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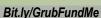
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BART'S COMMUNITY UPDATE By Maddie Court



It has been a year of big changes for Bart's community, with the arrival of Sasha following the sudden and unexpected passing of Toprish. Sasha was a much needed distraction for the group and she's definitely brought a new energy. Whether that's a good or a bad thing is still yet to be determined!

Bart continues to grow as an alpha male, however he is taking longer than expected to accept new girl Sasha. Being a fit and socially experienced female, we thought Bart would accept her quickly, as he did Toprish, however it's possible Sasha's size is threatening to Bart, and he's concerned she may make a play for dominant female over his favourite girl Cindy. We have seen progress in their relationship recently and hope he'll soon accept his new lady.

Busta's playful nature meant he was the second chimp to befriend Sasha, but when the group was slow to accept Sasha, he started to turn on her too. Thankfully Sasha soon won the cheeky lad over and Busta was the first boy to spend time outside and overnight with her.



Gamba seemed most affected by the loss of Toprish. They were a troublesome duo who often teamed up to cause chaos with chimps and Primate Care Staff alike. We were concerned Sasha would fill this role, making the pair a force to be reckoned with, but as Gamba has yet to accept Sasha, it might be a while before we see them living harmoniously.

Micky is one of the oldest and original chimps to arrive at the park. His favourite thing is find a nice blanket, cosy down, and hide himself away. This often means Primate Care Staff disturbing him to check he's okay and give him his daily extras and supplements, which always makes us feel

Athena has had a quiet year other than the introductions with Sasha. She was fearful to begin with but soon became close to Sasha, often begging to join her again when separated. Athena, Lola and Sasha have become a happy little trio, and we hope they stick together and watch out for one another.

Beth has been instrumental in the introductions with Sasha. Beth used her affectionately known 'power toe' (her right foot only has her big toe) to poke through the mesh when meeting Sasha, which Sasha found fascinating! From there Beth stuck by Sasha and used her position as a high ranking female to show the rest of the group that Sasha should be accepted.

Bixa is a silly old chimp, and entertains herself without the need for others. She was one of our last girls to meet and accept Sasha and although you can't exactly call them friends. Bixa is happy ignoring Sasha's existence, which is sometimes key to a harmonious life!

Cathy's stern face and large frame can make her an intimidating chimp, and Sasha deferred to her as dominant. We suspect Sasha wasn't used to girls bigger than her. The two get on fine as long as Sasha doesn't eat any food that Cathy has her eye on.

a tough nut to crack. Despite every other female being friends with Sasha Chatta wasn't having it, continuing aggression and seeking out Primate Care Staff to support her fight. It was only after Cathy, Clin and Grisby continuously told her off that she decided Sasha can't be all that bad!

Cindy is slowing down in her old age and been spending more time alone, but still remains a bold, charismatic dominant female. She gets upset when she doesn't get her way but everyone in the group, even new girl Sasha, respects Cindy and her position. A fight with Cindy is not something you take on!

Clin is an easy chimp to love. She loves her food and usually collects up as much as she can carry and drags it around. Despite the hoarding, she's one of our skinniest chimps and gets a cup of peanut butter porridge each day. It is so tasty that it activates her beautiful and unique singing voice. There's no other chimp with a voice like Clin's.

Eddi is an interesting character, and despite being raised in the group she is only close with Bart. She didn't take the opportunity to be friends with Sasha, clearly content on her outsider lifestyle. She has both took joy in poking and annoying Sasha, and defended her on a few occasions, but I suspect Eddi won't change her ways and will continue a relatively peaceful life on the outskirts of the group. Grisby loved the

> opportunity of standing up for Sasha, telling chimps much bigger than her to leave Sasha alone and even telling Bart off! It's difficult to tell if she's protecting Sasha or just enjoying the drama of the

situation. Either way, she's been a help in settling Sasha in.

Lola is a low-ranking female, but the introduction of Sasha has brought new life to her. Sasha gives Lola confidence, and she often defends Sasha against higher-ranking chimps in the group. Sasha is a large, bold female and Lola has picked a good friend and ally. Their grooming sessions are lovely to watch, and it's been wonderful to see Lola come out of her shell.

Peppa was amazingly sweet during Toprish's introductions a few years ago, so we hoped things would go the same with Sasha. Unfortunately, their relationship has

been rather hot and cold. Sometimes Peppa is perfectly happy eating alongside Sasha, defending her, even grooming her on occasion. But other times, she uses her size to threaten Sasha, sending Sasha into a tantrum.

Sasha has had an overwhelming year but handled it all brilliantly. After the difficult decision to move her out of Bryan's group, away from her son Kangoo, and into Bart's group, she blossomed. She was much more interested in making friends without her focus on Kangoo, and has been persistent even with the chimps less keen on her. Although not quite fully integrated, we are optimistic that Sasha will soon be a settled member of Bart's community.

ORANG-UTAN CRÉCHE



Oshine is enjoying having more independent youngsters in the nursery who need less mothering input than they used to, which gives her more relaxation time. She was a good mediator in Kayan and Hujan's initial introductions to the group.

Bulu Mata is very playful and goofy, climbing into empty cardboard boxes any chance he gets. He's a good adoptive big brother to everyone, particularly Hujan. When he first met Hujan he was excited to have a new wrestling buddy, it just took him a few sessions to realise he had to tone down the level of enthusiasm as Hujan is considerably smaller than his old playmate Silvestre!

Mimi Loren is a mischievous character and keeps us on our toes. When we're raking up old bedding under the tunnels, she likes to be 'helpful' by posting more out to us, making it a never-ending task. She still beds down with Oshine at the end of the day at nesting time.

Rieke has benefitted from the two additions to the group, finding companionship with both Hujan and Kayan. Her 'blonde' hair is still very striking, and although she is still a smaller individual, she is growing confident and becoming more independent from Bulu Mata with all her new friends

Kayan arrived in February from Twycross Zoo after her mother passed away. She settled in well and likes playing with Hujan and Bulu Mata. Her relationship with Mimi is less settled, with the two not always seeing eye-to-eye, but they have found a way to share their space and time with the others.

Hujan moved in in May, having grown a little too interested in Tuan's mating behaviour. He and Bulu Mata really hit it off, enjoying lots of play sessions. Everyone at the nursery loves Hujan, and Rieke in particular enjoys having

a gentler friend to play with.



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MARMOSETS & TAMARINS By Karen McGilchrist & Danielle Baker



Maggie & Rattler are an active pair who are always jumping around and never too far from each other. Maggie loves to be the first to the food and sometimes tells Rattler off if he is eating too much, especially if it is gum – which they love!

Brass & Evi spend a lot of their time inside cuddled in their cosy blankets. They occasionally pop outside where they like to sunbathe in the sunny spot by their viewing window. Both boys are enjoying their retirement and love their warm beds to

Frank & Luna are a newly formed pair this vear and are going strong. Luna loves to be bossy (especially over food) but there have been plenty of times when Primate Care Staff have spotted them grooming and playing together. They love their new gum logs and swing from them, making sure to get every last drop of gum.



Sydney & Leo are also a new pair which blossomed into a lovely bond. Both greet Primate Care Staff in the mornings, hoping for tasty rewards. They love exploring outside and Sydney enjoys sunbathing in the sunny spot in her tunnel. They love an early night and snuggle up every evening together.

Cali & Caesar are madly in love. They rarely leave each other's side and each day grow in confidence. Caesar likes to tell Primate Care Staff off when they are too slow to give him something tasty.

Doug & Jangles are always following each other. Sometimes there is trouble in paradise on gum days when both go crazy for this high value food and sometimes take their frustrations out on each other. They quickly resolve these issues and are back to cuddling up.

Tya is enjoying her independence after her return to the park. She was briefly paired up with Moschino but decided she prefers her own space and hasn't found the 'one' vet. She is in her retirement years now and enjoys the peace and guiet.

Mozzy (Moschino) has massively grown in confidence since his arrival and although he briefly was paired with Tya, he didn't find a romantic connection. He loves sitting in his tunnel looking at his neighbours and we hope to find him a partner very soon so he can improve his social skills.

Ruby, Oscar, Merry, Pippin, Frodo & Bilbo are a busy family, still living together, and the children, who have grown in confidence, often dominate at feeding times. They love their large outside space and are very vocal when using it! Ruby and Oscar have their down time, grooming each other in the window whilst the children jump around in their newly re-branched rooms.

Fred & Freya - Fred is one of our older marmosets but he is as active

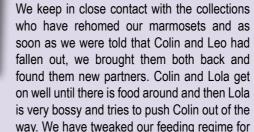


as ever, spending every sunny day outside watching our visitors from the high tunnel to his enclosure. Freya is less human focused and very protective of Fred; she will try to stop Primate Care Staff interacting with him and likes to sit next to him in the high tunnel.

Jenny & Clyde - After the very sad loss of long-term resident Albert, Jenny found herself on her own but a new arrival, Clyde, has proved to be the perfect partner! Introductions went extremely well, and they have settled into a very content pair. Clyde loves to spend time in their outside enclosure, something he didn't have access to as a pet. Jenny has had surgery this year to remove a growth in her mouth but is now back to good health.

Millie-Martin & Moon are absolutely lovely and they get on brilliantly together. They have new neighbours, and Moon in particular is very interested, watching them, and sometimes telling them off. Due to her history, Millie still gets worried by new people but is much calmer with the Primate Care Staff she knows.

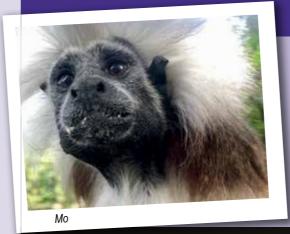
Lola & Colin are a new pair this year. Lola arrived with her very sick partner Koba who we unfortunately could not save. Colin had lived with us previously, and as we do with some of our settled, healthy marmosets, had been rehomed with his partner Leo.



these two to ensure Colin is comfortable and gets his fair share.

Milo & Amy have had an uneventful year, which is always nice. Amy is very food focused and so always first to investigate mealtimes and enrichment. Milo loves being outside and makes the most of sunny days.

Mickey & Queenie have had a lovely chilled out year. They have a really strong bond. If it's a bit chilly they'll be snuggling up together in a blanket. When it's warm they are out insect catching. A firm favourite for these two is a new hammock and then, despite their ages, it's definitely play time!



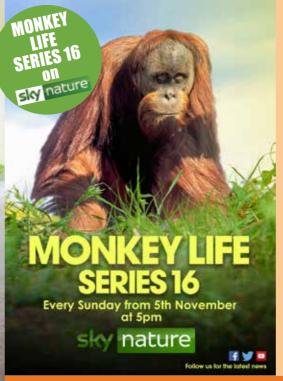
TAMARINS

Red & Mo, our two female tamarins, are a new pair and are still getting to know each other and figure out their relationship. We have seen lovely moments of them cuddling up together in their sleeping basket. Occasionally Mo can be dominant over food which causes Red to be a little wary, but as with all our animals, we are monitoring them closely and doing all we can to help them settle.



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SQUIRREL MONKEYS

By Steph Sawyer



This last year has seen a few big changes at the squirrel monkey house.

New arrival **Kimbo** came to us from the UK pet trade, and unfortunately attempts to add him to our existing group of four

Lopez

Logan

Kimbo

Lucille

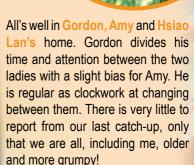
Nueve

squirrel monkeys didn't go over well with males

Logan and Lopez. However female Nueve was
very taken with Kimbo, and so has moved out of
the other group and now lives very happily with
him. Nueve is a very sweet monkey, always
purring at the Primate Care Staff when
they arrive in the morning. Kimbo
has proven to be a very curious boy,
he likes to be in the window of his
outside enclosure greeting visitors
and is very chatty. His time as a pet
means he is reactive to visitors, but
mostly just showing off for them!

GORDON'S GROUP By Jeremy Keeling







TUAN'S GROUP

Tuan grooming Awan

Tuan - Despite a strong bond with Lucky, he sometimes has difficulty deciding on his favourite lady, which can result in disagreements. Awan and Tuan still occasionally play, he's fond of spending time with RoRo during the day but sleeps with Lucky overnight. His first love is food!

RoRo loves juice and warm squash more than any other orang-utan. She is exceptionally clever, rearranging her house to her liking, cleaning things up and making the most wonderful nests. She is closest to A-mei.

Lucky is strong-willed and often causes tension with one of the other ladies, but she gets away with a lot, being Tuan's leading lady. She was unexpectedly nervous about her flu jab this By Rachel Hensor

Logan, Lopez and Lucille are a settled group of three. They have a

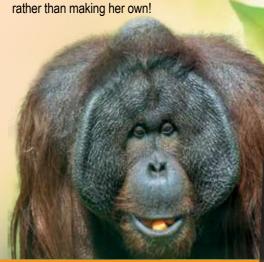
very tight bond as all were rescued

together from appalling conditions in

year, so we went back to some training sessions to make her feel more comfortable and all was good.

A-mei's browse forts are getting more elaborate. She has also taken to roly-polying in the morning when Primate Care Staff arrive. Covered in woodwool she has excellent bed-hair first thing.

Awan is in full teenager mode. Getting up in the morning is done at the very last minute, enjoying a lie-in wherever possible. The other ladies are very particular about who sleeps where, but Awan is going through a phase of trying out everyone else's beds, hoping she can take one of theirs rather than making her own!





BRYAN'S GROUP

By Shaun Crompton



Rodders, Naree & Bryan

It's been an eventful year for Bryan's group with the arrival of Kangoo, and even though his introductions ended back in the spring things still aren't entirely settled, as there is now a power struggle between Bryan and Ash.

Bryan - Having Kangoo as a close friend has done wonders for Bryan's confidence and he will now steps up to challenge Ash's dominance. Hierarchy disputes aren't resolved overnight, and Ash is no pushover, so Primate Care Staff are keeping a close eye to see whether Bryan will finally become the dominant male of his group.

Ash initially gave Kangoo a hard time as she didn't like his support of Bryan. She would sit

in the slides to block Kangoo inside and keep Bryan out, physically breaking their alliance! She is more relaxed now but keeps a close eye on the boys and their threat to her reign.

Lulu was quick to accept Kangoo into the fold but struggled with Bryan's growing confidence and dominance. This anxiety led her to distance herself more for a time, though recently she seems to be over it and happy to re-join the fray!

Naree didn't make a good first impression with Kangoo, as she relentlessly bullied him during early introductions! After Bryan stepped in and told her off, Naree changed her tune and now harasses Kangoo in a different way, by forcing him to sit still while she vigorously grooms him.

Rodders only took 13 months but finally decided that Kangoo is actually quite fun! He now spends more time playing with Kangoo than anyone else, though it occasionally ends in tears when they get too rough. We are dreading the day Rodders teaches Kangoo all of his bad habits!

Kangoo - As soon as his mother, Sasha, moved over to Bart's group, Kangoo began to flourish and thrive with his new family. Once they realised what a sweet and silly boy he is, he was accepted. Kangoo does his best to support Bryan when he is asserting himself over the others but really is a wimp and is sent packing with just a glare from any one of the girls!



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CAPUCHIN

By Donna Phillips, Katie Dobson, Toby Dipple

Winslow's Troop By Donna Phillips

Winslow has kept his position as much loved dominant male and is supported by his devoted females, Ester, Daisy and Babe. Dodger has found his place in the troop and spends much of his day with allies Bubbles,



of elderly females Leonie and Fifi. Jane now spends more time keeping Leonie's former sub-group of Molly, Pipa and Pride company, who feel more comfortable in the outside shelters and trees than getting caught up in the politics. These girls also spend more time with Babe which can only be a good thing for them. Debbie loves the sunshine, always being the last out and first in if it's raining! She likes a good wrestle with Onslow, but his affections firmly lie with Ruby. Ruby is a mid-ranker alongside Bubbles and Joanne, and quick to cry wolf over the slightest misdirected glance. The experienced Primate Care Staff have learnt their distinctive tantrums. Those seeking solace can often be found at the highest points of the enclosure. Be sure to look up when you visit as it always catches the best rays of sun if they need a little time out from life. Many of us can relate.

Donny's Troop (Formerly Franco's) By Katie Dobson

This time last year the group was led by Franco but over a relatively short period of time it became clear that Franco's position was no longer secure and that he had lost the backing of the group. Some serious fights ensued, and Primate Care Staff had to make the difficult decision to remove Franco from the group.

At first it seemed like the main instigator. Fabian, was going to take over as dominant male but despite being one of our smartest boys, Fabian still hasn't figured out how to win over the girls. Phillipe is too much of a softie to be dominant and William only ever seems to offend the ladies despite his best efforts to impress them. So, much to everyone's surprise, the girls have chosen **Donny** as their dominant male. Until this latest social upheaval Donny had been one of the lowest ranking males in the group and it's still a bit of a mystery as to why the girls backed him. Maybe they wanted a male who would let them have their own way? It's still not unheard of for Freda, Elisa and

Digit to join forces to give Donny a good telling off when he upsets them. Fiona seems to have gained confidence during the recent social upheaval and Marcy. Emily and Elvira have mostly stayed out of the drama. This year also saw the loss of the group's elderly matriarch Lucy who passed away in May. This was especially sad for Mary who was very close with Lucy but thankfully Mary has found a new friend in Olive and been spending lots of time together.

Gizmo's Troop By Katie Dobson



It's not very often that the words 'settled, stable, and relaxed' can be used to describe one of our capuchin groups, but that's exactly what been going on in Gizmo's this year.

Gizmo has kept himself busy foraging and plaving in his enclosure, but he always makes sure to have a good shout at his noisy neighbours, Hananya's chimps, whenever they disturb the peace. Dominant female Maddie often backs him up when she isn't too busy with her favourite pastime of hitting things with rocks. Maggie is usually too busy flirting with Primate Care Staff to take much notice of what anyone else is doing and Ginger would much rather enjoy a grooming session with Sophia than get too close to Gizmo when he gets himself all wound up. Chook has continued to grow in confidence and it's wonderful to see her settled with other capuchins after being rescued from the pet trade in 2019.



Erico's Troop By Toby Dipple

A house swap meant a move from the lodge to the capuchin complex and a new enclosure to explore.

There was the sad loss of elderly female Zoe and the arrival of Sonny from his old group. Sonny is a guiet and nervous boy but is making new friends and adapting to the politics of being a lower ranking member of the group. Dominant male Erico, and his sidekick Shawn, have accepted Sonny and seem fairly unfazed. Erico can be a nice natured, intelligent male, unfortunately his hormones regularly override and turn him into a disruptive nuisance!

Joining the boys in their general overexuberance and unpredictability is Louisa. Over the last few months she has become a little madam with lots of attitude and has quickly risen to the rank of dominant female. Joey is a cheery character, with questionable hygiene

habits, who likes to join the dominant boys when Louisa isn't about. Most of the group are now in their 30s and prefer to keep out of the way of this commotion. We are often asked about the balder individuals in this group as many of our elderly capuchins suffer from natural hair-loss and enjoy daily coconut oil to help their skin.

Phoenix seems happy to have given up her dominant role and would rather hang out with other low rankers than the dominant boys including scatty, black ball of fluff Scarlet and the quirky goblin-like Matty, who loves hoarding and stashing his loot in his shed! He is also a big fan of rocks and can often be heard bashing various parts of the enclosure! Spirited Binty is mellowing with age but always has a lot to say. Caesar has settled well in his new home and likes to watch visitors passing by. Ringo is very distinctive as the oldest (estimated 38) and baldest in the group but is a master pellet gatherer at feed times. Marlow is a bit of a worrier and seems lost if he loses sight of long-time companion Abby. She, meanwhile, is a feisty old lady who feels in her mind that she is actually the dominant male!



Caesar has settled well in his new home

Franco's Troop (Formerly Sonny's) By Donna Phillips

Where to start? As its name suggests, Franco joined the troop earlier in the year and quickly took over from former, and much respected, leader, Sonny,



The introduction process was lengthy, but we eventually got the whole troop "together". The hope was that they would co-exist more closely and accept each other's presence. The nine low rankers took to Franco but the other nine, including Bruce, were having none of it. Sonny was quick to become submissive to the stronger and more confident Franco but the ferocious females continued to reject the

new male. We knew that Franco needed to remain in this group, so we moved Sonny to Erico's troop. The absence of Sonny eliminated competition for Franco, however he still had to win-over the affections of the ladies. After several months we started to see the likes of Tallulah, Letitia, and Veronica spending time with Franco.

As the largest capuchin troop in the park, we have a lot of work on our hands to try and keep everyone happy. Unfortunately, Scrapper lost part of her tail during the introductions after sustaining an injury, becoming the third animal in the troop with a shortened tail. Mole used to be good company for Letitia at feed times but she now shares with Franco. Tallulah, Veronica and Tia are often referred to as the "three-headed monster"- you don't mess with them as Franco guickly realised! He was often found sitting just outside the tunnel while they guarded the door. They are big personalities and it's nice to see that Tallulah has begun to settle more. Veronica has a close bond with Terri who can't eat a meal without Veronica's supervision or

incessant grooming. Mini has become a good friend to Terri and both greet our visitors at the playroom window. Bruce spends time with anyone that will sit still for long enough and is careful where to place his allegiances.

The large forest enclosure has needed a lot of maintenance work this year following hurricanes and heavy rain. Restricted access has heightened tensions for the low rankers and Babs has struggled the most but remains in high spirits, tactfully gaining the affections of Franco, as has Jenny with Lizzy often on the receiving end of her affections. Dot is dubbed the old lady of the group, of which there are many. Laura is the feistiest and once the dominants are shut off across the hall for the night, she tells them off! She's regularly backed up by the courageous Cecelia. Barbara seems to be in her own happy world and is a much loved character, often bumping into the likes of Jill with their heads down amongst the foliage flushing out the insects. And how could we forget Mushroom?! She's flirty, beautiful, and full of mischief with the confidence to worm her way around just about anyone.

HANANYA'S COMMUNITY



Hananya's group remain the most unruly group in the park, with daily squabbles that come seemingly from nowhere. You can never count on a quiet day at Hananya's, but you can be assured that once night-time comes, every chimp will be tucked in with a nest to be jealous of, all enjoying their beauty sleep.

Hananya still struggles with his role as dominant male at times, and often looks like he's had enough of the group's antics and squabbling to last him a lifetime. When he tries to discipline the group or display, it usually just ends up with more squabbling!

Arfur is often mistaken for an elderly chimp with his grey hair and bald back, but he's actually middle aged, and behaves like a teenager! He can be a spotted playing with different members of the group, but he has the best play sessions with youngster Thelma.

Semach never changes, he's a relaxed and playful boy, who has time for all the chimps in the group. He also doesn't demand a lot, content with entertaining

himself, but you can count on him showing his face hopes of a quick game of chase along the fence line or maybe even some sneaky treats.



Hananya & Simor

Simon has two sides, and you want to make sure you're not on his bad side! He'll always find fun, even if it's at someone else's expense, and he particularly enjoys teaming up with Thelma and teaching her his naughty

Cherri still treasures her daughter Thelma and in her eyes, she can do no wrong- this is not true! We noticed Thelma taking food off Cherri, and Cherri giving it up without a fight. Concerned Cherri might not be getting enough food we started giving her daily porridge, which she now begs us for every day, iust in case we forget!

Honey is as sweet as her name. She is one of the most trouble-free chimps at the park. It would be nice for her to have more chimp friends, but she does very well for a low-ranking individual, getting plenty of food at meal times and always having a nice nest ready for a cosy nights' sleep.

Eveline isn't people focused so her true personality is reserved strictly for the other chimps. She is often involved in the dramas of the group, but this isn't saying much with the amount that this group squabble!

Jess can be very fussy with her morning contraceptive pill. If there isn't a nice yellow banana for a reward, she doesn't want it or if there's too much iuice in the cup containing her pill, she will walk away. It's important the females all have their pill daily, as we don't want any unexpected pregnancies. Luckily she's very good at opening her mouth on command to prove to Primate Care Staff she has actually swallowed her pill!

Johni maintains her dominant female role, but her chimp social skills still leave much to be desired. Her idea of being dominant female is to tell off random chimps at will, with no clear reason to us - or her- why she's disciplining

Kiki's favourite game is spinning around on hosing so quickly it makes anyone watching get dizzy. Kiki is often mistaken for a voungster by visitors, with her pink face & playful antics, but she's fully grown. Like many of our chimps, Kiki never got to live out her juvenile years due to her tragic life prior to rescue.

Kuki is a reactive chimp who doesn't have many friends. As a low-ranking chimp in the group, Kuki can't get away with much so takes her chance to push Zeynep around and steal her food whenever she can. She has a soft spot for Thelma and can occasionally have a laugh and a play. But this is often more worrying than reassuring, as play with Kuki is usually followed by a fight!

Marjoline can be temperamental, just like Kuki. She loves a good play session, but if anyone takes it tiny bit too far or is a little too rough, Marj will make sure everyone hears about it. She's very good at holding a grudge!

the hierarchy: she doesn't have the stress of being a dominant female but avoids the pressures of those at the bottom. She's flies under the radar: her effective solution of going unnoticed involves always being covered in a blanket. Cosy and practical!

Patricia holds a good position in

Thelma seems to never grow up. She's 10 and should be mostly independent from mum Cherri, yet she often relies on her mum at feed times and nest building. However, the last few months have seen a change, as she nests down alone and only sometimes steals her mum's food. Maybe there is hope for our youngest

Trudy is a lower-ranking member of the group, and often alone, but recently has been playing with one of the most temperamental and unpredictable chimps, Marjoline. We hope this blossoming friendship gives Trudy more confidence and mellows out Mari

Tutti seems to be more mellow this year. She will get involved in politics and support Johni, but equally she uses the distraction of other chimps squabbling to grab armfuls of food. Being high ranking means no one stops her as she scarpers with plenty of

Valerie is one of the few true friends of Marioline, having arrived together from a laboratory. When things are tense, Valerie will seek out Marioline for comfort. While sweet looking, she doesn't shy away from confrontations. Valerie has had some minor cuts and scrapes, which she shows to PCS as if her arm is falling off, but in reality the wound can barely be seen!

Zevnep remains the lowest ranking individual and although she rarely does any wrong, when she is picked on, her response is usually an over-dramatic scream which doesn't defuse the situation. Unfortunately she is often target of Thelma's childish tantrums and Kuki's plight to annoy everyone. Because of this, all the staff have a soft spot for Zeynep and she gets extras to make sure she's not losing weight.



Loris House of B's

Bu & Bobbi have been spending a lot of time together and are often found cuddled up in a basket together and in the morning can be spotted having a brief grooming session. Bobbi loves to explore her house looking for lots of bugs, waxworms are her favourite, whereas Bu prefers a more slow and relaxed life. They enjoy the enrichment the staff put in, which introduces new smells and gives them new ways of foraging for their food to keep them busy throughout the day.



Axl, Nicki and Nora had been living separately but we wanted to try and get them together as a group. Introductions were slow, starting with the two girls until we added the not so well-mannered Axl Rose. He struggled to contain his excitement being with two girls and would often get frustrated with their need to take things slow. Nevertheless, we powered on, with Primate Care Staff visiting the park after hours when their lights changed to white light to watch them bed down together. After a few months of close monitoring. we can finally say we have a happy Bengal slow loris group! AxI still gets frustrated from time to time but the girls have no problem telling him off in the form of chitters and pant growls. Primate Care Staff have been lucky enough to catch Axl playing with the girls, a very good indication of happy loris and now that they are spending more time outside, you may be able to see the trio yourselves!





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WOOLLY MONKEY UPDATE By Sharon Perry

Bachelor's Group

The bachelor woolly group is small but mighty. with some big characters! Paulo was dominant from the start, but has been overtaken by younger, bigger, and boisterous Claud. It was an unexpected change in their relationship,



appeared to have a strong friendship. However, when monkey politics come into play, friendship goes out of the window. The driving factor in the break down was the fact both boys are incredibly food focused, and as Claud outgrew Paulo in size and attitude, he was no longer willing to let Paulo dominate at feed times. The two have had a couple of serious head to heads, but the verdict is in, and Claud rules for now. Cassius has adjusted to the transition with ease. He is a neutral member of the group and gets on with everyone. He is a calm character and as he appears to have no interest in getting involved with group tensions, his presence actually seems to reduce them. He spends his time grooming and playing with the others, a real peacekeeper. The introduction of Enzo, the newest arrival in the group, went far more smoothly than we could have hoped for, especially since when he previously lived with Paulo, he found Paulo's boisterous behaviour intimidating.

The two now get along well, and although not overly close they are content with each other's company. Enzo does however find Claud overbearing and tends to give him a wide birth. Cassius also found a friend in Enzo, though Enzo's wicked streak likes to push sensitive Cassius just to prove himself more dominant.



Mani's Group

There have been a lot of changes for this group and they are still a little unsure and unsettled. Mani and Carlos swapped with Enzo, which didn't go down as well as we expected with the girls. First, Mani and Carlos needed to establish who was going to be dominant, and larger, older Mani won that contest. Mani is

not the most confident boy, and still needs some time and

experience to fulfil his role as dominant male. There are some very head strong girls in this group, which makes Mani's iob challenging. Mother and daughter, Pacaja and Oriana have ruled ruthlessly in the past, but this past year, Pacaja has had health issues and lost her position as dominant female.

Luckily, Oriana is now dominant, still has respect for her mum, and the two are very close. Ayla, the other adult female of the group, is very intelligent and has worked on strengthening her friendship with Oriana, therefore increasing her position within the group. Young sisters Enva and Esme are still inseparable. They are close in age, and are both working through the tough adolescent stage together. They still find plenty of time for play and are able to

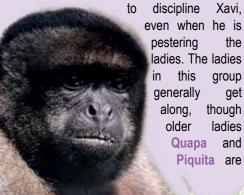
encourage the adults in play sessions, particularly the boys. Mani can appear incredibly serious, but he loves letting his guard down and having a good wrestle with the kids. These play sessions help reduce tension in the group and bring everyone together. Enya has to be careful with

her interactions with certain group members as she begins to near adulthood, but she has found Carlos's soft side, and often sticks close to him for protection if anyone is trying to give her a tough time. This group is still finding its way, but we are hopeful that the group dynamics will begin to

straighten out.



Chippy heads up this stable group of seven and stands out as a dominant male. He is an incredibly handsome chap, and charges around performing impressive displays to show any onlookers he is the boss and this is his territory! Xavi, Chippy's subordinate, is noticeably smaller and is understandably wary, though Chippy never feels the need

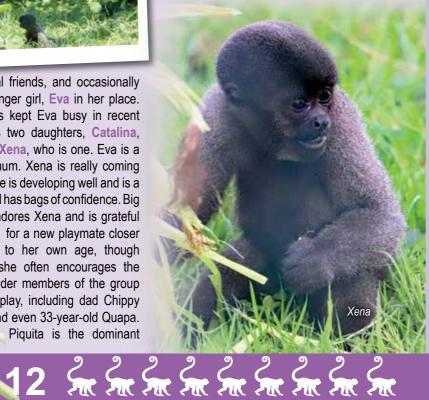




strong and loyal friends, and occasionally put cheeky younger girl, Eva in her place. Motherhood has kept Eva busy in recent years. She has two daughters, Catalina, three, and little Xena, who is one. Eva is a good yet firm mum. Xena is really coming into her own. She is developing well and is a bundle of fun and has bags of confidence. Big sister Catalina adores Xena and is grateful

for a new playmate closer to her own age, though she often encourages the older members of the group to play, including dad Chippy and even 33-year-old Quapa. Piguita is the dominant

female of the group and is quite a formidable lady when she wants to be. She quite enjoys putting a stop to Catalina's playtime antics if she's not in the mood. Overall, Chippy's troop is our most established group, and we love watching how the voungsters have brought a little rejuvenation into their lives.



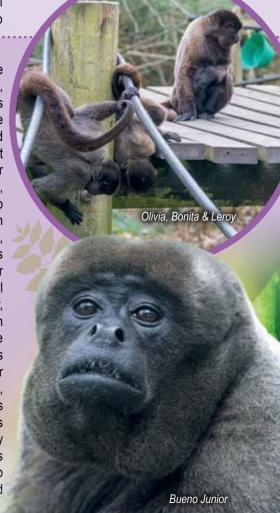
Levar's Group



Levar's troop- Xingu in front

Levar heads up his group of nine, the largest woolly group at the park. Despite turning 33 this summer, he's in good shape, and performs impressive displays, proving he's still in charge....even if he gets a bit stiff afterwards! His subordinates Bueno Junior and Cosmo are bigger in size and strength but still show Levar respect, and keep a distance to avoid conflict. Neither seem interested in taking over as dominant male. The occasional tensions are always connected to the ladies, Pichihua in particular. She has the boys wrapped around her finger and there can be competition for

her attention. Pichihua gets along with the other females, Xingu and daughter Olivia, but they are dominant over her, so she is cautious in her flirtatious behaviour. She has happily taken on the role of aunty and appears to have a strong maternal instinct even though she has never been a mother herself. Levi, Xingu's son, and Bonita, Olivia's daughter, were born less than two weeks apart, and are never far from each other. Together with three-year-old Leroy, Xingu's older son, they create hilarious entertainment for the rest of the group! Their energy never seems to subside and as well as being perfect playmates for each other, nobody in the group can resist playtime with the kids. Cosmo and Leroy have become good buddies and Cosmo has taught his new side kick plenty of bad habits! Levar loves a good wrestle with the little ones, and he always lets them win. Even mums Xingu and Olivia can't keep up the serious pretence of dominant females when they are having their tails yanked and heads slapped- they give in and the whole group can be then seen chasing, playing and chuckling amongst themselves.









STUMP-TAILED MACAQUES



quickest, he does a very good job of being respectful. Sylvie is starting to show her age and this year our main focus has been to keep her happy and healthy, but it hasn't affected her mobility and she continues to run laps around the boys when they're being an annoyance. Their outdoor enclosure had a revamp, widening the fence line to make it bigger. In doing so we added some extra fun into the enclosure with old logs, which they spend hours picking at with their nimble fingers hoping to have a snack of bugs they



BACHELOR BOYS

By Shaun Crompton



The bachelors are plodding along as ever despite the sad loss of many key group members in recent years. In the last days of 2022, we lost one of our original chimps, Sammy. His kind nature will be missed by all.

Butch is one of the oldest in the group and tries to enjoy a slower pace of life these days. He is often found napping in a large comfy day nest. But being one of the bachelor's means his peace never lasts long, and he frequently has to get up to deal with whatever chaos Paco has caused!

Buxom gets jealous over the attention his brother, Jestah, gets when being moisturised. This means Primate Care Staff also have to moisturise him, even though he doesn't really need it. However, it's definitely worth it to stay in Buxom's good books!

Carli is a summer chimp and now the colder weather is here he's decided it's not worth going outside in the mornings with the rest of his group. Primate Care Staff have had to come up with new routines for moving Çarli or they'd never get any cleaning done!



Freddy is always happy to help by unblocking slides that all the big boys block up with heaps of bedding every day. We are grateful for Fred's help, and he is obliging as long as there's a treat in it for him. We have to be careful rewarding him too much though as he's not exactly skinny!

Jestah is still a bit anxious of Paco as Paco is not his biggest fan despite them both being close to Buxom. Jestah does his best to win him over with play and grooming but Paco only seems to want Buxom. PCS often see those two playing while Jestah sits between them looking left out.

Kyko is guite well behaved, for a chimp, but occasionally shows off his cheekier side. During some recent filming for Monkey Life the crew fitted a go pro camera inside the boy's enclosure. None of the boys cared apart from Kyko who spent the rest of the day trying to remove and break the camera! Thankfully it was fitted securely, though we can't help but wonder what he would've

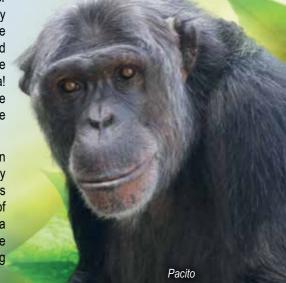
Mojo has struggled for years to be in better standing with the big boys, and finally seems to be getting somewhere. Paco likes to sit and groom with him and Mojo is one of the few chimps in the group who can get a laugh out of Buxom. He doesn't forget the little guys and is still regularly seen playing with Rocky and Seamus.

Pacito is possibly the loudest chimp in his group, which is saying something. This is never truer than when PCS staff are too slow in giving him his morning porridge, as the ensuing tantrum drowns out all other noise in the house.

Paco hasn't figured out how to be a good dominant male. He excels at displays to show off his strength and power, but when a fight breaks out and it's time to do some peace keeping, he usually runs away to tell Bart's group off instead!

Rocky is one of the more level headed members of the group and does his best to keep the drama to a minimum. It's a shame big boy Paco doesn't take a leaf out of Rocky's book, things would certainly be a lot quieter!

Seamus is easy to please. Primate Care Staff have frequently found him sat alone. slapping his own thighs and laughing at how they jiggle! This can keep him busy for quite a while but draws confused looks from his group



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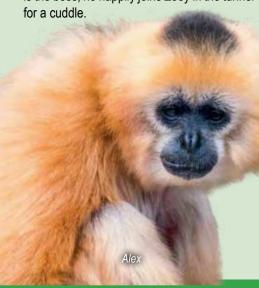
GIBBON UPDATE By Sarah Howells

Golden-Cheeked Gibbons



Sadly this year we said goodbye to our elderly female golden-cheeked gibbon Vietta. As she left her partner Tito behind, we made plans to find him a new partner. This involved some gibbons moving house and then later in the year renovations meant a few more moves on the gibbon section.

Jake & Zoev have moved to our off show enclosure that Tito and Vietta previously occupied. They settled in well and seem calmer away from the noisy neighbours at main house. However, they now have some capuchins and chimps for neighbours, which keeps Jake on his toes as he has a lot to watch and a lot of people to tell off! Zoey finds the long tunnel an excellent spot to relax and sunbathe. Once Jake has shown everyone he is the boss, he happily joins Zoey in the tunnel for a cuddle.



Tien & Kim continue to enjoy their bit of gibbon paradise in the Pine Forest enclosure. Kim is a confident lady whereas Tien is more sensitive. He can be scared by little things like the leaf-blower coming past or the woolly's displaying next door, but this gorgeous couple will always find comfort in each other's company.

Peanut & Pung-Yo - These two have amazed us how well they've dealt with the renovation work going on in their house. Despite the reduced bedroom space whilst the refurbishment is completed, they've taken it in their stride, and taken full advantage of the mild autumn weather by relaxing together in their enclosure. Peanut is hoping for a new balloon basket as an early Christmas present!

Alex & Tito - After the tragic loss of Vietta, the team introduced Tito to Alex. She is our only single golden-cheeked female and has had a difficult past both with medical issues and chequered history with previous males. With Tito's gentle nature we hoped he'd be the one to win her over. They are doing well and have been singing a duet, which is a positive sign. Tito is on the same diet as Alex to manage her diabetes and both

Teo is a star pupil and has excelled at his health check training! He is very food motivated, intelligent, and picks up behaviours quickly. He is perfect at accepting an injection and has learnt to present his chest for the stethoscope in just a few sessions!

Mikado is a highly strung individual who exhibits stereotypical behaviours - a consequence of his mother dying when he was an infant and then being hand-reared. He too has moved enclosure when the siamang pair moved into the gibbon complex. It is a little confusing for him but the team are keeping him busy and distracted with new enrichment ideas.





Mueller's gibbons:

Nini & Dalumie's relationship is going from strength to strength! They sing their beautiful Mueller's duet daily. Dalumie is the boss of the couple and is not shy about it. Fortunately, Nini has a sensible head and knows when to keep out of her way.

Fox - Since losing his partner Ella we tried to introduce Fox to Alex but she rejected him. He has been living on his own for a while and gets extra attention from the Primate Care

peaceful year, though quite a few

Staff for now. It is not ideal and we will continue to try him alongside of our other two bachelors to see if a male pair, or trio, can be established.

Agile & Lar gibbons:

Paul & Kitty - These two are the odd couple of the gibbon section, both in species and personality. Kitty can be keeper focused and watches the cleaning to ensure we're doing a good job, but if there is someone she has to tell off she will shoot outside, showing off her speed and agility before returning to her bedroom. Paul enjoys watching the public instead, singing and swinging in front of the viewing window and waiting for his next squeaky toy!

MALAGASY LEMURS By Steph Sawyer



individuals are starting to show signs of their age. Lemurs live to 20-25 in captivity, and many of our group are approaching or are now into their twenties. Dominant female Fennel is definitely getting less involved in scuffles these days, though the males still show her a lot of respect, and she'll still chase of the younger members if they get too close to her food. Renton is never far from her side, preferring her company over any other. Indiana is

looking quite sprightly for his age, though his twin brother Cirrius has had some issues with arthritis which Primate Care Staff will need to monitor. Handsome Himal has found himself slightly lower down in the ranks and now has his diet supplemented. Younger male Al has stepped up in the ranks but is careful not to overstep when Fennel is nearby. Younger twins Kurt and Friedrich are their usual

chaotic selves, and are high-ranking boys now, particularly Kurt who is relatively unchallenged these days with the rest of the boys not really caring for a scrap now that they are older.



Siamang Gibbons

Sam & Sasak took the move to a new house in their stride following a bit of time getting them familiar with their transport boxes. It took a while for them to get used to the other gibbons at main house and that works both ways with the others getting used to Sam and Sasak's duet in closer proximity that usual! Sam dotes on Sasak, grooming her eyes until she lets him know to move on. It shouldn't be too much longer before the renovations are complete, and they can return to their

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SPIDER MONKEYS

By Donna Phillips

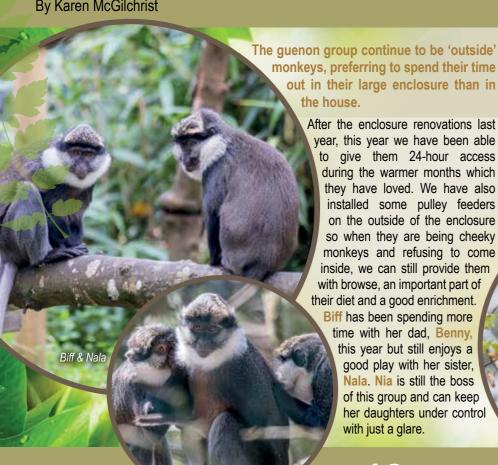


Each year the spider monkeys continue to enjoy life at the park, the sunshine that hits their tunnels, the enclosure, and chatting to our visitors.

Pumpkin seems to be settling from her previous domineering character and generally leaves the boys alone. She still makes sure she never gets left out when Primate Care Staff arrive, but that will never change. Flint is less reactive to changes to the furniture or his neighbours and now revels in his own enjoyment. Hickory has grown in confidence enormously over the past year. Historically he has struggled to ensure he gets his share of food but with the help of operant conditioning, Hickory now joins in most group feeds and bundles up in the tunnel with the others on morning releases from the house.

GUENON HOUSE

By Karon McGilchrist



SAKI MONKEY

By Steph Sawye

It's been a huge change for saki monkey Desmond, with the very sad passing of female Chloe in the latter half of this year.

Chloe reached the grand old age of 30 and was starting to become slower and quieter. She passed peacefully in her sleep, which whilst sad, was the nicest end we could ask for such a sweet old lady. All of the Primate Care Staff loved her, especially her ridiculous high-pitched squeals whenever she ate something she really liked! She will be missed. Desmond is doing well, and since Chloe has passed has become more engaged in enrichment, so we are being sure to provide him with plenty to occupy him. He at least has some company still in the form of male marmoset Loki, who lives harmoniously with Desmond, but isn't above trying to beat Desmond to all the tastiest bits at mealtimes. despite being a fraction of his size!



PATAS MONKEY

UPDATE

By Elle Lomas

Both patas monkeys are settled into their life at the park.

Mr.P is as handsome as ever (doesn't he know it) and very healthy too, continuing to bounce and pounce around his enclosure using the loose branches as trampolines. Penelope, our frail old lady, is aging gracefully. This year she developed a cataract in her right eye which means her vision will be impared or blind in this eye. To help her we added some extra ladders and branches in anticipation of her finding it harder to get around but she's still an



independent woman and can jump a fair distance! Mr.P has kept his dominance over Penelope this year, establishing that he is the alpha male and boss unlike when he arrived. If food is involved, Mr.P has no manners with the old lady and will devour it all to himself but with his training sessions of co-operative feeding, his etiquette has vastly improved.



LETTER FROM THE EDITOR



At the time of writing this I am just about to head off to work with our team on Dao Tien in Vietnam. It is a very exciting time gearing up for our releases of golden-cheeked gibbons, black-shanked douc, and pygmy loris. The Endangered Asian Species Trust (EAST UK registered charity 1115350) was founded by Jim and me in 2006, with a goal to assist the Vietnamese government in protecting and keeping their primates in Vietnam. 17 years later, our Dao Tien Endangered Primate Rescue Centre is working hard to rehabilitate and release endangered primates from the illegal trade back into the wild. None of this could be achieved without the dedication and tireless work of our 12 strong Dao Tien team. They are an inspiration. Have a look at www. go-east.org to find out more.



It has been wonderful to see that so many of you have written to your MPs and to the Animal Welfare Minister, The Rt Hon Lord Benyon of Englefield. The replies have been interesting to say the least, suggesting that there is going to be a ban on the keeping of primates as pets in UK, which is not the case. As things stand currently, legislation is being drafted to set standards for all callitrichids (marmosets and tamarins) but not for any of the other species such as squirrel monkeys, capuchins, or lemurs that

are also commonly kept as pets. Please feel free to respond to your MP with this information and let them know that Monkey World would be more than happy to discuss matters with them. I worry that not enough will be done to protect individuals like Louisa

the amputee capuchin that spent 20+ years in a parrot cage or Kimbo the squirrel monkey that was sold for £5,900 to a family who kept him in a bird cage until they realised that he needed more...a family of his own kind and a more natural environment. Please help us to help them.

As our rescued primates age, it is a sad fact that we will lose some of them sooner than others and some of them before their time. Marmosets or chimpanzees, it is never easy and my condolences and thoughts are with all of our Primate Care Staff who work tirelessly day in and day out. To the family and friends of Susan Banford, Paul Bradley, Fran Collier, Edward & Heather Cooper, Irene Dimmock, Tony Eden, Katherine Horton, Lynn Leverett, Sheila Morris, Jeanette O'Mant, Maurice Perrett, Margaret Proud, Tracy Thorpe, Deborah Townsend, and Alexander Williams we are thinking of you and are sorry for your loss.

Without help and support, Monkey World could not continue to rescue and care for monkeys and

apes from around the globe. This year we are so happy to work with a local company **Organix** who have generously donated a year's supply of baby rice which helps to feed all our marmosets from the UK pet trade. They are a small team, making a great product and a difference. **A. F. Suter & Co.**

in Essex have also been a great help suppling our loris and marmosets with 6 months of Arabic lump gum. Thank you so much. And last, but never least, to all of you, our **Adoptive Parents**, your enthusiasm, interest, and support is a great help and support. We have more rescues on the horizon, and I look forward to filling you all in when the time comes!

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

Olison Cronin