

LETTER FROM THE EDITOR



This has been a really busy year with nine monkeys and apes being rescued from four different countries as well as several expected and unexpected births at the park. Sadly, the illegal global trade in primates is increasingly putting incredible pressure on rescue centres such as Monkey World. We also continue to battle the LEGAL trade in primates as pets in the UK. We have taken on the life time care of so many of these victims of the pet trade and still, my current waiting list for monkeys we have been asked to take in numbers over 50 individuals; it is truly tragic! Your continued support and action to combat this trade is working – we have just received news from Freeads who have confirmed that **“we put a ban in place in August 2018 and now block all adverts for primates as pets... we are keen to have the highest levels of animal welfare and ethical standards so we’re all excited to be able to support your [Monkey World’s STAMP] campaign in any small way we can”**. Thank you Freeads and thanks to all of you who took the time to write to them and your MPs. Lets hope that the government can be so sensible?! We will have a **STAMP** update in

spring but until then please keep writing to your MPs and pointing out the errors they have made in their replies that were highlighted in the last edition of the ARC.

Over the past couple of months we have received some very generous donations and useful products such as live insects, fruit, vegetables, peanut butter, bedding, bonios, dried fruit, nuts in the shell, vitamins, tub trugs, fire hoses, and baby rice. **Rainbow Trugs** have donated some of their products which are on our wish list, and the primates were given pumpkins by **Sainsbury’s Ferndown, Co-op** and **Tesco**. Everything is very much appreciated. Others have had fundraising activities including **JP’s Barber Shop, Sherborne** who got a collection box from us, the students and staff at **Uxbridge College** also did a collection, there have been sales of personal jewellery to support primate rescues, **Wareham Hospital** donated boxes of face masks to help us combat the risk of colds and flu at the park, and the **Jim Cronin Memorial Fund** sponsored our flu jabs and helped with Naree’s move.

Going through Sally’s childhood photos was tough, but it brought back a lot of happy memories. Our thoughts and best wishes are also with the families and friends of supporters who have sadly passed away. We would like to remember **Phylis Basu, Jean Bates, David Brett, Christine Cowell, Sylvia Gray, Bee Henderson, Derek Jude, Madeleine Merryweather, Grace Ollis, Ian Pearson, Veronica Rayner, Victor Sainsbury, Lilian Skinner, Karen Smith, Peter Thorne, Shirley Treanor, and Robert Wells**. They will all be dearly missed.

Life marches on at the park no matter what is thrown at us. Regardless of the ups or the downs we will be here to pick up the pieces for monkeys and apes that need our help or protection. The arrival of Naree at the park covers all of those things. As one beautiful lady departs another arrives, just wish Jim was here to see her. Thank you all for your support over 2018, we could not do it without you.

All the best for a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Olivia Cronin

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SPECIAL FEATURE

**After 15 years
Naree has finally
arrived at
Monkey World!**

HOW YOU CAN HELP

Help us by donating goods such as:

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| Foods high in fibre | Equipment |
| Raspberries | Small/Medium Baskets |
| Avocados | Bedding |
| Dried Apricots | Hessian Sacks |
| Seeds: Pumpkin & Sunflower | Thick Ropes |
| Nuts: (Shelled & Unshelled) | Red/Black Fire Hose |
| Almond, Hazel, Pistachio | Toys |
| Pulses: Chickpeas, | Dog Rope Toys |
| Butterbeans | Feeding Balls & Cubes |
| Wheatgerm, Oats | Kong Toys– all sizes |
| Garlic, Herbs | Balls: Tennis, Football, |
| Fruits, Vegetables | Ball pit balls |
| Supplements/other | Washed Plastic Bottles |
| Pure Baby Rice | Washed Socks |
| Cod Liver Oil Capsules | |

There are many ways in which you can help us to rescue and rehabilitate more primates. All donations go into a 100% fund - **NO ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS ARE REMOVED**. Monkey World is not a registered charity, but we have established the **Jim Cronin Memorial Fund for Primate Conservation and Welfare** (UK Registered Charity, No.1126939) and the

Endangered Asian Species Trust (UK Registered Charity No.1115350) which supports endangered primate rescue and rehabilitation in Asia.

Without your help, our rescue and rehabilitation work would not be possible. If you are on holiday and see a monkey or ape being used, abused, or neglected, please let us know. Take down all the details and try to get a photo – we follow up on as many reports as possible.

In addition to the list, there are many other items we need to care for our rescued primates. Please see our **NEW UPDATED Amazon Wish List** that has all kinds of different goods that the monkeys and apes need. And remember our **Winter Bedding Appeal** for any unused bedding, blankets, or towels. The **On-line Shop** has loads of new items for presents and stocking stuffers (<http://www.monkeyworld.org/Monkey-World-Online-Gift-Shop>) & **Gift Catalogue** is full of monkey memorabilia and ape accessories for anyone who loves primates as much as we do!



Proud adoptive parent

As a supporter, part of the Monkey World family, and **adoptive parent**, please tell colleagues, friends, and family about the **Primate Adoption Scheme**. All adoption monies go into a 100% fund for the rescue of more monkeys and apes and their on-going care – every penny. Let them know that as an adoptive parent, they will receive a year’s pass to the park, a photo of the monkey or ape, a certificate, and the **Ape Rescue Chronicle** three times per year. **Establish a legacy** for the long-term welfare of the primates and be remembered in the park. Help us to rescue more monkeys and apes in need.



FOREVER IN OUR HEARTS AND MINDS

Naree Lost, Found, & Now at Monkey World!

By Alison Cronin & Jeremy Keeling



Alison first met Naree in 2003 when she was working illegally in an amusement park circus show

It all started in 2003 when Jim and I were investigating the illegal trade in orang-utans in some of Thailand's amusement parks.

At Sriracha Tiger Zoo (STZ) we found a circus show in which two chimpanzees, an orang-utan, and some tigers were dressed up and trained to perform for an audience. The show was quite shocking with the older chimpanzee and the orang-utan both trained to pull a rickshaw around the ring with a tiger on board. Mine and Jim's attention was immediately drawn to the very sad and deformed chimpanzee.

I went over to the side of the ring and made chimpanzee noises and she came over to me and it was clear that there was something very wrong with her face. It was hard to tell what her overall condition was as she was fully clothed for the performance. After the show we approached the STZ staff, introduced ourselves, and asked about the condition of the chimpanzee. They said that they were also concerned and had a veterinarian take X-rays of her face; yes it was a female and her name was Naree. We were welcome to come backstage and see her and offer advice.

Naree, along with the other animals, was in a cage and had already been undressed. Her bodily condition looked ok for a young adult but when we asked for her mouth to be opened, it was really sad to see. Most her teeth had been removed except a few molars in the back and her gums were smooth and pink. We suggested she needed specialist veterinary care and that there could be an ongoing problem with her

sinuses that had already left her face deformed. We offered to give Naree a home at Monkey World but this decision would not be down to her trainers who were also concerned.

The management of STZ would not release her to us so we immediately started a campaign to free Naree and had people write to the Thai Embassy in London. We had no way of knowing but the campaign worked and Thai officials were sent to seize the chimp a couple of months later. Jim and I were only aware that she had disappeared from the circus show. We could not find her, and no one would tell us where she had gone. Contacts in Thailand said that she had been taken to a government wildlife centre and had been exchanged with a zoo in China. Naree was gone.



Alison was pleased to meet the chimpanzee Naree she had found 15 years ago



Naree in her enclosure in Thailand



Naree's mouth & face is permanently damaged



Jeremy meets Naree



Fifteen years later...

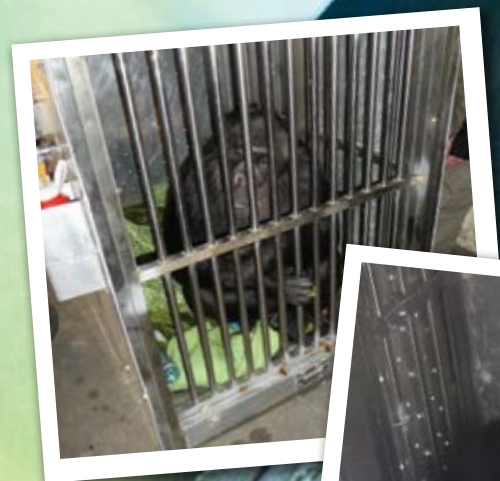
I was contacted by Love Wildlife Foundation who were working with Bluetail Animal Aid at government wildlife centres in Thailand. They had come across a solitary female chimpanzee named "Natalie and she has facial deformities". I knew instantly that it was Naree!! In January I went to meet Thai officials from the Department of National Parks and they took me to see her. It was unbelievable, after so many years, and she ran straight over and gave me a big hello-amazing. Getting all the paperwork done and arranging the transport details took months but by October 8th the move was on. Jeremy and I went to collect her and were really pleased that she let us hand inject her anaesthetic to get her into her travel box. She was calm throughout and totally relaxed inside our travel box with plenty of snacks and blankets.

Once we arrived home it was apparent what a truly nice person Naree is. She has just gone through an extreme change, with a huge journey, yet Naree has been nothing but friendly, clever, and switched on. She met Lulu on day one. The two ladies played a bit which made it a safe event, aborted only when Lulu decided she didn't want to be cooped up inside anymore. Day two was Rodders' turn but he turned into a spiteful monster trying to bite Naree's feet. Naree was firm when it came to nasty behaviour but also friendly and submissive,

wanting to make friends. This introduction was aborted.

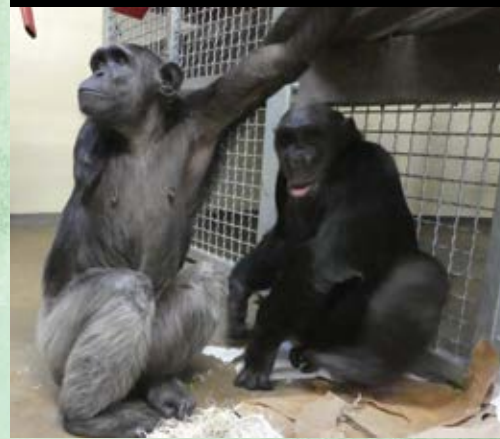
Naree met Bryan through the mesh for a few days until we opened the door for the first contact meeting. Bryan has many issues of his own so taking things slowly with him was the plan. Things went well with big Bryan and Naree and we quickly moved on to outside access and the reintroduction of Lulu. No negative behaviour or opinions, illustrating what a truly remarkable person Naree is. Soon after Rodders was reunited with everyone and he quickly realised what fun this new person is! We are still working on getting Ash to behave in a reasonable manner towards Naree, but until she demonstrates some pleasant behaviour she can stay on the naughty step as everyone else is doing very well.

We all love Naree. After all these years, welcome home!



Naree relaxing in a specially designed transport box on the 26 hour Journey to Monkey World

Meeting her new family at Monkey World



Naree meeting Lulu at Monkey World



With Rodders



Playing on the climbing frame



Holding hands with Rodders



CINDY'S...OR SOON TO BE BART'S COMMUNITY

By Hannah Barlow

At the Templer Pavilions there has been some disruption over the summer due to home improvements but both groups are handling it well and once finished it will be a great enhancement for the chimps and also help Primate Care Staff (PCS) to better care for the 31 apes that live here.



Beth, Peppa, Chatta & Cindy

Bart is filling-out into a handsome male and takes after his father Paddy in many ways. He isn't the clear leader of the group yet but has recently forged an alliance with Busta and the two can often be seen patrolling their enclosure together. Bart's type 1 diabetes treatment is going really well and a balanced diet has been created for the whole group that keeps his blood sugar pretty stable even though he will require insulin shots for the rest of his life.

Busta's alliance with Bart benefits both males as there are formidable matriarchs in the group to keep under control! Busta can seem serious, but he is a very playful chimp and when he can't get one of the other chimps to join in, he often tries to get PCS to play chase up and down the fence-line.

Chatta makes a distinctive noise by clapping her lips together, to get your attention and her share of the goodies, when food is going out to the group. Chimps often make similar noises when they are grooming.

Gamba seems to be finally growing up and causing less trouble amongst the girls, although he still has his moments! Earlier in the summer he had a period when he felt that he needed to assert his dominance over Bixa, which didn't always go his way!

Eddi is very close to her brother Bart. His rising status within the group's dominance hierarchy benefits Eddi and he always comes running to her aid if someone upsets her.



Chatta

Busta

Beth

Athena is a lower ranking member of the group but is very sweet and gets along with everyone without causing any trouble. Like most chimps she gets very excited about food and is always happy at feed times.

Micky is a laid-back individual who likes nothing better than to tuck himself up in a comfy nest and cover himself with a blanket. He has even been known to stuff pillow cases with wood wool to provide a soft place to rest his head!

Bixa is 41 this year and one of the oldest chimps at the park so we keep a close eye on her and make sure that she remains in peak health. Despite being elderly, she maintains a relatively high position amongst the females in the group.

Cindy is a high-ranking female in the group and one of the original chimps that were rescued from Spain. She has been protesting about not having access to HER bedrooms (during renovations) by not coming in with the rest of the group at night. PCS are working on getting her to come into the tunnel whilst they gradually close the slide.

Lola is a low ranking female with a lot of character and is often seen with Micky and Gamba. Forming close alliances with the males in the group means that they will often come to her assistance if she gets into trouble with one of the other ladies!

Grisby is close to Cathy and Clin, whom she arrived with from a laboratory in France. When the group first got their new tunnel from the pavilion to the enclosure, Grisby teamed up with Cathy to prevent the PCS from shutting the slides! She soon realised that if she allowed the slides to be closed, she would get a nice reward.



Cindy

Grisby

Gamba

Bart

Bixa

Peppa is a lower ranking female who forages for leftovers by the fence following the chimpanzee talk. Peppa remains close to Bart after being one of his companions during his time separated from the others in order to create a treatment plan for his type 1 diabetes last year.

Toprish only arrived at the park at the end of September but she is settling in really well and has already met 13 of the 16 individuals through the mesh in the bedrooms. She has

had full contact introductions with Micky, Peppa, Chatta, Zoe, Beth, and Grisby so far. While Toprish has a lot to learn about chimpanzee behaviour it is a good start and we will be taking it slow over winter to ensure that she makes some good friendships before starting to get her in with the whole community that will become her family.

Zoe is a high-ranking female and makes sure she gets her fair share of the food. She is easily recognisable due to her grey hair and pink spots across her eyebrow ridge. She looks quite thoughtful as she sucks on her top lip.



Toprish grooming Beth

ORANG-UTAN CRÉCHE UPDATE

By James Edwards

The nursery group have enjoyed the long summer, spending the days relaxing in the sunshine as well as having lots of energetic play sessions. Even Oshine has joined in occasionally!



Oshine and Mimi cuddling up

Oshine has had to be on the ball this year with her hands full looking after Mimi and playing the peacemaker whenever Jin gets too boisterous. She tries to relax by sitting in her sunny spot whenever she gets the chance.



Jin

Jin is getting bigger everyday and starting to try and be the man of the house, but is very good at changing his style of play between younger and older house mates. His favourite wrestling partner is still Silvestre where he can really show off his strength to the ladies.

Silvestre has enjoyed spending lots of time wrestling with Jin, although he sometimes finds Jin a bit too heavy-handed and often enjoys the softer option of being able to win over Bulu Mata. Silvestre is kind to all house mates, showing his more delicate well-natured character.

Bulu Mata has grown up a lot and although Rieke still likes to be by his side, Bulu likes to get involved with his bigger friends too.



Bulu Mata



Silvestre

He sometimes shows his naughty side and likes to be very cheeky to his house mates and PCS alike.

Rieke has also had an excellent year, becoming more independent from her best friend Bulu. She still likes to spend time with him and loves to cuddle up with Bulu at nest time. However, Rieke's no.1 favourite is food and she seems to forget all about Bulu until she's had her fill!

Mimi started off at the park unsure of her house mates and carers but has come on in leaps and bounds. Now she is very sociable and likes to get involved in everything. She spends a lot of time with Jin lately but still loves a good cuddle from Oshine especially when she is tired. Oshine is always happy to oblige.



Rieke



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MARMOSETS & TAMARINS

By Karen Swan

There is never a quiet year with the marmosets at Monkey World. With 35 at the park currently, including a new arrival, there is never a dull moment. Some groups have stayed the same over the last year but some have changed with new friendships being formed.



Amy

Fred, Sammy & Freya: Our latest arrival is Freya, a Geoffroy's marmoset, who joined Fred and Sammy. Fred took a while to warm to his new housemate whereas Sammy was much more welcoming. Freya is one of the most chilled out marmosets we have and doesn't even react when Sammy tells her off for eating their food. Fred's favourite pastime is still people watching from his enclosure whereas Sammy and Freya prefer the loftier position of their overhead tunnel.

Reggie & Jerry: This brother and sister pair are all about outside and during the summer months we rarely see them inside. They particularly enjoy their enclosure when it gets a bit overgrown then they can watch what's going on without being spotted.

Mojo & Albert: These two have been together for a long time and are like an old married couple, they can get a little grumpy but always kiss and make up. Albert used to try and steal the medication we give to Mojo for her mobility so we have trained him to stay still on a separate platform while she eats it and then he gets a tasty reward.

Ruby & Oscar: Our official little and large couple. They both like to relax in the sunshine and Oscar has been seen using Ruby's stomach as a cushion, being smaller obviously has some perks! Oscar tries to keep up with Ruby but sometimes needs to rest his little legs while she runs around. Ruby showed her wild side recently by catching a bird.

Sydney & Chuck: We keep a close eye on Sydney's mobility as her arms and legs are slightly deformed but it doesn't hold her back. Chuck is very calm with Sydney, maybe because she is smaller than him or because he is a gentle boy. This summer they have found a special sunbathing spot in the tunnel connecting their house to their outside enclosure.

Milo, Clydie & Amy: Our family of four is now three. As would happen in the wild, Caesar grew up and had to move on to find a girlfriend of his own. Our trio is calmer now but still a happy family. Amy spends time with both Milo and Clydie. When she wants to be outside running around she's with Milo and when she wants quiet time she's with Clydie.

Mickey & Tom moved house and are now living in the squirrel monkey house. With two large bedrooms and a lovely big cage down the woodland walk they are enjoying their new digs. They are active boys but Tom is quite a sensitive soul whereas Mickey is a bruiser, even telling off his neighbours, the squirrel monkeys.

Loki has had a very busy year trying to find a friend. All the marmosets have different personalities and issues as a result of their past. Unfortunately for Loki he hasn't liked any of the marmosets we have introduced to him so far so we are working on finding him the perfect monkey companion.



Ronnie



Pikachu

Lionel & Comet live in our largest marmoset enclosure and make the most of it. They are super active and always running. Comet still thinks he can take on the chimps next door and threatens them whenever they walk past. Lionel is the best hunter, be it the live insects we provide or wild food he finds in his enclosure. He also holds the crown for 'which marmoset can fit the most crickets in their mouth!'

Brass & Evi enjoy the quieter life at the top marmoset house and finally seem to have neighbours they approve of, capuchins! They like to watch the capuchins and one of the ladies 'flirts' with them! They also had a new outside enclosure built for them, with special mesh shade. Due to their colouration and baldness there is a risk of sunburn, so we added some mesh over their enclosure roof to give them dappled sunlight.



Evi



Luna & Caesar are a new pair put together when Caesar left his adopted family. Luna is the boss but Caesar is smitten and even feels the need to protect her from PCS when we offer her food.

Hazel, Solomon & Moon also got an upgrade to their outside enclosure this year and they are loving the extra space, particularly Solomon. The extra height gives them the opportunity to see a lot more of their surroundings. Moon is growing up and can sometimes be a bit annoying, but Hazel is keeping him under control.

Max, James & Jock: Jock is dominant in this trio. Max seems content but gets feisty if maltloaf is involved. James is looking old, and as with most of the marmosets we don't know his correct age, only that he was a mature adult when he arrived in 2012. The boys spent a lot of the summer watching a new neighbour, a wild deer who has taken up residence near their enclosure.

Frank & Douglas: The friendship between these boys has continued to go from strength to strength over the last year. They are a really relaxed pair who enjoy hanging out together, sunbathing, and eating. They have lots of favourite foods including grapes, waxworms and raisins.

Ronnie & Pikachu: Pikachu is continuing to change colour and is almost completely silver. He is the most nervous and shy of our marmosets and tells off PCS even when taking food from them. Ronnie is a nosy neighbour and is always interested in what Frank and Doug, are up to next door.

Tya & Maximillion: Tya wears the trousers in this relationship as she is feisty, quite bossy, and extremely greedy. Max is submissive but devoted to her. They still like to tell off PCS but have lovely play sessions when they think we're not watching.

TAMARINS



Uncas: Sadly Uncas' elderly partner Hawkeye passed away only a short time ago. Having arrived from the pet trade we estimate that Uncas is in his late teens and is also quite old. He is very food orientated and particularly loves insects. He is also interested in any new enrichment items we provide, especially if it contains jam, an occasional treat that he really likes.



Don't Forget
MONKEY LIFE
SERIES
1-10
& Jim's Dream
are available on DVD

DVDs can be purchased from the Monkey World gift shop and online at Amazon, priced at £20 + P&P.

MONKEY LIFE

By Susan Tunstall

Primate Planet Productions

Monkey Life series 11 on Pick!

We hope you have been enjoying the new series of Monkey Life showing at 6pm on Sunday, on Freeview channel Pick. Series 11 is jam-packed with new arrivals including Benny and Nia, the red-bellied guenons and Toprish, a chimpanzee Alison recently rescued from Turkey. There's also been some very sad narratives to cover in this series including the passing of much loved chimpanzee Sally. The new series is on every Sunday until the 13th January.



Filming Benny & Nia's rescue at Beirut airport

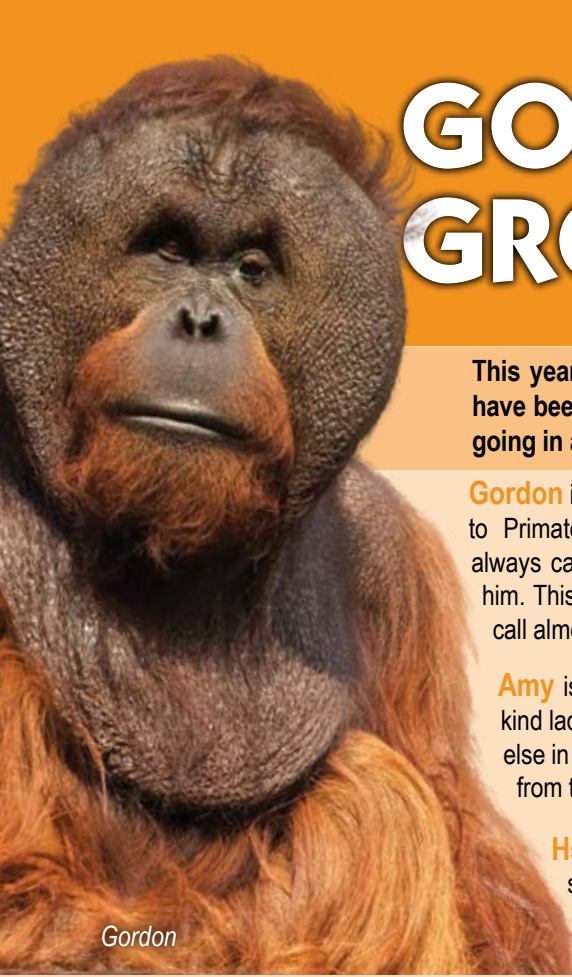
Monkey Life series 12 already in production

Although we have only just finished producing series 11, we have already started filming for series 12! It's great to know that we are able to bring you another series for next year. We will update you on how the filming is going throughout the year.

We enjoy hearing from fans of the show so feel free to get in touch. You can do this by emailing us at info@primateplanet.tv or via our Facebook Page. For more information on the series please visit our website www.primateplanet.tv.

For information or questions related to the Monkey Life TV series, please contact info@primateplanet.tv.





GORDON'S GROUP

By Jarno Swandi

This year Gordon's group has been very settled. All three orang-utans have been great with routines morning and evening and no problems going in and out of the house, most of the time.

Gordon is getting more mature every day and is very kind and gentle to Primate Care Staff. He doesn't like loud noises, so PCS staff are always careful to operate the doors and slides very gently around him. This year his throat pouch has grown larger making his long call almost perfect.

Amy is, despite her age and grumpy face, is an energetic and kind lady. When it comes to food she moves faster than anyone else in the group! When PCS have trouble getting something in from the enclosure, she can be relied upon to help out.

Hsiao-lan is confident around Gordon and Amy, but is still one of the most sensitive orang-utans in the park. Any new routine takes her a while to adjust to, but overall she is very clever – it is good to be cautious and safe.



Amy



Hsiao-lan

BRYAN'S GROUP

By Jeremy Keeling

Sally's passing has obviously had a massive impact on this small family group. I believe the level of this impact was lessened by the fact that Sal was progressively poorly for some days before she finally let go; making her final demise less of a surprise. Initially a period of gloom and uncertainty descended around the house, with everyone seeking reassurance and comfort that I did my best to deliver. This in turn helped with my own feelings.

Only a week had past when inevitably that awful word "power" raised its ugly head above the parapet. **Lulu** had a dispute with **Bryan**, over I know not what, and **Rodders** joined in to chase Bryan off in a fit of hysteria that only chimpanzees can achieve. Bryan rushed to me for support and I carefully offered comfort



Naree Rodders Lulu Ash



Bryan

as a substitute. **Ash** continued with her perpetual hunt for snacks oblivious to any upset, and very soon peace prevailed.

And as we say our goodbyes to one larger than life character, another appeared on the Thai horizon. **Naree** is a truly amazing lady who, so far, is keeping up with everyone. Everyone likes Naree except for Ash who is still acting like a green monster with the new popular girl in town. Hopefully Ash will put her handbag down once she realises that Naree is here to stay.

I know we all have a long way to go to come to terms with our mutual and personal loss, but time is a good healer.... so they say....R.I.P. Sally.

TUAN'S GROUP

By Jarno Swandi

This has been an interesting year for Tuan's group with all the ladies working out their position in the group and everyone enjoying Awan's company.

Tuan is still no.1 man, Dad, and Grandad. His gentle and mature behaviour means that all the ladies adore him. He has enjoyed this long summer chilling out and playing with Awan. Tuan remains a strong individual and we hope he could be a dad again as he is such an excellent role model! #BravoTuan

A-mei is very comfortable around Tuan and always keeps out of the way when it comes to group politics. Sometimes Lucky gives her a hard time, however A-mei moves on very easily and gets on with life. She loves spending time with PCS during training sessions, including getting her nails filed! She is a well behaved and smart girl. #Pedicure

Lucky thinks she is the No.1 lady and PCS think so too! If she could be kinder to the others in the group, they would feel more comfortable around her, and this would make




Tuan


her more respected. She can be a bit mean to some individuals, resulting in them eating and sleeping separately. The tender loving care she shows to Awan is amazing and hopefully in time she will show this side to the whole group. #BehaveLucky

RoRo is very comfortable around Tuan and having Awan in the group with her makes her a lot happier if certain individuals are being mean to her! RoRo is very clever and soft natured which can make her an easy target, however she does not forgive easily. Lucky needs to start to show respect to her elders, RoRo is a grandma now after all! #BeBraveRoRo

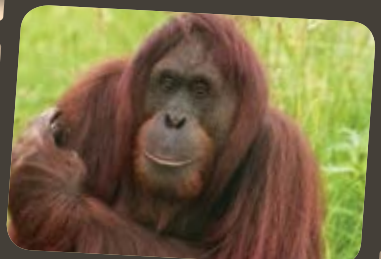
Awan gets lots of attention from the group, they all love and adore her and this makes her a comfortable and confident young lady. Awan is very energetic and smart, however can get a little sensitive, just like her mother Hsiao-lan when it comes to new environments. This summer has made her really happy with never-ending play sessions with Tuan and her aunties. This has made her sleep well in the evenings. #LoveAwan




RoRo



Lucky



A-mei




Awan

SQUIRREL MONKEYS

by Steph Sawyer

Logan's Group

Our smaller group of squirrel monkeys look absolutely fantastic compared with the condition they arrived in last year. All have put on weight, and **Logan** in particular has become a large, impressive male who loves to be outside and keep a watchful eye on the other squirrel monkeys next door. **Lopez** is growing into a handsome young male, and has an extremely cheeky, playful nature. He likes to try and steal the sponge when PCS are cleaning, loves to rub his back against the mesh and demand tickles from PCS, and generally throws himself around the bedrooms like a lunatic, smashing enrichment up and performing for our visitors. **Lucille** is a quieter monkey and was extremely nervous




Logan

when she arrived. Now she is much more confident and always on the lookout for extra treats from the team, and occasionally joining Lopez in trying to steal from PCS! Last thing in the evening she also enjoys a cuddle with Lopez, when his hyperactive nature has worn him out enough to keep still!

Charlie's Group

Charlie's group gained another lady this year, feisty young **Nueve**. Nueve has settled in well after a few false starts during initial introductions and is currently being re-educated about acceptable behaviour from our older girls as she is a bit of a terror! She's a playful, fun-loving monkey and is very fond of the older ladies in the gorup and has a protector in Charlie who keeps a watchful eye on her. At her age she should be starting to mature, but nobody seems to have told her! She still attempts to get on the older girls backs for a lift, from time to time, and will throw the occasional temper tantrum when she's told off for stealing other people's food! **Azzi** is Charlie's favourite and is very affectionate



Charlie

with PCS. She likes to curl up against the mesh of the bedrooms for a tickle and purr at us! She can be a very demanding lady when it comes to food - particularly insects! **Topsy** and **Turvey** are our eldest squirrel monkeys and are fed lots of extra bits and pieces to make sure they are maintaining a healthy weight in their old age. Both take life at a slower pace than the others, particularly Topsy who is beginning to look her age, but both are still very engaged in social interactions, and are keen on foraging for insects in the outside enclosure.

CAPUCHIN UPDATE

By Donna Phillips, Lydia Lowe, Toby Dipple, Rachel Henson & Kate Aldred



Franco's Troop



Mary

It's been a good year for Franco's troop of 15. They are crafty and inquisitive - especially with their sneaky tails! All of the members of the troop are very active and their social bonds are strong - in that they stick together and resolve issues very well. As always, there are tantrums from time to time with younger members.

very good at asserting himself, and unlike Fabion, has the troop's full support.

Lower-ranking male Phillipe is a gentle boy. He keeps to himself and doesn't get involved with group politics, as such he is much loved by all Primate Care Staff. Elvera is one of the lowest ranking females in the troop but is very bold and loves to watch and flirt with our visitors which often makes her last to come to bed at night!

We provide lots of activities throughout the day - particularly with the hot spell this summer, ensuring everyone got iced treats and were well hydrated. We work extra hard to come up with more challenging ways to feed them but they are remarkably intelligent and work things out so quickly that they often outsmart the PCS team! Overall, all members of the troop have shown a lot of maturity this year and have become a well-established troop.

Sonny's Troop



Terri

After years of our 'robustus' females ruling the group, Scrapper (by name and nature!) has decided to challenge their dominance! Despite being one of the smallest she is very spirited and along with feisty duo Tallulah and Tia, as well as male Bruce, has started to antagonise and confront the three 'robustus' ladies. Even Veronica's low-ranking subgroup will occasionally join in! Dominant Lizzy tends to let her loyal sidekicks Dot and Tilly do the dirty work and try and stand their ground. Poor Sonny, who is not the most socially clued up individual, seems bemused and unsure who to side with so often stands in the middle trying to look important! The 'robustus' girls are all in their 30's and starting to show their age, so it

remains to be seen who will come out on top. Terri, who remains the only pet trade capuchin in the group, is regarded as the 'diva', and PCS are often subjected to Terri tantrums when she feels things aren't being done to her liking! She is very active for a 32-year-old, despite mobility issues from her past, and is often seen high up outside. Terri's best friend is Mini, our smallest capuchin, but a big character. Sonny's favourite females are Mole, Jenny and Babs, while Barbara also attracts his attention. He has always had a soft spot for tailless Veronica and is regularly surrounded by four or five very persistent, flirt, pushy ladies. No wonder he appears bewildered at times!

The outside enclosure was rebuilt and extended last winter, with more climbing structures and platforms to explore. This has encouraged some daring feats from monkeys who used to think a foot off the ground was a great height. Flirty Barbara has been seen on the second level of the tallest platform, while many of the females are now experiencing life off the ground.

Gismo's Troop



Maddie

Gismo's group of five may be our smallest but is by no means quiet. After Tau's departure last autumn, Archie stayed with the females. As an elderly male with poor mobility, his condition gradually deteriorated and during the spring we had to make the difficult decision to put him down. Over the following few months, we allowed the four females to adjust, before deciding to move Gismo in. Gismo had lived in Sonny's large group and struggled socially. We were not sure how the 4 girls and Gismo would get on as Ginger, Maddie, Maggie, and Sophia had developed into a tight-knit group that were a handful. Thankfully everyone exceeded expectations. The girls flitted between flirting and aggression, but Gizmo took it in his stride, initiating play and ignoring any screams. They soon realised that they quite liked the new male and have settled down nicely. Maddie is the most playful and we hope she will join Gismo in his antics such as rolling on his back with a big play face. Ginger is a true character, making the most mess squishing her food onto the walls for the PCS to clean up. Sophia is a quiet individual who rarely becomes involved in the politics, unlike the lowest ranking female, Maggie who has taken to teaming up with Gismo to shout at the neighbouring chimps at the end of the day whilst the others are inside eating. From his high vantage point, Gismo can keep an eye on Jeremy's activities as well as his marmoset, gibbon, and chimpanzee neighbours.



Maggie

The Lodge Group

Erico, Shawn and Joey are the younger monkeys at the Lodge and are often seen playing with some of our older individuals. Many of our ex-laboratory animals were born in the wild and are now in their thirties. Marlow is one of these, and although he likes his quiet time in the forest with Abby, he is regularly seen wrestling with Shawn in the playroom after lunch.

We sadly had to say goodbye to Sooty at the beginning of the year, who had a close bond with her daughter Becky and was well known for cleaning the playroom floor with rags and cabbage leaves. She was a much-loved old lady and highly respected by the troop, who benefitted by learning from her expert foraging skills over the years. Becky has since developed an increasingly close friendship with Scarlet, who is one of our best climbers and often seen high up in the trees with Ringo and Binty.

Despite Erico's best efforts he does sometimes have trouble controlling his dominant females, Zoe and Cara, who are very intelligent but sometimes think it's fun to start arguments with the lower ranks. Phoenix is sensible enough to stay out of it most of the time and as such is popular. Caesar and Phoebe, our ex-pet trade monkeys, avoid these confrontations, and are often seen outside watching the public rather than getting too involved in troop politics.

Winslow's Troop



Jane, Fifi & Bruce

Winslow continues to be a very confident dominant male who is admired by all of the ladies. Dominant female Ester is never far behind and watches his every move. They have a very nice friendship and are often seen wrestling together. Dominant females, Daisy, Debbie and Babe, also like to hang out with the main man and make sure he is well groomed. Babe does get told off every now and then when she is in season and ends up annoying him. It never takes too long for her to get over it as she also admires and flirts with Winslow's half-brother Franco in the neighbouring enclosure!

Reclusive, wild caught Jane keeps PCS staff on their toes as she is hard to find on warm summer mornings when she is hanging out in the shrubbery. Molly's "super gang" of five over 30's includes Kiera, Lionie, Pipa, and Pride. These five are feisty, full of character, and don't let age slow them down. Low

rankers Bubbles and Ruby potter about doing their own thing but enjoy the company of Molly's gang and Flo from time-to-time. Both enjoy flirting with Winslow and watching visitors from the over-head tunnel system.

The other two males, Onslow and Norman, have developed some lovely relationships with the females and with Winslow especially when it is time to shout at the other troops or have some male bonding time. Onslow can be bit of a troublemaker but every now and then he is a real hit with Debbie and they love a good play session. Norman continues to be a gentle soul whose friendship with Flo is going strong. Grumpy Joanne enjoys her own company but often seeks back-up from Norman at dinner time to scream at Molly's gang because she can! Mid-ranking Fifi enjoys foraging with Jane and hanging out with both Norman and Onslow. Like many of our females, when in season, her infatuation with Winslow results in lots of squeaking, chasing and several flirt and run behaviours.



Ruby

SPIDER MONKEYS

By Wendy Derham

As every self-respecting spider monkey knows, the only thing to do in the sunshine is to flop out with your belly exposed, moving only as a sunflower would, to maximise your exposure. This summer however we had to encourage our three to spend a little more time in the shadier areas of their tunnel and enclosure as it all got a bit too much! With the help of ice lollies, cool juice drinks, and frozen fruit we tempted them out of that oh so strong sun.

In other news, Pumpkin has a bit of a reputation for quite liking her food...Flint's food...and Hickory's food too! To ensure we know the boys are getting their fair share we have started co-operative feeding sessions with the group twice a day. These sessions allow us to not only ensure the lads get some of the good stuff but will hopefully help Pumpkin realise that it is nice to be nice. So far these sessions are proving a hit with all concerned.



Flint





MONKEY WORLD

THE SAGA CONTINUES

HANANYA'S COMMUNITY

By Hannah Barlow

The group is coping well after the sad loss of female Peggy earlier this year. She, and her son Ben, died as a result of a heart condition that is genetically linked. The rest of the group have enjoyed spending lots of time outdoors during the wonderful warm summer we have had.



Thelma

Hananya, as the dominant male, asserts his position by performing impressive displays across the enclosure. When he does the other chimps know they need to get out of his way! Following a display, it is usual to see other members of the group approach him making pant-grunt vocalisations, a chimp's way of acknowledging who is above them in the hierarchy.

Arfur is easily recognisable with his distinguished grey hair. He remains close to Jess and cries if she has something that he wants, leading to Jess 'giving in' and handing whatever it is over.

Cherri is the ever patient mum and still allows Thelma to ride on her back, even though she is way too big for this now! She also allows Thelma to take a share of her food; however she is starting to stand her ground when it comes to suckling and is starting to push Thelma away, leading to huge tantrums!

Eveline is a big female with a distinctive pant-hoot call. Each chimp has their own unique pant-hoot that they can all recognise each other by; it is even possible for the staff to recognise who is pant-hooting from the

other side of the park. Wild chimps use pant-hoot calls to keep in touch with each other in the forest and to let others know when a good food source has been discovered.

Honey loves to play a game of spinning upside-down on the end of a piece of hosing. It makes us dizzy to watch her, but she clearly has a lot of fun and has a big open-mouthed play-face whilst she does it.

Jess despite being on the contraceptive pill, still gets a sexual swelling occasionally. It is normal for this to happen with some females and Jess has learned to use it to her advantage. When she becomes irresistible Hananya rarely leaves her side! It means she has become one of Hananya's favourites, so she often runs to him for support whenever she needs it.

Johni is a high-ranking female that throws her weight around in the group. She does have a softer side and following Peggy's death, Johni often supported Trudy during skirmishes in the group, chasing away the likes of Valerie and Kuki when they got too much for Trudy.

Kiki has been much better at coming inside in the evening this summer, despite all the good weather, which perhaps indicates that she is feeling much more settled in the group and has found her place in the hierarchy. She appears a confident chimp who knows how to placate alpha male Hananya with a pant-grunt and a submissive bow.

Kuki loves training sessions and is a very intelligent chimp. She is one of the lower-ranking females and isn't the most social of chimps in the group. She does enjoy playing with youngster Thelma.

Marjoline is a real character in the group and tends to act a bit like a sulking teenager. She isn't a big fan of young Thelma and tends to poke her to try and make her go away, often resulting in tantrums.



Hananya

Kuki

Semach

Eveline

Jess

Tutti

Patricia is easy to spot because she usually has a blanket or sheet wrapped over her head and shoulders like a shawl, with just her face peeping out. Like Eveline, Patricia has a very distinctive pant-hoot call and it's easy to recognise her voice when she becomes excited at meal-times.

Semach is the group comedian and always keen to play. He sometimes pushes things too far if the girls don't want to play. The females then seek support from Hananya, who puts Semach in his place, if only for a bit of peace and quiet.

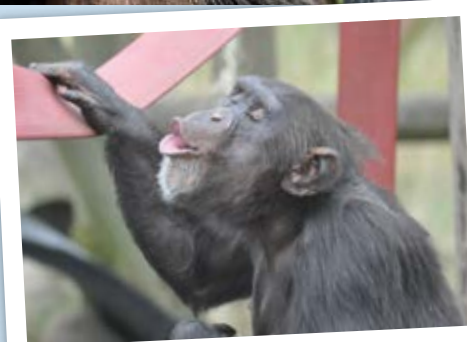
Simon spends a lot of time with Cherri and playing with Thelma, but even he is now starting to discipline Thelma when she pushes things too far. Simon always lets the Primate Care Staff know if there are any sika deer near the enclosure by whimpering and fear-grinning so that we follow him and drive the deer away!

Thelma is growing up fast and lost her first milk tooth at the beginning of September. She's beginning to realise that she cannot get away with quite as much as she used to, and the other chimps are beginning to gently put her in her place!

Trudy despite losing her close friend Peggy this summer, continues to do well in the group and makes sure she gets her fair share of the food at meal times. Trudy has a unique display, which she often does when the care staff are asking her to move through a slide. After her build-up, during which her hair stands on end, she sways from side-to-side, charges at the slide, stops, jumps up and down, and claps her hands several times before charging through.



Trudy

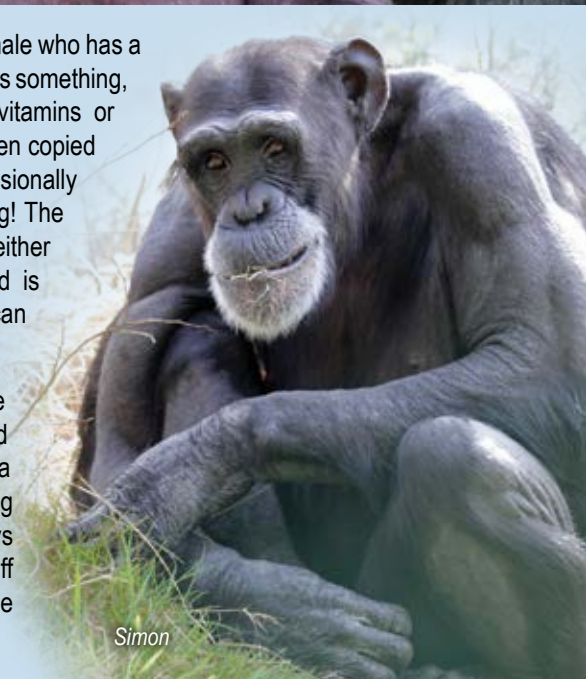


Valerie hooting

Tutti is a quiet female who tends to stay out of trouble. She has a favourite spot outside when a feed is being thrown in from the towers and positions herself near the gorse bushes to get to bits of food that fall amongst them. Most of the other chimps avoid these areas because of the prickles so she doesn't have much competition.

Valerie is an easy-going high-ranking female who has a habit of blowing raspberries when she wants something, for example when PCS are giving out vitamins or drinks. Valerie's raspberry blowing has been copied by Simon, Cherri, Marjoline and occasionally Arfur, so it can become quite exasperating! The raspberry blowing doesn't happen in either group of the pavilion's chimpanzees and is an example of how cultural behaviours can develop in different chimp communities.

Zeynep makes big comfy nests in the evening. She then tucks herself in and completely covers herself over with a blanket or sheet. Zeynep is a low-ranking female, which means she doesn't always get the best bits at feed times, so the staff make sure that she gets extra high-calorie treats to maintain a good body condition.



Simon

LORIS UPDATE

By Steph Sawyer

Nicky & Axl: Nicki and Axl are a content and happy pair. Nicki is a lady with a large appetite and is sometimes up before the lights go out if she thinks breakfast is ready, the rest of our lorises prefer to wait for darkness to fall before getting out of bed. Nicki has become a bit more confident when PCS are around as she never wants to miss an opportunity to scrounge for food! Nicki and Axl have both been put on a diet as they can

plough their way through food like they'll never see it again. Axl is a very nosy boy and always wants to know what PCS are up to. He's very fond of Nicki and keeps a protective eye on her, usually sleeping next to her in a basket at night. Occasionally he sleeps burrowed up in the straw on the floor, right behind the door so PCs can't get in to clean, which is not particularly helpful!



Axl

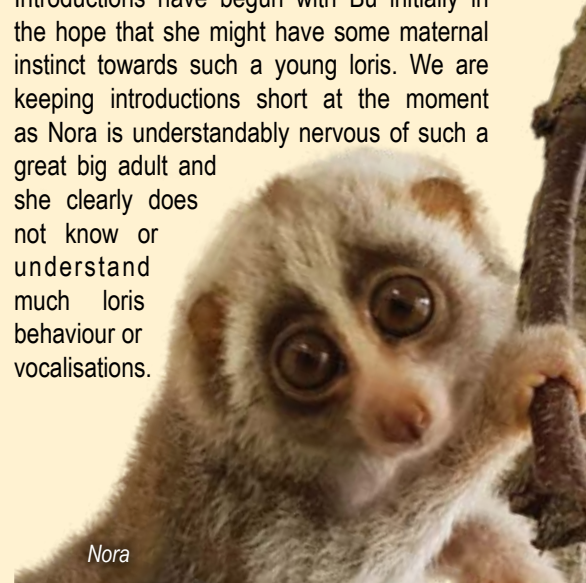
Bu & Bruce: Bruce and Bu are both doing well, and Bruce has now learnt how to read Bu's behaviour as he used to be a little too keen at times and earn himself a telling off! He's a very vocal boy, making soft little clicks at Bu, which is a friendly noise, letting her know he's there if she wants a groom or a play. The pair enjoy large ridiculous play sessions, hanging upside down from the ceiling and wrestling. We see this all the time on the CCTV cameras but if PCS enter the house they stop immediately as they can't possibly be seen to be so undignified!

Nora: Our newest little loris, has settled in really well and has already gained weight and grown a little. Nora stole PCS's hearts right from the start and is a very inquisitive little thing, not nervous of people at all. She loves insects, particularly locusts and often has to be bribed away from the door so that PCS can get in to put food out as she's straight over as soon as we arrive to see if we



Bu

have anything nice for her! We're so glad that Animals Lebanon were able to rescue her before she was sold and condemned to a life of misery, and we're hopeful we will be able to integrate her with one of our loris pairs. Introductions have begun with Bu initially in the hope that she might have some maternal instinct towards such a young loris. We are keeping introductions short at the moment as Nora is understandably nervous of such a great big adult and she clearly does not know or understand much loris behaviour or vocalisations.

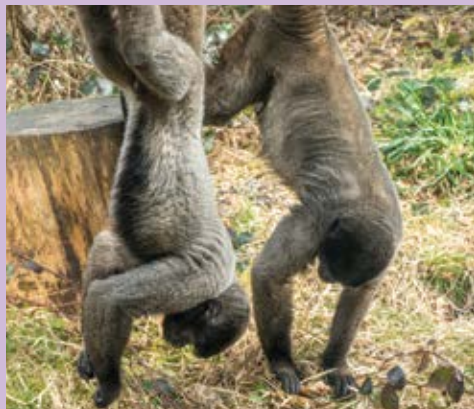


Nora

WOOLLY MONKEY UPDATE

By Emily Wren

Levar's Group



Eva and Carlos

Levar's group have had a busy year. It became clear to PCS that there was growing tension between dominant male Levar and adolescent male **Mani**. Mani has doubled in size and now looks like a very impressive male. However, this growth in his muscles also led to a growth in his confidence and he started to challenge Levar for dominance. Levar is one of our oldest woolly monkeys and at 28 he couldn't keep up or compete with the new feisty youngster. It was decided the best thing for both males would be to spilt them up permanently, and allow Levar to enjoy his OAP years in peace. Luckily for us the house lends itself to having two groups living side by side, with large indoor space

and two outside enclosures. The rest of the group then rotate each day to spend equal time with both males throughout the week. Levar is much happier and enjoys taking life at a slightly slower pace. He is adored by all and can often be seen walking around the enclosures with his fan club following on behind, and although he's taking life slower, he has still managed to father two babies this year!

In March **Xingu** gave birth to **Layla**, and the pair are doing extremely well. Xingu is a dominant and strong-willed lady who likes to put the younger boys in their place and show them who's boss. She has been a perfect mum to Layla, who is one of the most confident babies we've seen in recent years, coming off Xingu's back at an early stage. Big sister **Olivia** struggled with the new arrival as it meant she no longer had mum's full focus and would often have tantrums. However, now Layla is big enough to interact properly with Olivia she's decided that she actually makes a great friend and playmate. In June **Eva** had her first baby, little **Lemmy**. As a young, first time mum it was a nervous wait to see how Eva would cope but she has been brilliant and taken to motherhood very well. Eva is a very caring

and gentle lady both she and Lemmy have a very close bond. Lemmy is getting more adventurous by the day and keeping Eva on her toes.

Bueno Junior remains the class clown of the group and enjoys interacting with the babies giving them big snuffles whenever he can. He enjoys playing with the other boys and he and **Carlos** often team up to sneak up on Levar to persuade him to play. **Cosmo** has also come on leaps and bounds this year and has developed some really nice relationships within the group. His closest companion is Mani who looks out for him and encourages him with new challenges. Cosmo now goes outside and enjoys both the cage enclosure and the big forest and is learning what life up in the treetops is all about.



Paulo



Bueno Jr

Paulo's Group

Paulo is doing well as the leader of his group but can lack tact and dignity sometimes and clearly thinks he's just a big kid at times. **Enzo** has struggled throughout the year to find his place within the group. Being up against boisterous Paulo has proved tough on him at times and resulted in a lack of confidence. PCS have worked closely with the group and Enzo individually to build his confidence back up. The group were also lucky enough to have their pond enclosure completely revamped earlier in the year with new climbing frames, hosing and platforms helping the woollies to really make the most of all the space on offer to



Oriana

them. This also meant that Enzo and Paulo have plenty of time and space away from each other if they want it.

Pacaja enjoys life as the only adult female in the group as it means she has no competition for the males attention, and currently has her sights firmly fixed on Enzo! Pacaja's youngest, **Claud**, is very energetic and independent, just like mum, and tries to throw his weight around, even bullying older sister **Oriana** at times! Oriana is a quieter individual, but she enjoys foraging around in the long grass in the big pond enclosure, and likes to have some quality mother and daughter time when younger brother Claud will allow it.



Enzo



Layla

Quapa

Xingu

Chippy

Claude



Cassius & Piquita

Chippy's Group

Chippy's group is doing really well together. Chippy is our most impressive dominant male and is a wonderful family man, dividing his time between all the females, and also finding time for full on play sessions with the youngsters when he's feeling silly enough! **Xavi** has spent this past year learning the

role of an adolescent male within the group, which has come with its ups and downs. He stays out of Chippy's way to make it clear that he poses no threat, but remains close with all the ladies in the group and his fellow playmate **Cassius**. Cassius has blossomed over the past year into a very cheeky and lively chap. He's always on the go and loves to tempt big man Chippy into a play session and have a wrestle session with Xavi, before heading back to mum **Piquita** for some TLC.

Piquita has always been confident and dominating but has managed to sit back and relax more this past year as the females have found an equilibrium between themselves which means she no longer needs to throw her weight around. **Ayla** remains close to her mum and younger brother Cassius, and when it's time for a

snooze the trio can normally be seen curled up together. **Quapa** is the oldest member of the group. She is very protective of her family, and has a close relationship with Cassius who she will even indulge in carrying once in a while if he is feeling lazy! She can be stropky if she doesn't get what she wants, when she wants it, but deep down she has a loving nature and has built brilliant relationships with all the individuals in her troop.

Cassius



STUMP-TAILED MACAQUES

by Sharon Perry

Life has certainly been far more dynamic since Toto and Freddie joined our stumpy troop.

Both boys still spend a lot of time on the periphery but do have quality time with some members of the group. **Toto** has become popular with the ladies and with those dashing good looks who can blame them! **Sylvie** is particularly fond of him until food is involved and then she quickly prioritises her stomach. **Floh** often hangs out with the new boys and is enjoying the fact she is no longer the lowest ranking member of the group. She loves nothing more than chasing Toto off around the enclosure, but often regrets

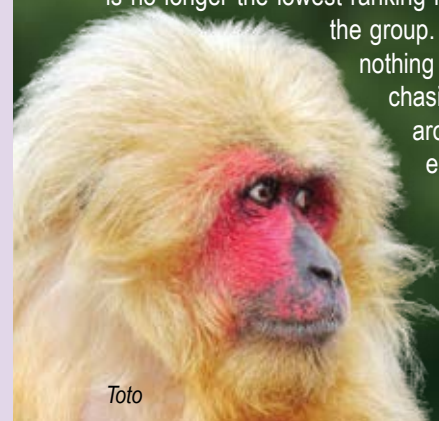
it later, she is no spring chicken after all! **Freddie** has more advanced social skills than Toto and knows how to deal with tense situations. He is generally more accepted and tolerated, but he sticks with his pal Toto, a true loyal friend.

Sam turns a blind eye when the girls visit Toto except when **Noreen** is involved. He won't let her out of his sight. Sam isn't making too much of a point of putting Toto in his place but can be seen doing displays from time to time and often makes a point of sitting close by surrounded by his hareem of ladies, showing he is still the boss. The majority of the group were still struggling with their weight, so an adjustment to the diet has seen a steady drop in the weight of the chunkier individuals. This has helped **Charley**, whose weight was affecting her mobility due to a hip condition.

Our stumpy house is not so different from a retirement home. A lot of our guys are in their golden years, and it is starting to show in some more than others. Sadly, we

had to say goodbye to two elderly members of the group this year, **Maureen** and **Jonathan**, who were quite close. She had an un-operable tumour and he passed as a result of multi-organ failure. We all miss their feisty characters terribly.

Dominant ladies **Kelly** and **Noreen** are still running a tight ship. Kelly is a little more diplomatic than Noreen, who can be a little harsh on lower ranking individuals at times. The stumpies may not show a lot of love to their keepers, but still remain a favourite, and everyone who meets them falls in love with them and their unique beauty.



Toto



Kelly

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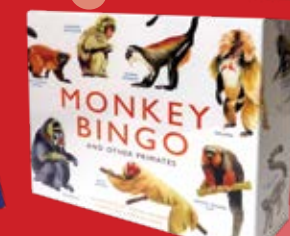
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THE BACHELOR BOYS

By Hannah Barlow



Pacito

Butch has taken a step back from being the alpha male but he is still a well-respected high-ranking member of the group. His high status doesn't mean that he is serious though, he can often be seen playing with other members of the group and he has an infectious laugh!

Buxom is currently Paco's number two and they can often be seen grooming or playing together. They make a formidable team, along with Jestah, Buxom's half-brother.

Çarli is very particular about his food, he has clear favourites such as banana and carrots, but he's not always keen on things like celery. Despite being a low-ranking male Çarli makes sure he gets his share of his favourites.

Freddy is a low-ranking male and is often seen with close friend Seamus. They spend a lot of time together grooming, which is one of the ways that chimps reinforce alliances and friendships.

Gypsy can be very political within the group, making sure that he builds alliances with those who can look out for him. He spends a lot of time grooming and started to get a build-up of hair in-between his teeth and gums so PCS started brushing his teeth to remove any clumps of hair. Gypsy enjoys the training sessions and is always eager to have his teeth cleaned!

Jestah is Buxom's half-brother and close ally. He sometimes get jealous of Buxom's close relationship with Paco which leads to tantrums and Jestah chasing Paco around the enclosure.

Jimmy has had a quiet year, keeping to himself and occasionally choosing to stay outside overnight, particularly when Cindy started staying outside at night following the installation of the new tunnel next door.

Kyko is a quiet, gentle individual who enjoys grooming sessions with other members of his group. He also enjoys rough and tumble play however and has recently been sharing a lot of play-time with high-ranking male Butch.

Mojo is a middle ranking male and can often be seen running to the defence of the lower rankers. But when the big boys aren't around he makes sure that those lower-rankers know that he's in charge!

Pacito loves socks and is rarely seen without one. He even cries if he drops his beloved sock out of reach, hoping to attract the attention of a member of the PCS so that they can return it to him!

Paco is the highest-ranking male in the group and sometimes annoys the others with his displays up in the climbing frame, leading



Butch



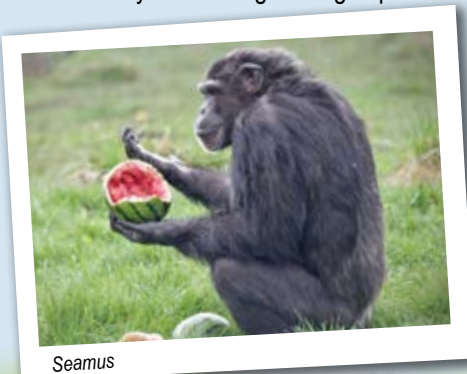
Jimmy

to them all chasing him around the enclosure. Paco is usually a quiet laid-back chimp but he always asserts his dominance when it comes to food. PCS have worked hard on getting him to sit calmly and rewarding him for allowing others to receive food items.

Rocky sits in the middle of the group hierarchy. He tends to stay out of trouble, but that doesn't mean he won't stand up for himself when he needs to.

Sammy is a big lovable chimp and a favourite with many in the park. He is medium to high-ranking in the group and manages to beat the competition when it comes to getting to his favourite foods.

Seamus is approaching his 20th birthday in March and continues to play the baby of the group when he gets into trouble, especially with Butch! He is close to Freddy and they are both relatively low-ranking in the group.



Seamus



Çarli

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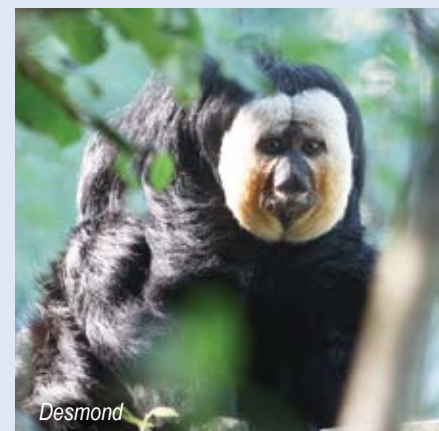
Paco

SAKI MONKEY UPDATE

By Steph Sawyer



Chloe



Desmond

Chloe, our female saki, had quite a few changes over the past few months with a move to a new enclosure and the arrival of two new males from Shaldon Wildlife park. Desmond and Tutu settled in well, but we knew from the start that Tutu had very serious medical issues. PCS monitored his

condition and mobility closely and had to put up extra branches in the enclosure to make it easy for him to get around. It became clear that he had difficulty seeing or processing information from his eyes and had very poor control over his legs. Our vets examined Tutu and found that his spine had a very bad curve, which accounted for the problem with his legs, and that he was blind in one eye. As Tutu was losing control of his legs, there was nothing to be done for his deformed spine, and as the condition was progressing we made the difficult decision to put Tutu to sleep. It was nice to see that in his last few weeks he loved spending time with his Dad and Chloe and sunbathing on the platforms in the outside enclosure whenever possible.

Desmond has been fine following the loss of his son and has turned his focus

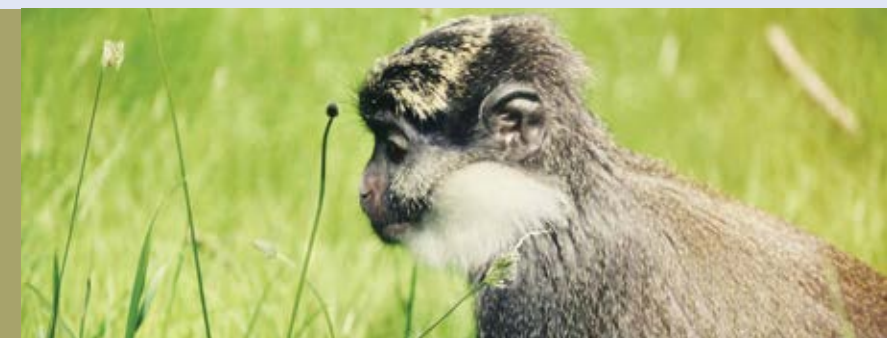
to Chloe. Desmond is an impressive male, who performs magnificent leaps around the enclosure and Chloe has been basking in his attention and the pair enjoy lengthy grooming sessions together. Desmond and Chloe, our new saki couple are very happy together.



Desmond & Chloe

GUENON HOUSE

By Claire Faichney



In May this year the park welcomed a new species with the arrival of Benny and Nia, two red-bellied guenons.

The pair have settled in really well and their condition has greatly improved. They have

been enjoying life in their outside enclosure, climbing to the tops of the trees to eat all the fresh browse, foraging for insects in the long grass, or springing and bouncing around with each other in play time before settling down for a grooming session on one of the platforms.

Living with the guenons is our odd couple, George and Mica, who are both continuing to do really well. George potters along enjoying life at his own pace with his best friend and bodyguard Mica. Being in a new, larger enclosure has encouraged the pair to be more active and they both enjoyed the warm summer days sunbathing. Mica remains very loyal and protective over George and has her hands full making sure the cheeky guenons don't come too near or cause him any upset. Nia is the most mischievous trying to wind Mica up from time to time,

whilst Benny is much more reserved and prefers to just be a spectator to the antics. Although an odd mixture of primates living together, it is working very well and they are all thriving in their new environment.



Nia

GIBBON UPDATE

By Cat Talbot
& Laura Edgeley



Peanut

Golden-cheeked Gibbons

Alex Last year Alex was diagnosed with diabetes which we initially managed with diet & tablets. She now receives daily insulin injections which she takes really well but only from a 'very' select group of her favourite PCS. She is looking much more like her old self and seems to really enjoy life.

Jake & Zoey This year the pair moved back to their original house at the top of the park. To the pair's delight a new fun and high enclosure awaited them! It's been brilliant to see the pair just having the best time exploring and making use of the highest points to battle the other gibbons at 'who can sing the loudest'!

Tien & Kim This year has been another year of just pure love for these two; they still adore each other and are always together! Regular visitors and PCS always look out for these two cuddling up high in the trees or in the window waiting for dinner.

Peanut & Pung-yo Since all the kids have grown & moved out Peanut & Pung-yo have gotten so much closer & now really enjoy lots of cuddles & grooming with each other. PCS recently saw them playing together which is a rare treat.

Tito & Vietta Vietta always shows up for talk time & makes sure everyone gets a chance to see how beautiful she is. Tito regularly turns up too but not if it's too hot or raining. A great couple who have had a fairly uneventful year.

Zak & Teo The two bachelor boys are now living separately as they are fully mature & need their own space. They have very different personalities; Zak is quite a serious chap & very independent, whereas Teo is all about fun & can rival Paul with his goofy antics sometimes. They do remain friends though & sometimes hold hands or play through the mesh.

Siamang Gibbons



Sam & Sasak This year has been pretty settled for the pair; they still absolutely love each other's company and the intense grooming sessions are one of the pair's favourite activities. Sam and Sasak still, unlike the other noisy gibbons, sing once a day but put on one big show for everyone to see how amazing they are. They definitely win 'who can sing the loudest'.



Teo

Muellers, Agile & Lar Gibbons

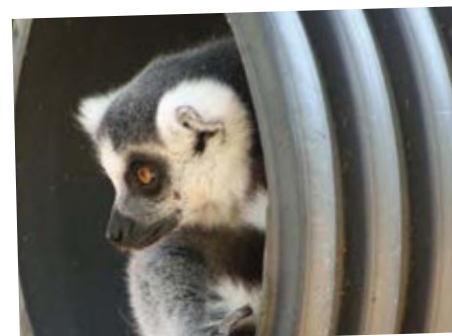
Paul & Kitty Kitty had us all rather worried this year as she lost lots of weight & her coat condition changed dramatically. After a barrage of tests, it looks like her liver was to blame and the simple addition of milk thistle to her diet has her on the road to recovery. Paul has carried on as normal throughout it all with his goofy antics & is happy to have Kitty more willing to play.



Fox & Ella Ella is getting older and likes to take life at a slower pace these days, while Fox still has an energetic, mischievous nature. They both still really enjoy sunbathing & wrestling accompanied with lots of laughter.

MALAGASY LEMURS

by Sian Evans



Fennel

Whilst **Fennel** continues to be the dominant female of the troop, the male hierarchy has not been so stable. Indiana had stood as the leading male for almost a decade with the support of his twin brother **Cirrius**. However, over recent months there has been a major shift in power. Our youngest boys **Kurt** and **Friedrich** made a bid for the top positions and, displaying their drive and determination, they succeeded in ousting Indiana off his throne. Without the support from his brother, **Indiana** has settled into

a mid-ranking position, leaving behind all the stresses that came with leadership. We are still unsure as to who will eventually succeed as the dominant male. Day by day we are seeing conflicting challenges from multiple males. As it stands, **Cirrius** continues to remain a strong and caring individual to everyone. **Renton** and **Himal** have become livelier, either initiating or taking part in challenges when opportunities arise. **Whitespot** and **Houdini** remain at the bottom of the hierarchy. As as our oldest boys, they are trying to stay out of trouble and enjoy a more peaceful existence. Whereas **Al**, our newest arrival in the troop, has flourished over recent months. Whilst all the drama has been unfolding, Al has taken it upon himself to be there for whomever has needed a friend as well as remaining close friends with **Kaiyah** our playful female. Despite the daily 'stink' fights, there has been ample time this year for the lemurs to enjoy themselves. With the Malagasy enclosure in full bloom, the troop has been



Kurt

foraging high and low for delicious treats. The summer heat also allowed for plenty of sun worshipping, afternoon siestas and group grooming sessions in the beautiful sunshine.



Friedrich

