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The “Great Ape”-eal

SUMMER!

To help us reduce our shopping bill at this difficult time, we'd really appreciate donations of fresh fruit, vegetables, pulses and supplements through supermarket deliveries. Please follow the link www.monkeyworld.org/support-us/donations-and-appeals/. These are hard times for us all, and we appreciate your support.

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Fruit

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Kongs (all sizes)
Feeding Balls
& Cubes

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 on the left, 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 **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?!

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-



Your donations have been a big help during this difficult time, thank you!

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.

Amazon Wish List

If you are further afield, but would still like to help, we update our Amazon wishlist regularly with all the items needed at the park. These range from insects and seeds for our small monkeys, to nuts and kongs for the apes. Items purchased from our wishlist are delivered directly to the park, so please remember to include your contact details in the Gift Note section, so that we can let you know your goodies have arrived safely.

Thank you!

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KALU MAKES IT TO MONKEY WORLD – BETTER LATE THAN NEVER

By Hannah Barlow & Alison Cronin

Over the summer of 2019 we were contacted and asked if we could give a home to a 35+ year old chimpanzee that had been kept as a pet all of her life.



Patricia Cavendish-O'Neil & Kalu



Entrance to Broadlands Farm

Her name was Kalu. She was born in the wild in the former Zaire (Democratic Republic of Congo) and as a baby was found tied up outside of an embassy when the country was collapsing into civil war. Kalu was taken to South Africa where she became a pet and lived on a racehorse stud farm with a variety of animals. Kalu's story is the same as so many of our rescued chimpanzees – as soon as she reached adolescence, she became too big to control, unpredictable, and potentially dangerous to anyone other than her owner. An enclosure and shelter were built for Kalu where she has lived for the past few decades. Since being taken from her family, as a baby in the wild, Kalu had never been with other chimpanzees although she has lived with either a pig or a goat over the years.



Kalu with a goat on the farm



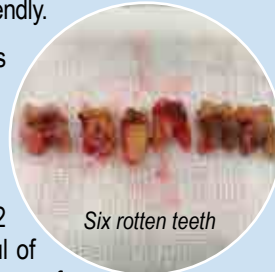
Alison Cronin & Jeremy Keeling from Monkey World flew to South Africa to oversee Kalu's transport



Kalu was transported in the cargo hold of a passenger flight

transport box. Nothing went to plan but we did get Kalu into her transport box following a quick health check and were surprised to find that the opinionated, aggressive lady that we had first met in the enclosure was now calm, reasonable, and even friendly.

The good news was that Kalu took the long journey in her stride but sadly her health check showed that she had serious Type 2 diabetes and a mouthful of rotten teeth. Clearly years of processed food and treats had taken its toll. After a couple of weeks settling into life in Bryan's house, we had John back in to remove six rotten teeth. Not only has Kalu had to deal with a change in lifestyle, going from living alone to being part of a chimpanzee family, but it was critical she got used to a healthy, balanced diet to stabilise her dangerously high blood sugar. She is a picky eater and wasn't keen on the fresh vegetables we were offering at first, but she is coming around. She also has a habit of very neatly eating foods like tomato, cucumber and apple but leaving the skins behind. She is slimmer than we would



Six rotten teeth



More than 30 years of treats left Kalu with rotten teeth and diabetes

like her to be, so her diet is critical – she needs foods like chicken and avocado that are high in protein and fats to help her gain weight, while avoiding foods that are high in sugars and/or refined carbohydrates.

As well as providing a carefully balanced diet, the Primate Care Staff (PCS) have worked hard on Kalu's training. Despite no prior experience of positive reinforcement training, Kalu has proved to be a smart cookie! She quickly learned how to present her fingers and toes to allow PCS to check her blood glucose levels, not just once but twice a day, and now she is even taking insulin injections as we find the right balance of medications for her.

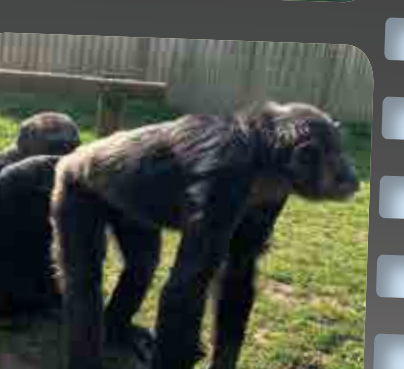
Kalu has now met everyone in Bryan's group. She adores Bryan, has a reasonably good relationship with Naree, and is happy to see Lulu from time to time. She joins in with everyone when they pant hoot, but we are seeing the psychological and social impact of so many years without contact of other chimps. Sadly, Kalu seems to know very little about chimp social etiquette; she is happy to be groomed, but is rarely seen grooming others, she is not very playful, and she objects

to Rodders' boisterous behaviour even when he is inviting her to play. For now, she seems to prefer to just be in the company of others, without necessarily having to interact with them. Both Rodders and Ash were scared of Kalu to begin with, but since meeting her, both have attempted to have more friendly interactions by holding their hands out to her or attempting to groom her. Kalu's aloof attitude is frustrating as they cannot understand why she is not reacting like a 'normal' chimpanzee to their friendly advances. She has however, only been with us for five months, so considering that she has not been with other chimps since she was stolen from the wild over 35 years ago, she is doing pretty well! We are spending lots of time using cooperative feeding so Kalu sits alongside either Rodders or Ash and we will start letting her spend the night with Bryan and Naree so that she is with other chimpanzees around the clock. Hopefully, given time, patience and gentle encouragement, Kalu will learn how to 'speak chimpanzee', start to join in with the others, and enjoy social interactions with her new family.



Kalu with Naree & Bryan in the playroom

Kalu and Naree enjoy ice lollies on a hot day



DALUMIE MEETS NINI AND HOUSE SWAPS FOR OTHERS

By Cat Talbot

Our Mueller's gibbons, Adidas and Dalumie, both arrived at the park in 2001. Adidas did not cope well with our visitors, especially younger children, so they were moved to a private part of the park where they shared many happy years together.

Sadly Adidas died after a brief illness leaving Dalumie and Primate Care Staff (PCS) shocked and devastated with his sudden loss. The best plan for Dalumie was to get her another mate as soon as possible and Nini was the obvious choice. Nini is also a Mueller's gibbon who has largely lived a bachelor life. He lived with Fox for some years but the bachelor relationship didn't work out long term.

The best building for Dalumie & Nini to meet was our gibbon complex where both would have an outdoor enclosure until they were finally together as a pair.

At the same time we were moving golden-cheeked gibbons Jake & Zoey down to the gibbon complex and, in order to spread out all of our golden-cheeked pairs, we chose to move Tito & Vietta to Dalumie's old house in our private area. The final piece of the puzzle was moving Fox & Ella, our Mueller's/Lar pair, down to the stump-tailed macaque house with their own enclosure.



Dalumie

Nini



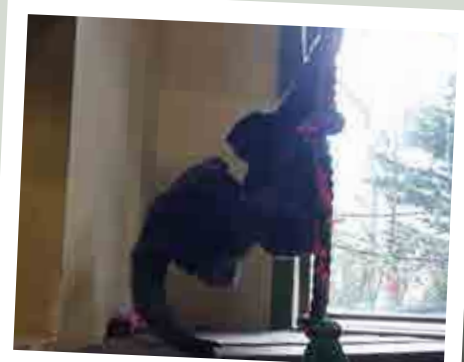
Dalumie walked into her transport box

After three weeks of daily introduction, Nini sat still when Dalumie touched him. She started trying to instigate play and after several attempts, Nini finally understood and they had a full on wrestle, both laughing and really enjoying it. PCS were moved to tears to see Dalumie happy again and Nini finally having someone to share his life and pair bond.

With a little bit of training all seven gibbons went willingly into a travel box making for a smooth transition. Tito & Vietta, Fox & Ella, and Jake & Zoey all settled quickly into their new home and seem to enjoy their new neighbours & surroundings.

Dalumie also took the move in her stride and was curious about the handsome man next to her.

The feeling was mutual and Nini couldn't take his eyes off her. First they had mesh contact, where they both showed interest in each other so we opened the slide. Nini has not had much to do with female gibbons before so we were all nervous as he approached her, while Dalumie just sat calmly. As he got close, he launched at her slapping and kicking, and learned the hard way that you don't mess with ladies. Dalumie is no shrinking violet, defended herself well, and sent him off to rethink. Nini then became very curious but timid, running away every time she moved towards him.



Nini & Dalumie playing



Vietta & Tito

Fox & Ella in their new home

JIN MOVES HOME AND FINDS LOVE

By Cara Buckley

Jin was born at Monkey World in 2009 and spent the last few years living happily with the other youngsters in our orang-utan nursery.

In 2019 Jin started to develop rapidly and the wild play sessions between him and Silvestre became more aggressive. It was decided that Jin would move to Wingham Wildlife Park to live with a female orang-utan named Molly.

Our maintenance team installed a large crate at the end of the external tunnel system and the PCS began daily training sessions to de-sensitise Jin to his transport crate. Jin responded well and was happy to take some time out from the nursery antics to engage in daily training sessions. Before long he was willingly entering the crate and allowing staff to shut the slide.

On the morning of November 13th, Jin happily walked into his travel box as planned. It was an emotional day for everyone, many of whom had worked with Jin since he was an infant. He was given a light sedative to keep him calm on the journey and the crate was fork-lifted into the back of a transport van. The owner and curator from Wingham had travelled down two days before to see Jin at Monkey World prior to the move. Myself and Nic Dunn, head of Primate Welfare & Conservation, drove the Monkey World van in convoy with the guys from Wingham and set off on the three hour drive to his new home in Kent. We stopped at a service station on route to check on Jin and to give him some fluids.

On arrival at Wingham, Jin was keen to leave the crate and was transferred into the bedroom area of their brand new orang-utan facility. Jin was calm, keen to explore his new surroundings and happily took food and fluids from the orang-utan staff. He quickly became aware that there was another orang-utan in the house so we let him have access to one of the large play-areas. He immediately spotted Molly in the adjacent room. Not wanting Jin to get too frustrated, we let him through to say hello to his new lady. He was smitten but Molly initially played hard to get! We left them together for a while but decided to separate overnight to give Molly a break from Jin's amorous behaviour!

The next morning we reunited the pair over breakfast and as the day progressed they became closer – sitting together and even sharing food. Nic and I spoke to the keepers about Jin's routine at Monkey World, his likes and dislikes and showed them some of his operative conditioning behaviours. We continue to receive regular updates from Wingham and we are so happy to hear that the pair are inseparable and enjoying their large outside enclosure.



Jin walked into his transport box at the orang-utan nursery



Jin in his transport box was gently placed in the van



Jin & Molly's new enclosure at Wingham



Jin & Molly are now inseparable



WOOLLY ARRIVALS & A NEW BACHELOR GROUP

By Sharon Perry & Alison Cronin

Over the past few months a lot has changed in our three woolly groups. It was time to move a few people around, make space for a new arrival, and create a fourth group! Don't worry, all is well in Chippy's and Enzo's troops and you will hear more about them later in the year.



Pichihua

Levar's Woolly Group:

Woolly monkey Pichihua is 11 years old and came to us at the end of last year when her partner sadly passed away at Gaia Zoo in the Netherlands. When she first arrived, we were starting to move individuals between groups so Pichihua had to wait a while until we were able to introduce her to Levar's group. When the day came, she fell in love with Levar and the feeling was mutual. Pichihua also made friends very quickly with Olivia.

The only other adult female in the group is Xingu, and she had just given birth to a little boy we have named Leroy, so we wanted to wait a few days before introducing the two ladies together. Xingu is a placid lady, and within minutes of the door opening she greeted Pichihua and allowed her to say hello to the

tiny baby! Layla, Xingu's younger daughter, soon joined in with Olivia and three-year-old Cosmo playing games with the new arrival. Everyone was smitten.



Xingu with baby Leroy & Layla

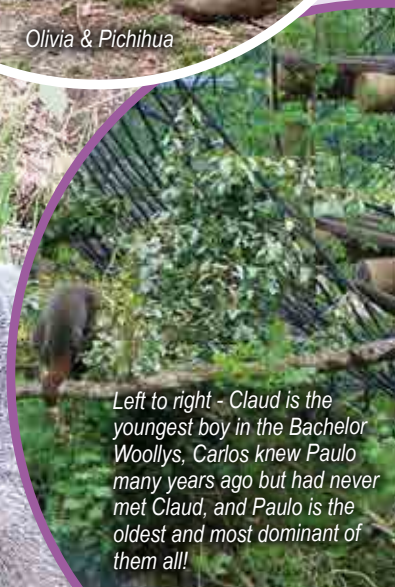


Levar's group of eight with Pichihua

Bueno Junior was the biggest challenge as he is not always socially aware. He is almost as big as Levar, but at six years is still adolescent, and unaware how intimidating he can be especially when he plays a little rough with the girls. He is a big softie however, and we are sure with a little time and patience he will soon win her over!



Olivia & Pichihua



Left to right - Claud is the youngest boy in the Bachelor Woollys, Carlos knew Paulo many years ago but had never met Claud, and Paulo is the oldest and most dominant of them all!

Bachelor Troop:

With several births in woolly groups over the past few years, it was inevitable that some individuals would outgrow their natal groups so we made the decision to create a fourth bachelor group. In the wild, male woolly monkeys tend to remain in their natal groups living in large mixed sex groups. They are generally more sociable than the females and by eliminating the competition and resulting aggression over the ladies, the boys can get along peacefully.

The first two boys to be moved to the newly renovated house were Paulo, a 12-year-old from our "Pond" group, and Carlos, a five-year-old from Levar's group. Paulo was



Carlos was wary of Mani at first but their enclosure is so big, Carlos (below) didn't even realise where Mani (shelf above) was most of the time!

hand reared when his mother didn't feed him, and despite his fantastic physical appearance, he didn't have the behaviour of a dominant male. Carlos is also a very impressive looking male and is already bigger than some of our adult males, but at such a young age he is an adolescent and it shows in his behaviour. The boys were wary of each

other at first, giving a few displays to test the water, but then gave in to a mutual "hand snuffle", a greeting to reassure each other that there is no threat. Within the first couple of days they grew increasingly comfortable around each other.

The third boy to join the group was three and a half year old Claud, also from the Pond group. Paulo and Claud had become close friends over the past year and were happy to be reunited. Claud was nervous of Carlos, and stuck close to Paulo initially but soon gained confidence. Within a couple of days Claud was playing with Carlos. The final male to be introduced was Mani from Levar's house. He had been living with Carlos for the past few months, so didn't come in a complete stranger. He is a very serious boy, so we had thought that he might take charge of this newly formed troop of boys but so far that has not been the case.

We have been surprised by how the dynamics have worked out so far. Mani was a little overwhelmed at first as the other three boys had formed friendships, but he was keen to make friends with Paulo, who initially stepped into the top spot of the hierarchy. Things are changing however, and it appears that Carlos may make a bid to be the leader of the group with Paulo disinterested in politics and Mani humbled by moving house. What is great is that Claud's

Dominant male Paulo (front) had lived with Carlos (behind) several years ago but when they were reunited it took Carlos several hours before he relaxed around Paulo

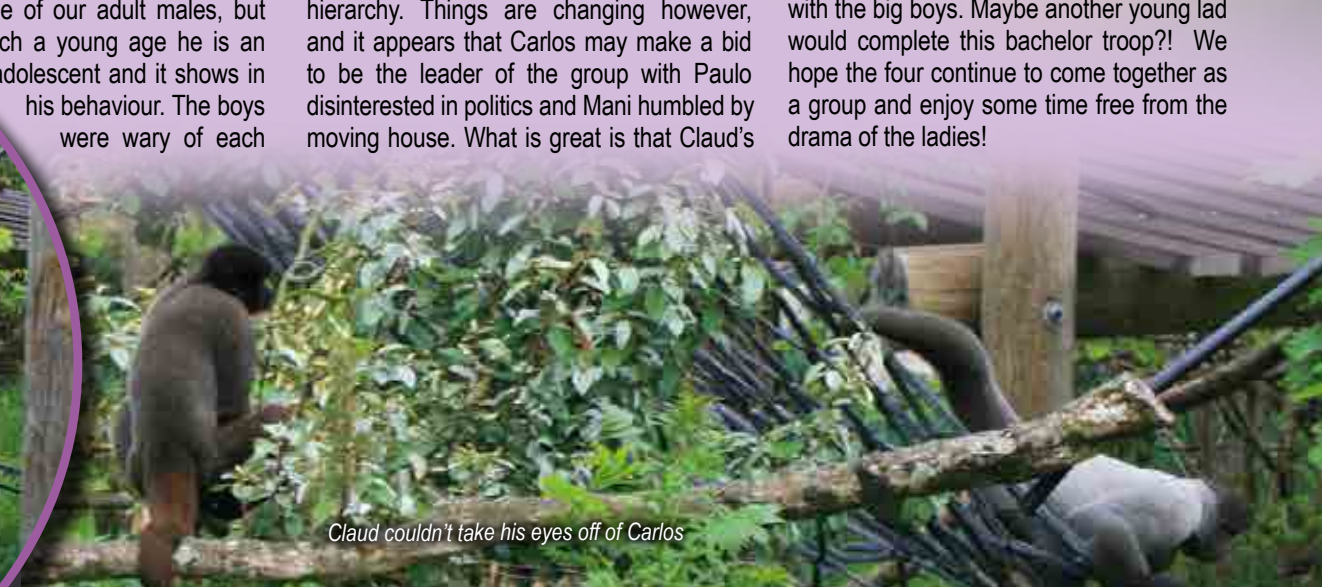


Carlos is a beautiful boy and big for his age



Mani is a big male, but is submissive to Paulo

youth has brought the fun side in everyone and we frequently see him engaging in play with the big boys. Maybe another young lad would complete this bachelor troop?! We hope the four continue to come together as a group and enjoy some time free from the drama of the ladies!



Claud couldn't take his eyes off of Carlos



DAO TIEN UPDATE

Dao Tien's Mission

Dao Tien's mission is to provide a high standard of welfare for each individual rescued and where possible get the primates back where they belong, in the wild. This is not always possible, but with 12 years of data from over 100 individuals, we now know how to rehabilitate and enable pygmy lorises to return to the forests they were stolen

from. For gibbons and douc we are still learning and collecting data to better understand the steps needed for their eventual release back into the wild. Developing protocols for rehabilitation and release is critical for saving our rescued primates but also for others at difference centres or in different countries.

Bien Has Returned to Dao Tien!

After 11 months living in the forests of Cat Tien National Park, we made the difficult decision to bring Bien back to Dao Tien.

She was in fantastic condition and slowly developing and expanding her home range. She was not singing and still had not found a transient male to pair with, although one had been heard in the area. With careful monitoring, it became clear that the number of people in the forest was increasing. Many people have legal rights to enter protected forest; first the forest protectors or Kiem Lam who are familiar faces to Bien and also local people collecting chay oi fruits which are believed to be a cure for cancer. It is crucial that reintroduced gibbons ignore what is occurring on the ground, and quietly move away. Sadly, for Bien the numbers of people in the forest, eating and sleeping, encouraged her to revert to her old familiarity with people. She started following them, coming down close, and eventually taking food. The local people were reminded about our project and the wildlife laws protecting wild gibbons, but the risks became too high with photos of the "friendly" gibbon appearing on Facebook. It would only take one person in financial difficulty to take the risk and hunt her down.

approaching people. In the forest she was very chatty making lots of contact calls, just as wild single males do during this solitary phase of dispersal. It may be that the damage done to young/infant gibbons when they are removed from their mothers is too significant to overcome. On Dao Tien we have been focusing on getting these young confiscated gibbons living with adopted mothers and out into the trees as soon as possible with the goal of stopping and/or reversing any imprinting or affinity with humans. It is not clear if we can reverse the damage done to baby gibbons that have been stolen from the wild so that they are confident enough to be returned to the wild and life in the tops of the trees.



Bien

An Expanding Illegal Trade as More Baby Doucs Arrive at Dao Tien

You will all remember the young douc we rescued named Anthony, he is doing well but was lonely. Then in April the call arrived about another infant douc that had been spotted on Facebook. If confiscated could we take her?



Baby douc, Anna

Yes, of course, but the baby was not well and had diarrhoea. We feared the worse for this very sensitive, critically endangered species with a delicate and specialised gut - they rarely survive in the illegal trade. She turned up, SCREAMING, had a shotgun injury in one arm and a nasty split to the top of her head but both were healing well. She was hungry but even after feeding well, the screams did not stop. She wanted contact and only then would the upset lessen enough for her to fall asleep. She was passing diarrhoea while sleeping. We named the little douc Anna. She should have been with her mother 24 hours a day and it became apparent that she had substituted human contact for her missing mother. When we sat her near to Anthony, there was no recognition. Anna liked human contact



Anna & Vu

and was used to sucking fingers - anyone's to calm her down, but we soon learnt that this followed with a strong bite! Anna eventually tried to suck Anthony's toe and when the inevitable bite came, Anthony responded with a cuff and a quick kick to reprimand her.

The priority was to get her gut working properly. She had diarrhoea, then her faeces would stabilize, and then she would start to bloat. We had to respond to the needs of her gut hourly to help keep it moving. Anna improved day by day, helped by eating some of Anthony's faeces, boosting her specialised gut flora, ready for leaf digestion. We kept encouraging contact between Anna and Anthony as they

needed each other long-term but had developed very different coping mechanisms to deal with the trauma they had experienced. Anthony had a busy daily routine which Anna had to tag along with. In the mornings and afternoons they spend time in the area of forest where we released our black-shanked doucs in 2010; Thanh's family! The group is now 10 strong with several infants. It was all new to Anna and as expected she would scream from time to time. The effect on Thanh's troop was amazing, they were frantic hearing an infant distress calls and the link was made between our youngsters and the now wild troop of doucs! Anna and Anthony continued to bond and spend time out in the forest.

Just as we thought things were getting settled with Anna and Anthony, in a relatively short period of time we received three more baby boys. Anna arrived in April, at the start of May we rescued Vu who was sold for the equivalent of £100, on 15 June we received Luom who weighed 900g and was very bloated, and then the following day we got the call to take Red who is a red-shanked douc, a species from Northern Vietnam even though he was confiscated in Saigon. It is clear that the trade in baby doucs IS out of control. It is very



Vu from Thanh Son area



Luom, male douc from Lam Dong was very bloated

upsetting to see their scared faces, bullet wounds, and bloated bellies knowing that their mothers are dead and that we will be lucky to keep them alive let alone to find that bridge to get them back to the wild. We don't want to tempt fate but so far so good and all five babies are doing ok to well. There is a long road ahead but with the companionship of other doucs, us documenting and working on their digestion 24 hours a day, and the wild group overhead we are hopeful that Anthony, Anna, Vu, Luom, and Red will make it back to the forest...where they belong.

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

We need to build a secure baby unit and a release tower in Thanh's Troop home range. Please help us to get them back where they belong.

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Vu, Anna, & Anthony



Luom & Red



Luom, Red, Anthony, Anna & Vu

BUILDING & MAINTENANCE

Refurbishment of new bachelor woollys!
Adding to the enclosure climbing frames



Rotten window frames in former gibbon house



Continued work on the bachelor chimps pavilion



Renovations to Hananya's playroom wall



Repairing back wall of Hananya's playroom using additional concrete blocks



Upgrading the slide



Securing slide upgrade into place, and a fresh lick of paint!

Desmond & Chloe get a saki monkey enclosure spring clean & upgrade



Caring for the park's trees



Park-wide tree felling/cutting



Cutting trees in the woodland walk

UNCAS & MO - NOT QUITE THE LAST OF THE MOHICANS

By Nic Dunn

For a number of years, it looked like Uncas would be the last of the Mohicans at the park following the loss of his mate, Alice who died in 2012 and then his companion Hawkeye in 2018.

Primate Care Staff tried introducing a number of different marmosets to Uncas so that he would have a companion, but his behaviour can be obsessive compulsive and with his larger size, he intimidated or frightened the smaller common marmosets. Prospective partners all lost patience with him and introductions were not successful. Cotton-top tamarins are critically endangered in their native Colombia and yet in UK today there is a legal trade in these beautiful primates as pets. Sadly for Uncas, he was a victim of the pet trade and had been sold from home to home in a bird cage before he and Alice were finally confiscated by Kent police in 2009. It is no wonder Uncas' behaviour is not normal.

If we were going to get another cotton-top tamarin for Uncas we wanted to find an individual that was a similar age. As it happened Longleat's male cotton-top had died leaving his mate Mo on her own and it was agreed that she would come to Monkey World to be with Uncas. On November 18th Mo arrived at the park and was released in the bedroom next to Uncas. Both tamarins were interested in each other and there was no aggression. PCS then let them together for a full introduction and it is clear that the two were very pleased to find one another, sitting cuddled up together on the nest box.

Mo is 10 years old and about 100g heavier than 16-year-old Uncas but they both have gentle personalities and clearly missed the company of their own kind. Fingers crossed this will be a mature couple that spend many a happy year together in their retirement.



MONKEY LIFE

By Susan Tunstall

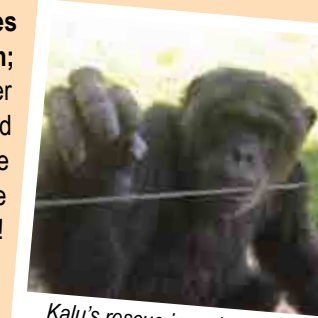
Primate Planet Productions

Monkey Life series 13 is in production!

Monkey Life series 13 is in production; despite awful weather over the winter, and lockdown we have been filming all the goings on at the park!

We also followed Alison, Jeremy and John Lewis on their trip to South Africa to rescue chimpanzee Kalu and have been following her introduction into Bryan's group. With several arrivals already filmed and lots to catch up on with the arrivals from the last couple of years the series is progressing nicely.

We will be delivering the series to Pick towards the end of the year, as soon as we know when it will be shown we will let you know!



Kalu's rescue in series 13.

Don't Forget MONKEY LIFE SERIES 1-11 & 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.

sky nature

Sky have launched a new channel dedicated to nature and wildlife, for those of you that subscribe to a Sky package you will be able to watch Monkey Life on their new Nature channel as well as freeview channel Pick.

MONKEY LIFE
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Monkey Life series 12 DVD

Monkey Life series 12 will be available to buy on DVD from the end of July; via the Monkey World giftshop and on Amazon, priced £20 + P&P. The giftshop will be taking pre-orders from mid-July so you can reserve your copy in advance of the release date.



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

MEET OUR THREE NEW LADIES QUEENIE, JENNY & MILLY

By Karen McGilchrist & Alison Cronin

Milly, Queenie and Jenny are common marmosets that arrived at the park within a week of each other so our aim was to see if they would all live together. We didn't know if this would work as they had all had such different backgrounds even though they were all from the British pet trade.



Queenie was purchased at a very young age



Queenie had an indoor and outdoor cage



Milly suffered terrible abuse in the UK pet trade



Jenny used to share this cage with her partner Forest who died

Jenny had lived with a male marmoset for 12 years until he recently passed away. Queenie had lived alone for at least eight years but with a very caring family and Milly had suffered some of the worst abuse, from one of her former owners, that we had ever seen. A cruelty case is pending.

When they arrived, they were all nervous, which is to be expected. A lot had changed for them. Milly and Jenny were both underweight and Jenny had a large mass in her mouth. Queenie was actually a little overweight and seemed a little more confident than the other two. Jenny started on a course of antibiotics and pain relief straight away to help what we initially thought was a dental abscess. Milly would try and disappear whenever she saw us, flattening herself behind branches. This was really upsetting for us to see as we knew it was due to her traumatic past. We would have to spend a lot of time with Milly to gain her trust. Jenny finished her course of antibiotics but the mass was still very large so the vet came in to take a look. Unfortunately, what we thought was an abscess turned out to be a growth in her gum and jawbone growing around her teeth. The vet removed as much as he could and a sample was sent off. Jenny was able to eat much better even with just some of the lump removed. An anxious wait for results followed but luckily for Jenny the lump is benign. It may still grow back but we are monitoring her closely.



Jenny had a large growth in her mouth

Social introductions started after Jenny recovered from her visit to the vet. However, at the same time as starting the girls' introductions we had some group breakdowns with other marmosets, so we now had Albert, Mojo and Comet to consider in any new groups we tried to make. Many combinations were tried, almost everyone met everyone at some point. Fairly quickly we found we had one settled pair, the ladies Mojo & Queenie and not long after it became clear that Albert & Jenny made a good



Milly & Jenny



Queenie & Mojo Bedding Down

stable pairing. These two pairs are getting along really well. Long may it continue!

Introductions with Milly were not so easy, she was terrified of everyone and everything. Initial meetings with Comet went well but it became apparent that Milly doesn't completely understand marmoset behaviour which is making the introduction difficult. Watching all the meetings, it is clear that Milly is one of the most psychologically damaged marmosets we have rescued from the UK pet trade. We knew straight away that she was scared of people and she has very few marmoset social skills. She doesn't seem to understand their different vocalisations or how to act in different situations. This can occur when babies are taken away from their families at a very young age and have no conspecifics to learn from. Comet was boisterous and unforgiving so we decided that we needed to try a more mature and stable male to help Milly gain confidence and learn marmoset behaviour. 11-year-old male Jock was just the character. He was living with Max so we tried Comet with Max and they were great together which meant that Jock could meet Milly. And it worked! It is so wonderful to see that Milly is happy to follow and sleep with Jock and we have even seen her grooming him in their outside enclosure!

We were worried that Milly's abusive past may have caused her permanent damage, but companionship of her own kind and an appropriate environment was what she needed. It is what ALL marmosets need and deserve regardless of where they are living.

UK PET TRADE UPDATE

By Charlie Crowther

A Call for Evidence

UK pet trade rescues continue to bombard the park, as you'll see from the rescues of Queenie, Milly and Jenny, all rescued since Christmas. Our waiting list now has reached the dizzying heights of over 100 primates – truly huge.

We'd love to be able to help them all but our facilities and resources just can't stretch to this at the moment, which is why we're desperate for the UK government to act to change the law.

At the moment over 85 species of monkey can be kept LEGALLY in the UK, without needing a license or register to buy or keep them – just as easily as keeping a goldfish or budgie. Sadly, the conditions these monkeys are kept in often lead to both physical and psychological problems.

Last August, Environment Minister Zac Goldsmith met Alison at the park to discuss the problems with the primate pet trade. Since then, the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA) launched a call for evidence on the welfare of primates kept as pets, which was completed in January. We thank each and everyone one of you who supported this, by writing to tell DEFRA your opinions on the primate pet trade, and any evidence you had to the extent of it.

We handed in our own report which reached a staggering 25 pages, but still couldn't cover everything we had to say!

While we were compiling it, we were confronted with just how many primates had been affected, and all the different ways they had been abused or neglected. It's so tragic to see the number of primates that have been let down by the UK laws – a nation of "animal lovers".

You can read the full report online at www.monkeyworld.org/support-us/the-uk-pet-trade.

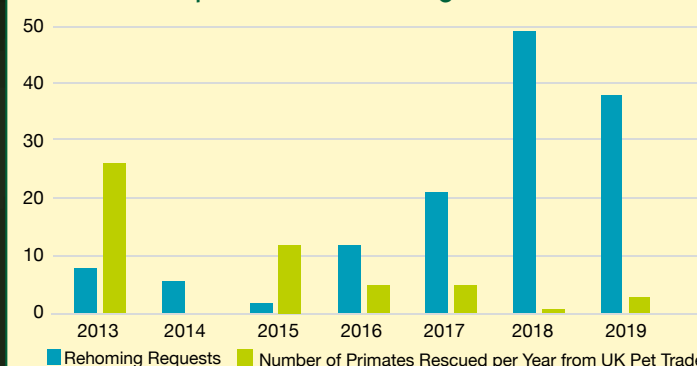
In the report, we had to try and categorise each heart-breaking case down to numbers and statistics, to show, without prejudice, the breadth of the problem and the rise in cases, to prove that this is an ongoing and pressing issue. It was shocking to see the scale of the problem represented in the graph below. It showed not just how many primates we've been able to rescue but how many out there that are in need of rescue.

We felt we had to include some of our primates' stories too to give these numbers "faces". It was so difficult as each and every one had their own unhappy story of life in the pet trade, and just one monkey mistreated in the UK pet trade is too many in our opinion.



Alison has been called as an expert witness in a cruelty case for this marmoset that fell out a window of an upstairs flat

Number of requests for rehoming vs rescues completed since waiting list started



Betty Boo's skeleton shows how being fed an inappropriate diet and kept in a small cage had affected her bones

We included the story of Betty Boo whose skeleton (pictured) was deformed due to her life as a domestic pet; kept inside, in cramped conditions, with incorrect food and no company of her own kind.

Since we handed in our evidence, we have been contacted by DEFRA who invited Alison to a roundtable discussion to discuss the government's next steps. Sadly, due to Covid-19 this has been postponed. Monkeys in the pet trade must wait a little longer!

What now?

We still need your help and support to gather evidence against the trade, which is ongoing still. It was clear when we compiled our evidence that public sentiment is important, as was the need to show the breadth and spread of the problem. If you see monkeys being kept or sold as pets in the UK please continue to report them to us, preferably with a link to the page or a screenshot, so we can continue to make our case. Sites such as Facebook and UKClassifieds.co.uk continue to post primates for sale. We'd urge everyone to report the Facebook sites. For a while they were enforcing their ban on the sale of animals online but this seems to have petered off and selling posts have crept back in. Please continue to report to Facebook all selling posts you see, as well as sending them to us.

While we remain hopeful, the deal isn't done yet to protect monkeys in the UK, so we continue to need your support!

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LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

No-one could have predicted last December that we were all about to face some of the toughest times in our 33 year Monkey World history – a pandemic sweeping the globe.

Covid-19 was an unknown and potentially deadly virus that had already jumped species and was a particular concern for me and our team as other coronaviruses have been documented in wild chimpanzees in West Africa. Our first thoughts turned to protecting our rescued monkeys and apes but more importantly our Primate Care Staff who are essential carers for our vulnerable primates. The virus took hold in UK by the end of February and it was clear to me by March 17th that we needed to shield our PCS and non-human primates as best we could and close the park. It was the anniversary of Jim's death and a very sad day...

I have had to deal with some very difficult situations in my life, but this was uncharted territory and we were trying to predict and prepare for all eventualities. We identified our essential staff – namely PCS and our Maintenance & Grounds team which meant that 49 staff members were put on furlough. Those that were still at work needed to be extra cautious in their personal lives outside of the park but also we needed to bolster our quarantine and hygiene standards. Monkey World is both UK Quarantine and European Balai approved and has always



Lunchtime social distancing at Monkey World



The park has been a ghost town

maintained high standards of disease prevention/hygiene but the high rate of pre-symptomatic infection was a concern. We have spent thousands of pounds on extra gloves, disinfectant, and masks and at a time when we have no money coming in and a significant monthly deficit.

All aspects of our lives at the park had to be considered

from where, what, & how everyone was eating, what shoes were worn around the park, how locks and keys are used, to how the radios are used and stored overnight. We could only do our best to prevent the spread of any infection. And people did get "normal" colds, runny noses, and eventually hayfever. We found that as some



The Monkey World Covid 19 emergency stores



A pallet load of melons was donated



An extra order of woodwool for bedding was purchased



Enough primate pellets for a month



Kind Donations of Fruit & Veg



The monkeys & apes clearly miss seeing 'all of you'

people had to isolate at home for a headache or other symptom, others were returning to work. We have had periods of staff shortages but everyone has pulled together to make sure the monkeys and apes get everything they need and are used to – with two exceptions. We immediately limited the amount of contact we/PCS have with our primates to reduce infection risk and the lack of visitors in the park is clearly a big change. The monkeys and apes clearly miss seeing all of you. The upside is that our rehabilitated monkeys and apes need to look to each other for interest and companionship rather than spending time looking at people.



Months' supply of dried pulses were ordered

Our other concern was to ensure that we had several weeks supply of dry or frozen food stuffs and essential medications such as insulin, birth control pills, antibiotics etc. Regardless of finances we created a stockpile of primate pellets, dried pulses, sunflower seeds, peanuts, baby rice, cereal, Arabic and lump gum, dried milk, and frozen vegetables. With the addition of fresh cut browse and leaves we would be able to feed our monkey and apes if food supply chains broke down. We also stored extra supply of woodwool for nest making, especially as we stopped all of your donations of bedding and linen. It is only in the last couple of weeks that we have started taking donations of bedding again – they are put in trays, dated, and set aside for several days which is long enough to prevent C19 spreading.

Financially this has been a very difficult and worrying time at the park. I cannot thank you all enough for all your support both financially, with our Amazon wish list, and supermarket deliveries. You have made a big difference to helping us stay afloat. As part of Monkey World's licensing, we are REQUIRED to have a "disaster relief fund" and so is every zoo and wildlife park in the country that is open to the public. I am shocked and stunned to hear of so many institutions threatening to put the animals they care for down unless they get financial assistance after only three months. As far as I am concerned it is irresponsible to not have arrangements/monies in place for worst case scenarios at least in the short term.

So many of us have lost loved ones over the past few months. I was very sad to hear that Albert Hamblin (aka Big Al) passed away recently. When the park first opened Big Al came to set up fun activities for children when there were very few monkeys or apes at the park. There was a go-cart track, small boats, and video games – not exactly the primate experience that Jim had in mind but a source of extra income and also something different for kids to do when the monkeys and apes could not be seen. We will miss Big Al and our thoughts are with his wife Barbara and sons Martin and Steve.



Albert Hamblin (aka Big Al) will be sadly missed

Many of our supporters have also lost loved ones. Our thoughts and condolences go out to the family and friends of **Joyce Arnell, Carol Barker, Keith Barker, Len Bartlett, Thelma Barry, Brenda Batchelor, Richard Bateman, Fred Bell, Joan Bowers, Eric Bowyer, Patricia Burn, Julie Campbell, Esther Clements, Catherine Connelly, Trevor Coombs, Iain Carson, Bryan Cridland-Winter, Pamela Davies, Ann Edwards, Pauline Edwards, Pauline Fahy, Joyce Fawcett, Luan Fenn, Patricia Field, Nigel Ford, Emma-Jayne Godwin, Dorothy Grace, Ann Grogan, Josephine Hancocks, Marilyn Hart, Joyce Hayman, Vicky Heathcote, Elizabeth Hicks, Adrienne Hollick, Roy Hudd OBE, Brian Jeanes, Alan Jackson, Derek Kenny, Joy Maidman, Sylvia Matthews, Evelyn Messenger, Miss J E Minns, Elizabeth Munns, Andrew Nigh, Heather North, Mary Parkes, Winifred Parsons, Susan Ray, Ruth Reed, Pamela Seymour,**

Keith Shepherd, Robert Smallwood, Christiana Smith, Linda Stredwick, Brenda Suitters, Dorothy Temple, Russell Thornhill, Barbara Turner, Kath Webb, Stephen Williams, Amy Witt, and Elizabeth Wootton. They will be greatly missed.

Finally, please accept our apologies for this Spring edition arriving so late. We have been busy staying focused on ensuring the health and welfare of the monkeys and apes and making a plan for a gradual reopening. We hope that you have been able to keep in touch with the extra Facebook and Instagram postings, the Zoom tours, and the new online Monkey World Educational course. All great ideas from our Communications and Education teams that we hope to continue.

From all of us in the Monkey World Family, **THANK YOU SO MUCH** and hope to see you soon!

Oliver Cronin

WELCOME BACK!

We are planning to open the park to our adoptive parents ONLY starting Monday July 13th - the anniversary of the first group of chimps arriving at the park in 1987!

If you want to bring a partner, family member or friend, they too will have to be an adoptive parent. We will be limiting the number of people we allow in on any one day so you will need to book ahead either on-line through our website or by calling the office.

During this initial opening we will **REQUIRE** all adoptive parents to wear face masks. After three weeks we are hopeful we will be in a position to open to the general public in early August.

We wanted to thank you for all your support and give adoptive parents a chance to visit the park before everyone else!

We are asking for a small donation of £3 per adoptive parent on entry, to help us cover the costs of reopening whilst receiving no income from the general public. Your help and support is so appreciated at this time.

Some facilities and services will be restricted to ensure the welfare of our primates and staff. Please visit the website to see what you can expect during your visit.