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Despite the ups and downs of 2018 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 Freads and thanks to all of you who took the time to write to them and your MPs. Let’s hope that the government can be persuaded to do it without you.

_Thank you Freeads and thanks to all the supporters of the STAMP campaign in any small way you can put a ban in place in August 2018 and now block all adverts for primates as pets. 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._

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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.

Going through Sally’s childhood photos was tough, but it brought back all a 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 Phyllis 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.

_Claire Cronin_

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**APE RESCUE CHRONICLE**

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**SPECIAL FEATURE**

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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.

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Naree, along with the other animals, was in a cage and had already been undressed. Her body 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.

Once we arrived home it was apparent what a truly remarkable 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.

We all love Naree. After all these years, welcome home!
CINDY’S…OR SOON TO BE BART’S COMMUNITY

By Hannah Barlow

At the Templar 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.

BART’S COMMUNITY

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. Forming close alliances with the rest of the group at night. PCS are working on creating a treatment plan for his type 1 diabetes.

Recent attempts to get PCS to play chase up and down the fence-line. Cathy has been very co-operative and moved very close to her. Last year, she allowed the slides to be closed, she would shut the slides! She soon realised that if she got one of the other chimps to join in, she would be able to win over Bulu Mata. Silvestre is a high-ranking female with a lot of strength to the ladies. He sometimes shows his naughty side and likes to be very cheeky to his house mates and PCS alike.

Cindy is a high-ranking female in the group 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!

Peppe is a lower ranking female who forages for leftovers by the fence following the chimpanzee talk. Peppe 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 in the group.

ORANG-UTAN CRÈCHE 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!

He has had full contact introductions with Micky, Peppe, 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.

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 tried to relax by sitting in her sunny spot whenever she gets the chance.

Toprish grooming Beth
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.

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 outside enclosure.

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, Caeser 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 Clydie 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.

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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.

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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.

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 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! #BraveRoRo

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 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 group 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 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.

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 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!

This year 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
Franco’s Troop

It’s been a good year for Franco’s troop of 15. They are crafty and inquisitive - especially with 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.

Franco has been firmly in charge and is growing into a handsome chap. He loves time to time with younger members. As some of the females are now in their 30’s and starting to show their age, so it needs to look important! The ‘robustus’ girls are all in with so often stands in the middle trying to look important. Despite being one of the smallest she is very persistent, flirty, pushy ladies. No wonder he has always had a soft spot for tailless Veronica who used to think a foot off the ground was a nightmare.

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 foraging skills over the years. Becky has since developed a very good at asserting himself, and unlike Fabion, has the troop’s full support. Lower-ranking male Phillip 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 ice 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

Sonny’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 was struggling socially. We were not sure how the 4 girls and Gismo would get on as Ginger, Maddy, Maggie and Sophia had developed into a tight-knit group that were a handful. Thankfully everyone exceeded expectations. The girls fitted between fighting and aggression, but Gismo 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. Maddy 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 mass squashing 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.

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The Lodge Group

Fifi enjoys foraging with some of our older individuals. Marlow continues to be a very confident dominant male who is admired by all of the ladies. Dominant female Esten is never far behind and watches his every move. They have a very nice relationship 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 long for her to get over it as she also admires and flirts with Winslow’s half-brother Franco in the neighbouring enclosure!

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SPIDER MONKEYS

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In other news, Pumpkin has a bit of a reputation for quite liking her food…Flint’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 for these sessions are proving a hit with all concerned.
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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.

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 whispering 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 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.

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 Cherri if she has something that he wants, heading 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-hoo call. Each chimp has their own unique pant-hood 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-hood 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 hoseing. 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.

Kuki 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. She sways from side-to-side, charges at the ceiling and wrestling.

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.

LORIS UPDATE

By Steph Sawyer

Nicky & Axl: Nicky and Axl are a content and happy pair. Nicky 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 loris prefer to wait for darkness to fall before getting out of bed. Nicky has become a bit more confident when PCS are around as she never wants to miss an opportunity to scrounge for food!

Nicky and Axl have both been put on a diet as they can plough their way through food like they’ve never seen it before. Axl is a very nosy boy and always wants to know what PCS are up to. He’s very fond of Nicky 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!

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 braved from the food so that PCS can get in to put food out as she’s straight over as soon as we arrive to see if we 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.
Levar’s Group

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 musculature 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 with the new feisty youngster. It was obvious that the best thing for both males would be for them to compete with the new feisty youngster. It was clear that the best thing for both males would be for them to compete with the new feisty youngster.

In March Xuigu gave birth to Layla. Enzo 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 given birth to a new baby 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 trees is all about.

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. Cosmo 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 harem 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 Cassius whose weight was affecting her mobility due to a hip condition.

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 each other but they have a strong bond and everyone who meets them falls in love with them and their unique beauty.
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THE BACHELOR BOYS

By Hannah Barlow

Sammy and he has an infectious laugh! Playing with other members of the group he is serious though, he can often be seen respecting high-ranking member of the group when he needs to. But that doesn’t mean he won’t stand up for himself when he needs to.

Jestah is Buxom’s half-brother and close ally. He sometimes gets 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 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.

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!

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 bananas 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.

SAKI MONKEY UPDATE

By Steph Sawyer

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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.

GUENON HOUSE

By Claire Faichney

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GIBBON UPDATE

By Cat Talbot & Laura Edgeley

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 & Zoe This year the pair moved back to their original house at the top of the park. To the pair’s delight a new fun tunnel system. Whereas Dalumie likes to let being outside particularly high up in the trees or in the window waiting for dinner.

Zak & Teo The two bachelor boys are now living separately as they are trying to stay out of trouble and enjoy a more peaceful existence. As our oldest boys, they are trying to stay out of trouble and enjoy a more peaceful existence. They both still really enjoy sunbathing & wrestling accompanied with lots of laughter.

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.

Siamang Gibbons

Peanut & Pung-yo Since all the kids have grown & moved out Peanut & Pung-yo have gotten so much doper & 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 settled year.

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’.

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.

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