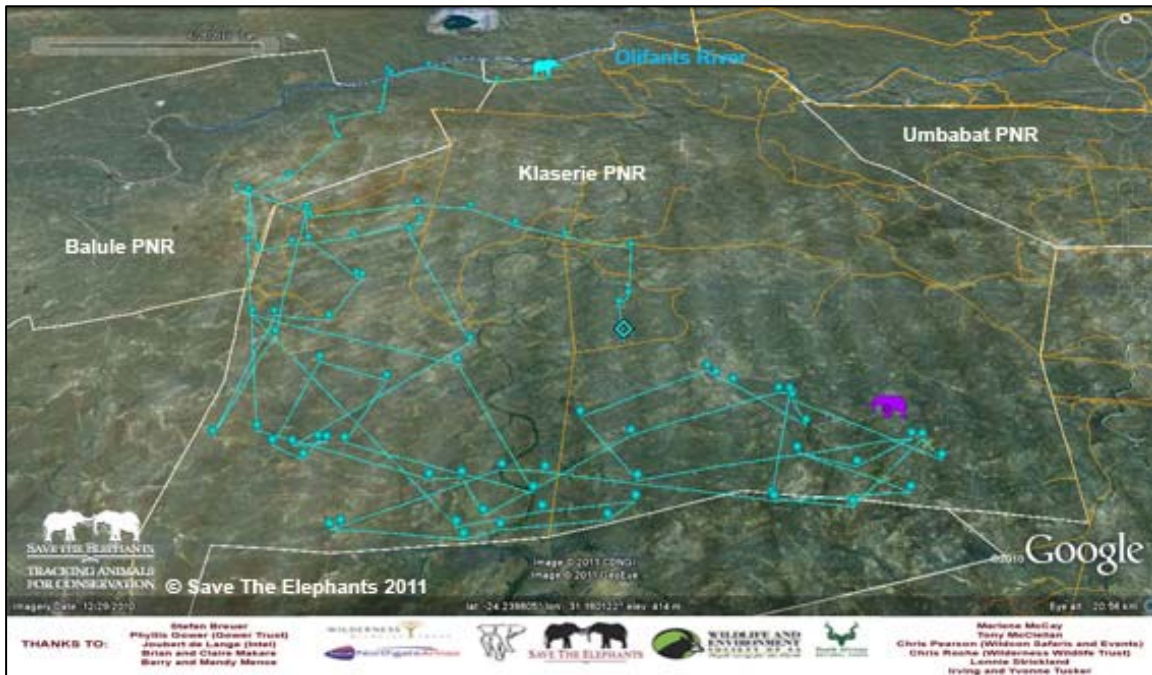


Figure 7: Gower (turquoise) and Umbabat (purple)

It appears Umbabat stayed in south-eastern Klaserie PNR for most of the month but her collar unfortunately did not download many points so her exact locations are difficult to trace. Gower, on the other hand, was active moving widely across Klaserie PNR and into Balule PNR. At the end of May he was located in central Klaserie PNR, he then moved west towards the Olifants River before heading south to the Klaserie PNR boundary. He stayed near the boundary until the 24th June when he headed north to the Olifants River. After a stop at the river he headed east to cross paths with Lapajuma before moving west again, covering a total distance of approximately 200km.

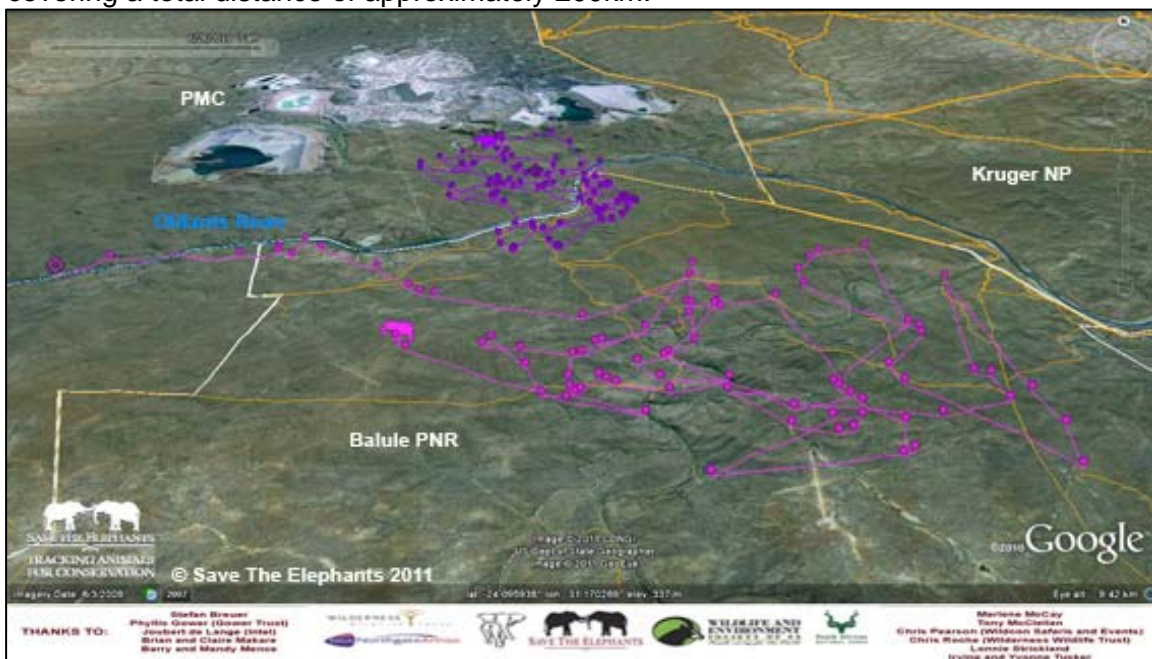


Figure 8: Lapajuma (pink) and Joan (purple)

Much like May, Joan continued to move in the area between PMC and the Olifants River. Lapajuma's movements were more widespread with her ending May on the Olifants River. She then moved into Balule PNR where she spent most of the month within proximity of a

tributary of the Olifants River. The end of the month saw her travelling west back towards the Olifants River.

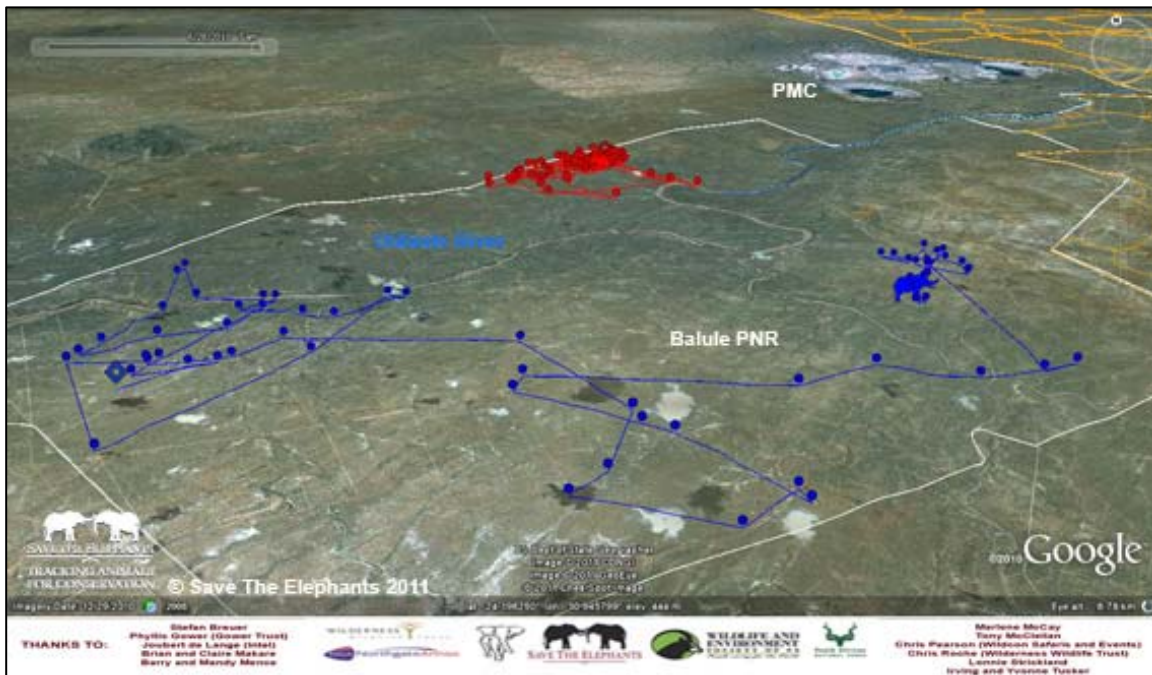


Figure 9: Yvonne (red) and Irving (blue)

Yvonne spent the entire month just north of the Olifants River in Balule PNR. At the end of May Irving was moving along the Olifants River. He then traversed south across Balule PNR doing a small loop before heading east. In the last week he has stayed in a small area approximately 3km south of the Olifants River. Unlike most months Yvonne and Irving did not cross paths in June.

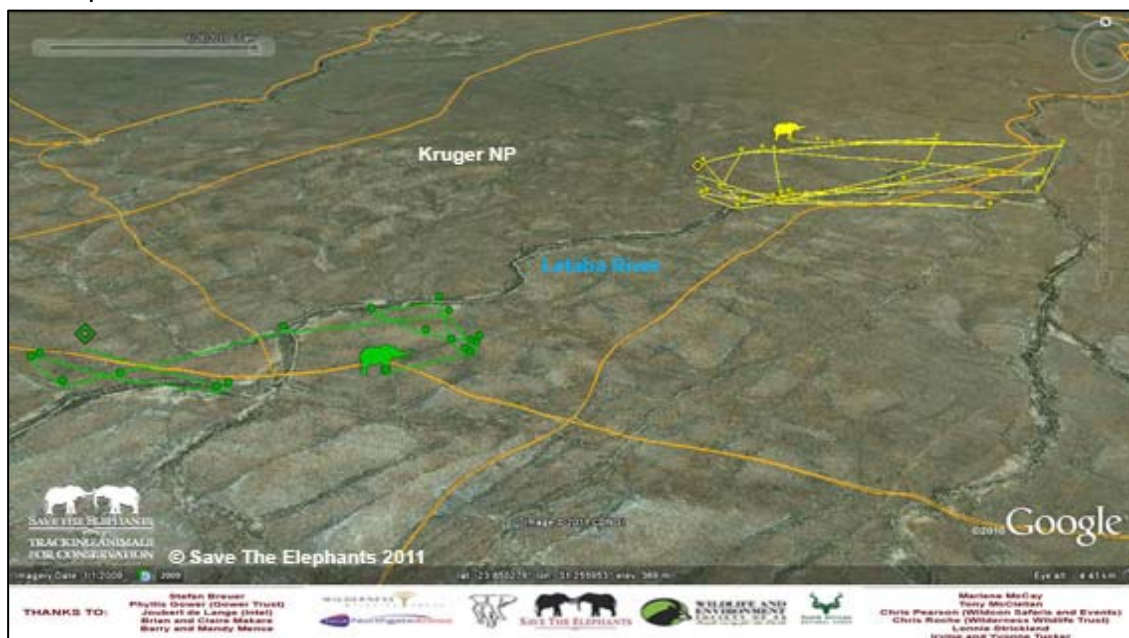


Figure 10: Captain Hook (green) and Wessa (yellow)

Both Captain Hook and Wessa spent the month along the Letaba River in Kruger NP, keeping their movements to a minimum. On the 17th June Captain Hook's collar was removed and Wessa's collar was replaced.

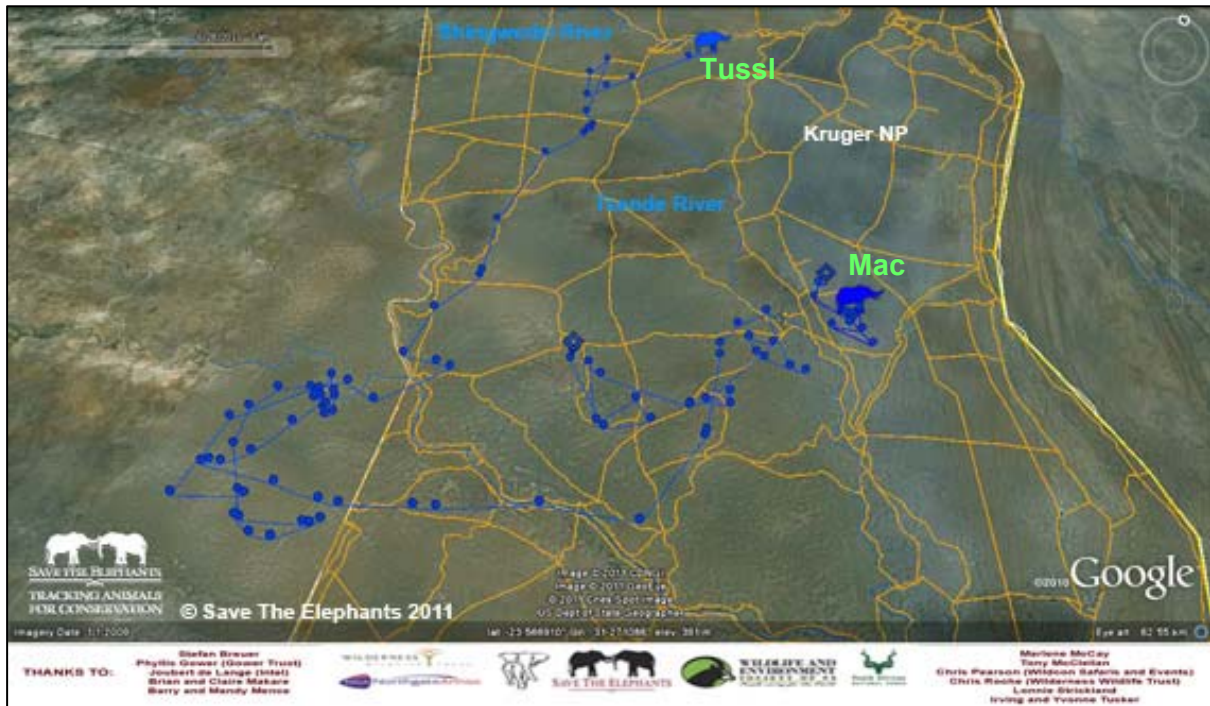


Figure 11: Mac and Tussle

Mac stayed within a 16km² area close to the Tsende River. Tussle covered a far greater distance, first moving east to the Tsende River. He then travelled south and then west, crossing the Letaba River to get to Letaba PNR. After a week in Letaba PNR he moved north covering a distance of 100km in five days.