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

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LEMURS ARRIVE FROM UK PET TRADE

By Alison Cronin & Sharon Perry



The lemurs at their previous home

In January we were approached by a private owner of 11 ring-tailed lemurs to find out if Monkey World could give them a home.

As it happens our elderly group of ring-tail lemurs have a large forest enclosure with several small houses in the woodland. With only seven lemurs in our Malagasy enclosure, we were able to offer the new lemurs a home and started considering if it was time to refurbish some of the old housing. In February we agreed to collect the four male lemurs and planned to return for the ladies at a later date.

The owner had originally purchased a male and female lemur in 2007 having built an enclosure with indoor and outdoor areas. The male arrived with a limp which persisted, and the local vet eventually diagnosed a dislocated knee and made the decision to amputate the leg. With only one leg, Ben, the father of all the others gets around pretty well. Sadly, the female died a few years ago leaving Ben with their 10 offspring of three males and seven females. Lemurs can be



Checking out the transport boxes

very territorial and aggressive and a few years ago the owner of the lemurs built a second house and enclosure so that his ring-tailed lemurs could be split into two separate troops and that is how they have lived for the past few years.

At the start of February we collected Ben and his three sons that we named Steve, Dave and Trevor. On arrival at the park the boys an initial health check and microchip. All four were in excellent condition. We let them recover in our new baboon house and started planning the introduction to each other (Ben lived with Steve and Dave was living with Trevor) as well as to our own lemurs.

Lemurs are notorious for being difficult to introduce to newcomers, so we knew we needed to proceed carefully. We moved three of our older males, Himal, Indiana, and Cirrius to the house to begin introductions. Even though Ben was at a disadvantage with limited mobility his maturity and calm nature meant he was easily accepted by our males. The three younger boys, Steve, Trevor and Dave have more limited social skills, and were more reactive when introduced, but some subtle telling off from our lads quickly put them in their place without the need for physical aggression. We did short but frequent introductions over several weeks.



The lemurs had two outside enclosures and were in good condition



Alison collected the four boys and got two to walk into their transport boxes!

Although Ben did well during the introductions, we had concerns for his mobility in the woodland, so we introduced Ben to our only female, Fennel. They have been moved to the guenon house currently where attempts will be made to see if the two species can co-exist together. The remaining six lemurs were moved back to our Malagasy enclosure to meet our other older male Renton, while our younger males, Kurt, Friedrich, and Al were moved to the baboon house until the Malagasy renovations are complete. Next steps will be to get our three younger males living with Renton, Cirrius, Himal, Indiana, Steve, Dave, & Trevor and then to start bringing the ladies to the park! It has been a whirlwind experience, but we hope things continue to go as well as they have so far. Under close supervision by our knowledgeable and experienced team, we should soon have a cohesive group of ring-tailed lemurs living in our beautiful Malagasy woodland.



Dave



The boys had a medical check



Himal, Indiana & Trevor



There are six lemurs in this photo - can you see them all!

CHOCOLAT CATCH UP

By Shaun Crompton



Chocolat



Bryan's group inside

After making a good start with her introductions to Bryan, Kangoo, Naree and Ash, Chocolat continued to strengthen her bonds with her new chimp family over the winter.

The only real drama happening at the time was the ongoing squabbling between Bryan and Ash over who's the boss (it's definitely still Ash) which Chocolat initially kept out of but as she became more established in the group she started to involve herself and pick a side and, unfortunately for poor Bry, Chocolat is firmly on Team Ash!

As she prefers to keep herself to herself and avoid any drama, Lulu didn't show much interest in the introductions at first but did eventually decide to greet the newcomer. True to form, Lulu gave Chocolat the briefest of hellos before carrying on with her life as if nothing had changed. Choc was initially a bit upset

that Lu didn't want to interact with her more but quickly accepted it and has since been respectful of Lulu's personal space, which Lu seems to appreciate as she now frequently chases off Bry and Kangoo if they become too boisterous around Chocolat.

Finally, it was time to add problem child Rodders into the mix. With him historically being very difficult during introductions, PCS braced for all hell to break loose. Though Rodders was very nervous on their first meeting at the mesh, Chocolat reassured him and very quickly won him over, prompting PCS to open the slide between them where they proceeded to have the biggest hug before spending the rest of the morning rolling about playing and making one another laugh. It could not have gone any better.

After a few weeks of letting her new friendships develop, the group was gradually brought back together fully for the first time since Chocolat's arrival and have stayed together ever since. She still has a few more hurdles to overcome such as going outside into the enclosure but Chocolat has done amazingly well slotting in so seamlessly into a well-established chimp group despite her physical disadvantages and years of isolation from her own species. She is one resilient little lady and the PCS could not be more proud of her and her new family.



Chocolat watching Bryan grooming



Chocolat & Rodders

KIWI & SIBU CATCH UP

By Donna Phillips



Sibü & Kiwi in their bedroom at the nursery



Kiwi using Sibü as a pillow!

Kiwi and Sibü are starting to turn into a force to be reckoned with. They have begun to enjoy each other's company more, playing, wrestling and sometimes snuggling up together.

As close as they are, the gloves are off when it comes to their milk feeds, each eager to be the first. On occasions I've had to do both at the same time - when it's been impossible to leave one behind or if they're both equally hungry - tantrums will erupt.

Kiwi is starting to mellow. She is less testing and instead become very tolerant of nappy changes and has progressed well with simple operant conditioning routines that we have put in place such as stationing for us to get out of the bedroom safely. She loves to play with the hand-rearing team wildly, making the most of our more tolerant stance when Sibü isn't feeling up for it.

We have seen a lot of changes in Sibü over the past couple of months. Several of his teeth are through and he now has



Kiwi is strong and enjoys all corners of the bedroom

good co-ordination of all his limbs, doing his best to keep up with Kiwi as they tear around the bedrooms. His favourite thing is to make as much noise as possible with the large plastic bottles, bashing them around. Both also enjoy the attention gained from a moisturising session to keep their skin nice and supple.

Kiwi is quite sensitive to the louder noises of the older animals in the house, especially when Bulu Mata throws his weight around to the annoyance of the others. However she enjoys going out into the small section of outer tunnel when the weather is warm enough to enjoy



Kiwi and Sibü have been exploring the outer tunnel on sunny days

the sunshine. Sibü, on the other hand, relishes in watching the others and is often fascinated by their antics.

As we speak, the playroom area for them is under construction. When it's complete, it will give them more space and allow them to be in closer proximity to the rest of the group at the nursery. We all enjoy seeing them change each day and hope their bond will last as they continue to develop.



Sibü and Kiwi often snuggle up together

UK Pet Trade – What Now??

By Charlie Crowther



The UK pet trade is no longer unregulated!

Since the 6th April, primate owners in England must apply for a license from their local authority, submit to inspections, and provide zoo level care and welfare for their primates. They have a year, until the 6th April 2026, to complete these steps, and then anyone without a license or substandard conditions could face an unlimited fine and confiscation of the primate.

The only dark cloud on this amazing news is that the guidance on what zoo-level standards are, for both owners and local authorities, is over a year in late in publication. It has been made available to stakeholders very recently (Alison has seen them, as a member of the steering committee who advised on the standards) but at time of writing they have not yet been made public. This leaves owners and the local authority with reduced time to get their houses in order before enforcement- and crucially, it leaves pet monkeys suffering for longer.

Fingers crossed the government kicks into gear & produces this documentation soon to protect primates.

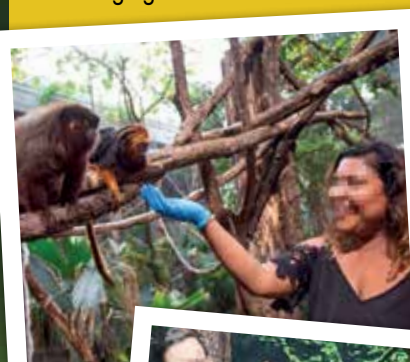


The new law means no more monkeys left struggling in tiny bird cages

Practise What You Preach

During the fight against the unregulated pet trade, many zoos and UK wildlife organisations came out in full support of a ban on privately kept primates- fantastic to have everyone on the same hymn sheet.

So why are so many accredited zoos still advertising animal experiences, feeding and handling wild animals? Surely this is mixed messaging?



Meet the monkeys at London Zoo



Get To Know Animals, Epping



Animal experiences at Hoo Farm, Telford

We applaud all zoos and safari parks for moving away from these practises, no matter how lucrative, and showing the public that hands off is hands down the best way to appreciate wildlife!

Un-caring Homes

In the Spring 2024 chronicle we announced a worrying loophole of the licensing act, the rule to allow exhibiting primates, and the upward trend of seeing them used in care homes.



Sadly this has seen HUGE growth and we are getting several reports each month on care homes around the country who have been visited by squirrel monkeys to entertain their residents.

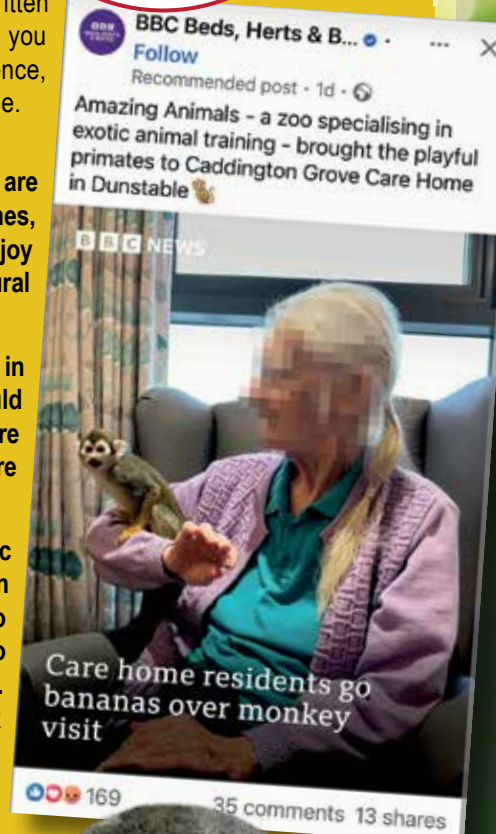
Many of our supporters expressed disbelief that squirrel monkeys sat on people's shoulders as "therapy" is allowed in this country- and yet many companies are now targeting care homes in their advertising.



We will post a copy of the letter we have written to these care homes on our website. If you see care homes advertising this experience, please do highlight the issues that we raise.

Key points are:

- Monkeys are WILD animals. They are generally well armed with large canines, cannot be domesticated and do NOT enjoy being held or handled. This is not natural behaviour and is damaging.
- Handling is outlined as bad practise in the primate licensing act- so this should still apply on exhibited animals. These are the SAME animals with the SAME welfare requirements.
- Primates can exchange zoonotic diseases. Humans and monkeys can pass viruses, parasites and diseases to one another, including but not limited to e-coli, salmonella, herpes and worms. The residents of the care home are at risk from the monkeys as well as vice versa.



Adoptive Parent Permissions

We want to speak to you more!

We would like to add to the ways we contact you. In future we would love to be able to update you by email on new arrivals at the park, and any upcoming events, or important news. This will NOT replace the Ape Rescue Chronicle which will continue to be published three times a year, but will mean we can send you news more often!

In the next month we will send out a welcome email to the email address we have on file. You can of course unsubscribe to the email at any time if you do not wish to hear from us. This will not affect the rest of your adoption package in any way.

Social Media Crackdown



Facebook, and other social media sites have been pushing the illegal trade in primates for years now, whether through the pet trade, normalising primates acting unnaturally, so-called "funny" or "cute" videos, or outright torture posts. It's seemed a huge issue to tackle and as ever we need your help and support to do so.

Social media sites need to take more action themselves- but this may be a lengthy and

painful battle to get them to moderate more content. In the meantime, we'd like you to help us tackle the posts from the grassroots, one at a time.

We want to build a community that can mass report any examples of animal abuse- even the ones that less educated souls might find "funny".

Please join our Facebook Group "Report Primate Abuse on Social Media Posts" and help the community there crackdown on these posts. By mass reporting posts we hope it will shut down the offending pages and remove the incentive.

Five go wild!



Kizzy with her collar post-release

In September 2024, golden-cheeked gibbons Kizzy and Dong were fitted with GPS/satellite collars in preparation for release in the monsoon forest of South Vietnam..

Collars are vital to enable us to follow the gibbons, monitor their behaviour and provide supportive feeding until they find their home range, and trees to provide food all year round. A ground team check them in person daily and then remote GPS fixes are taken via the iridium satellite network. In all our years of releasing gibbons, this is the first time satellite collars are small enough to comfortably deploy on a gibbon.

A date was chosen for Dr Savvy and specialist veterinary collaring team to fit the collars. We simply had to get the family group of five, living happily in our 4ha forested enclosure into a capture cage. This turned into a massive challenge as Kizzy and Dong had not been in a cage for nearly eight years, and their offspring never! Over time Kizzy and her children were entering the cage but not the adult male Dong, who relied on his daughters to bring food out to him.



Kizzy's transfer team

Finally with Mr Binh's help we captured Dong. However the next morning, Dong had scraped his face on the mesh, which was red and swollen, with one eye completely closed. Phuong and Phuc worked their magic to calm him down and make the cage safe for him. By collaring time his face had healed, and both eyes were fine. We planned to collar him first and had fabricated

a special transfer cage where he could not hurt himself, and extra vets on standby to supervise him all the way.

Thankfully it all went to plan; Dong was darted quickly with no complications, the collar fitted perfectly and he remained calm in his special transfer box. Kizzy, watching this but also being a strong mother, had other issues, so fought the anaesthesia, but finally succumbed. She woke up to give us the deadliest stares- no way was she going to go in a cage again- which is perfect!

The cages were carried to the boat, then onto a truck for 90 minutes where we met a team of rangers ready with poles to carry the two cages deep in to a beautiful patch of continuous forest, fruit tree rich and empty of gibbons.

Post-release monitoring

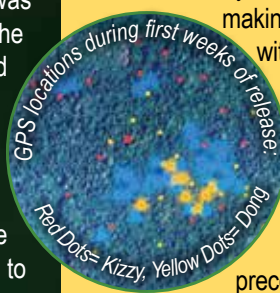
Ka Lai tracking Kizzy

Now it was the time for our monitoring team, Binh and Chau- supported by Cat Tien rangers to take care of Kizzy's family.

Surprisingly the distance between Kizzy and Dong was high. For the first two weeks Kizzy and her youngest infant Fizzy travelled north 600m, we believe she was checking out a wild male. Dong and Bich, the oldest offspring, tried to follow but both came back to their base. We considered intervention options, but Kizzy knew exactly where her male, family, and extra food were. Kizzy was

making the decision that a wild male with territory was a better bet than her male, with no territory and unknown risks. We monitored until a large storm hit, and the next day Kizzy was back with Dong, but sadly without her infant Fizzy. Fizzy was a super precocious infant; although still fully

blonde (an infant) she was often seen travelling and feeding independently. The rangers noticed the infant was missing and dashed to the last known location of Kizzy. Mr Chau, an experienced ranger and primate care staff who watched Fizzy from birth, led the team. They did not return until they had found her, sadly deceased. She looked perfect, however a post-mortem revealed she had not eaten and was most likely in a weakened state and had fallen during the storm. Chau and team were devastated, but ultimately as we bridge the gap from captive to wild, we have to accept that this was a decision made by Kizzy. She knew where food was but had decided to look for a wild male. We had seen her eating wild fruit in this area, but she may have been a little too focussed on finding a wild male rather than allowing her infant to suckle. So the family of four were back together. Kizzy now remained with Dong, hopefully realising that the patch of forest was safe, a rich resource, and Dong was her mate. We just needed them to explore and establish their home range.



Sharing the wild with other wildlife



Phuong looking for gibbons

This patch of beautiful forest, although absent of other gibbons, was not absent of other wildlife- long-tailed & stump-tailed macaques and a growing herd of 27 elephants. To work alongside these wild elephants the monitoring team banned fruits (especially jackfruit) at the ranger station as they're irresistible for

elephants, who can be dangerous for the rangers and scare the gibbons at the feed station. The elephants had found the gibbon feed stations on high pulleys, and enjoyed the food the gibbons dropped. At first this made the youngsters Bich and Tuyen nervous, but with support from their dad they settled.

Into the dry season our monitoring team slowly reduced food provided as the gibbons established a home range. During the dry season our GPS mapping data showed the gibbon area shrinking. So now in April/ May as the rains are returning, it is important the gibbons push outwards again.



Wild elephant

The forest is full of wild fruit, a perfect time to forage, so supportive feeding has now stopped. The team still check on the gibbons every other day, with the collar GPS fixes providing data on the number of hectares they now call home.

School engagement!



The children engaged with the theatrical primates

Heightened protection of the release site is required as the rehabilitated gibbons get use to the wild, especially with supportive feeding. So when the chief of the rangers responsible for this extra protection said, "I will guarantee to the best of my ability the welfare of Kizzy's family, if you work with our schools in the new buffer zone", a challenge was set!

Despite the schools being next to protected forest, few children knew what a gibbon was! A five week program was designed, introducing a new primate species each week, learning about ecology, family life and their special "super power". This was accompanied with

species posters, a bespoke notebook and a little theatre, utilizing large papier-mâché heads to represent our primate friends!

The second phase became even more theatrical -we asked the gods for help! The message was simple; our families are interconnected with other wildlife, the forest, trees, weather and of course our ancestral gods- the worlds' of Dia (Earth), Thien (Heaven), and Nhan (Human). The play was all about how pollution and our actions can anger the gods,

change the weather and put wildlife at risk. In the play, we needed the children to help save a sleepy pygmy loris from being washed away in a flood, so our anime-style River Spirit, Mother Forest and Sun God engaged the young children. Our team rallied round, extras were brought in and as always, the rangers stepped up, even dressing as rain gods! The success of the play was demonstrated as in our art competition River Spirit and Mother Forest were a common theme. On the final day the chief of the rangers smilingly shook our hands- we had done above and beyond what was asked!

Our monitoring team and the rangers are still working hard, providing heightened protection for Kizzy and her family in the final stages of going wild – and we even believe Kizzy may be pregnant!



Art competition

EVA & BABY XURI

By Sharon Perry



Eva and Xuri

Another unexpected arrival within one of our woolly monkey groups! PCS noticed Eva was showing signs of pregnancy at the beginning of the year, and so have been keeping a close eye on her.

The team have been putting things in place to allow our female woolly monkeys a longer interval between births, to allow the females

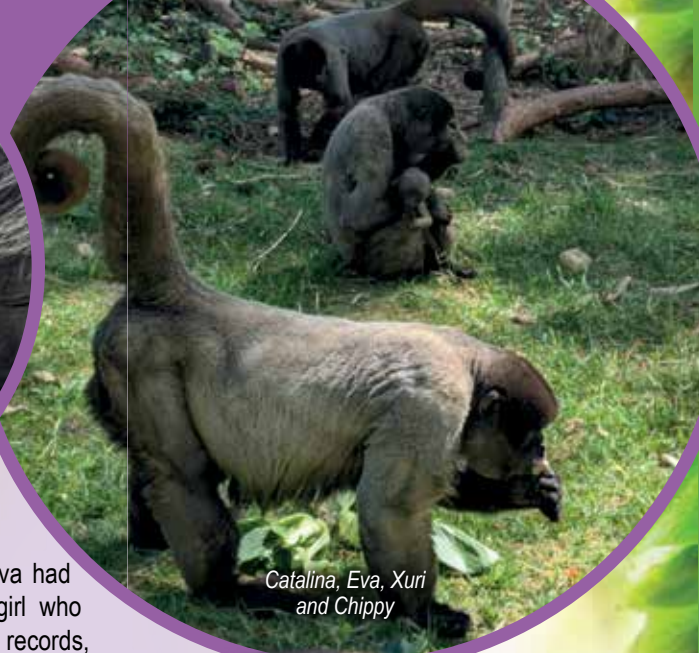
more time to recover from the demanding role of motherhood. Also, due to the success we have had in recent years with our female woolly monkeys giving birth to happy, healthy little bundles of joy, our woolly monkey colonies have been rapidly expanding, so it is necessary to slow things down to allow space for our existing groups to continue to thrive. However, accidents happen, and in this case it is a happy one. New arrivals bring a more natural dynamic to our woolly groups, and can help forge bonds amongst the group members, especially bringing the females closer together.



Eva is an experienced mum and relaxed around the others



Xuri



Catalina, Eva, Xuri and Chippy

On 25th March, PCS arrived to find Eva had given birth to another beautiful little girl who we have named Xuri. On checking our records, we have narrowed down Xavi as the most likely father, so as with previous youngsters, we have named the baby with the first letter of dad's name to help us keep track of parentage.

So far both mum and baby are doing well! Mum, Eva, has two other daughters in the group, Catalina who will turn five this year, and little Xena, who will be three. It is a vital learning experience for Catalina, as she is fast approaching adulthood and may become a mum herself in the future, so having the opportunity to monitor her mum successfully rear her siblings should provide her with the skills to do the same when her time comes.

It is always a bit of a shock to the youngest sibling when a baby is born, as suddenly their mum's time is needed elsewhere, but Xena has dealt with the arrival of her baby sister really well, and when Eva lets her know she needs some space, Xena happily goes off and plays with the other young girls in the group, in particular her best friend, Esme. Chippy is the dominant male of the group, and as always is doing his duty at keeping a protective eye on mum and baby, especially when PCS are trying to get a closer look. Males live in groups with multiple other males, so are never aware who fathers each youngster, so the dominant male protects them all regardless.



Eva and Xuri

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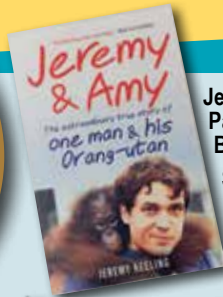
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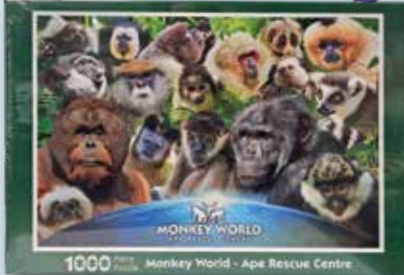
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MONKEY LIFE

By Susan Tunstall

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Filming for the latest instalment is going very well, we have been following Alison as she rescues orphan orang-utans Sibu Junior and Kiwi, Gizmo the marmoset and a whole troupe of ring-tailed lemurs. We have also been documenting the introduction of Chocolat into Bryan's chimpanzee group. The series won't be complete until October so we will announce when it will air as soon as we know

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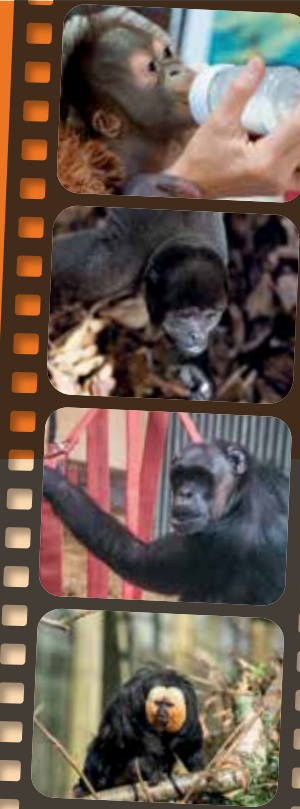
And internationally via:

- The Monkey Life
- YouTube channel
- Amazon Prime, in the USA, Canada, Australia and NZ

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

Exclusively sold via the
Monkey World giftshop:

<https://shop2.myonlinebooking.co.uk/monkeyworld/shop/category.aspx>



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



BUILDING & MAINTENANCE



New heaters installed for capuchins and gibbons



Re-perching of the squirrel monkey and saki enclosure prior to the groups merging



The baboon enclosure was filled with large cut logs and natural furniture as well as large viewing windows fitted



A smaller playroom has been built within the orang-utan nursery for Kiwi & Sibü



A new house was built in the Malagasy woodland for the ring-tailed lemurs



TREE FELLING & PRUNING



The Malagasy forest required pruning



A different primate in the trees at Malagasy - a tree surgeon!

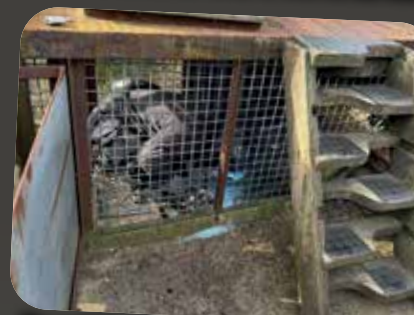


Tree felling in the car park for safety

CHOCOLAT MODIFICATIONS TO HOUSE



A crowd watched the team at work on the tunnel!



The outside tunnel has been modified with a slope to make it more accessible for Chocolat



Poles were replaced



The frame was checked for safety and replaced and refreshed where needed



Bart's chimpanzee enclosure had the climbing frames renewed and expanded

**FOR SALE
£450**

**Own a Piece of
Monkey World History!**

**Looking for a robust, reliable, comfortable, and safe mobility scooter?
Look no further than the
Rascal Ventura!**

We're offering our mobility scooters for sale, and here's why:

As many of you will remember, we had to pause their use during the pandemic. Unfortunately, this temporary measure became permanent due to the financial challenges we faced.

Since then, the costs to bring the scooters back into operation have continued to rise. These include not only servicing, maintenance, and battery replacement, but also insurance premiums, administrative time managing hire paperwork and safety inspections. Combine all of this with rising utility bills and ongoing budgets it's simply not sustainable for us to offer mobility scooter hire.

We hope these scooters will find new homes with those who want to support our Ape Rescue Trust Fund, our 100% fund for the rescue, care and rehabilitation of monkeys and apes at the park.



- Specification**
- Type Class - C / 3
 - Max speed - 6.4km/h / 4mph
 - Range - up to 37km / 23 miles
 - Max carrying capacity - 159kgs / 25st
 - Length - 131cm / 51.6" • Width - 68.4cm / 26.9"
 - Max kerb height - 10cm / 4"

Sold as seen - recently serviced but no guarantees or warranties offered.

The battery is currently working but will need replacing soon. The price has been adjusted accordingly.

Contact us today to arrange a viewing on 01929 401005!



Relieving the suffering of non-human primates in the UK...

Relieving the suffering of primates is core to JCMF's work, so of course we assist Monkey World to rescue abused primates around the world by providing funding for this sadly still necessary vital work. When there is urgency, with primates in desperate need of rescue, having the funding supplied by JCMF takes one small area of pressure off Alison's shoulders.

Over the years we have assisted with the rescues of a whopping 37 marmosets, 6 lorises, 5 capuchins, 3 chimpanzees, 3 patas monkeys, 2 guenons, 1 stump tailed macaque, 1 woolly monkey and 1 squirrel monkey.

It has been 18 years since The Jim Cronin Memorial Fund is a UK charity founded by Alison, after the passing of her husband, and Monkey World founder, Jim Cronin MBE on March 17, 2007.

The charity continues Jim's legacy of rescue and rehabilitation of abused primates, and protecting primates from the illegal trade, exploitation and abuse around the world.

The charity aims to:

- Advance the education of the public in the conservation of non-human primates.
- Relieve the suffering of primates which are in need of attention and in particular to rescue and care for primates that are unwanted, abandoned, neglected or ill-treated.



Chook



Milo



Naree



Kan-bulo



Toprish



Floh

....and abroad



Jeremy's grant helped build fences in Borneo

Further from home, we fund equipment for other charities doing excellent work. We have shipped fragile and expensive equipment worldwide, including an x-ray machine to Colobus conservation in Kenya, and medical equipment to The Endangered Asian Species Trust (EAST), out in Vietnam.

After the sudden passing of their previous owner, Wildlife Friends Foundation Thailand

had to rehome over 100 primates so we helped to fund the build of new gibbon enclosures, and we will soon be assisting The Jeunes Animaux Confisques au Katanga (J.A.C.K), a sanctuary in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, who specialise in conserving chimpanzees and other primates and are in desperate need of a variety of medical equipment to aid their vital work.

It's not just equipment that can help projects abroad- we'll help by sending experts out to assist all areas of primate welfare,



Incubator for RSPCA Dorchester



Annie's grant helped EAST's education project

rehabilitation, release and conservation. We sent an experienced chimpanzee keeper to care for Charlie, a rescued chimpanzee who was awaiting transport from Beirut, Lebanon, to a rescue centre in Brazil. We also provided a grant for Jeremy to go to the International Animal Rescue in Borneo and use his knowledge and experience in building primate proof fences. Annie Underhill, an exceptionally experienced teacher, was given a grant to help our sister charity EAST in Vietnam to establish an educational programme for local schools to support primate releases.



College group talk



School group activity

Educational activities

We strive to improve standards of primate care around the world and so host educational events for members of the public, schools and college groups as well as industry professionals. Recently we welcomed Animal Management students from South Gloucester & Stroud College and secondary pupils from Atlantic Academy.

Along with our regular talks on primate welfare and conservation to professionals such as the RSPCA, we are planning on hosting the Primate Licensing committee when the new guidelines are released. As this will form the backbone of knowledge for inspectors of proposed license holders, this workshop will be instrumental in upholding the law protecting privately kept primates in the UK.



Quiz weekend

To improve keeper's own skills and knowledge, as well as of course improving the lives of the primates in their care we provide educational grants. Monkey World Primate Care Staff, Nasreen Tomlinson, is nearing completion



Nasreen Tomlinson



Maddie Court

of the first year of her Diploma for the Management of Zoo and Aquatic Animals (DMZAA) and PCS Emma Martin and Minette Payne recently attended the Great Ape Welfare Group's workshop, where they connected with Great Ape keepers across the world and shared knowledge and thoughts with them.

By providing travel grants, primate professionals can visit in-situ conservation projects or charities around the world and exchange experience, knowledge and ideas, for the benefit of primates in captivity. In the past recipients have travelled to Vietnam, Sumatra, Indonesia, Cameroon, Peru, West Africa, Bangkok and Madagascar.

We're pleased to announce that Alastair Bigger will be going to assist Limbe Wildlife Centre in Nigeria, who work with the rescue and rehabilitation drills and chimpanzees as a result of illegal poaching; and Monica Wairumi Kanyi, the keeper who looked after chimpanzee Chocolat in Kenya before her

TRAVEL GRANTS



Sian Middleton - Madagascar



James Edwards - Sumatra



Geoff Horne - Cameroon



Laura Edgerley - Vietnam

rescue by Monkey World, is coming to work alongside the small monkey team at Monkey World for 6 months to gain vital experience working with smaller primates.

We have been so busy and have MANY plans coming up & would love your support.

To help you can:

- Become a member.
- Browse the JCMF online gift shop.
- Attend an event, such as primate enrichment workshop, sleepover, or quiz night!
- Make a donation.
- Leave a legacy in your will.
- Stay in our gorgeous flats for your next Monkey World visit -with a bonus of early entry!

For more information please visit www.jimcroninmemorialfund.org or call 01929 462487



Enrichment workshop fun!



Gorgeous supporter's flat

CALL TO ACTION!!



Shame on Malta

Since 2022, Alison has lobbied authorities in Malta with evidence of chimpanzees being kept illegally in the country. Maltese laws prohibit the private keeping of exotic animals and in 2016 there was an amnesty for all exotics to be registered –but in 2021 a report found there were NO repercussions for unregistered animals. **Malta's authorities are NOT enforcing CITES legislation and are allowing primates to be smuggled into Malta and kept illegally.**



Alison contacted Malta CITES with evidence of the illegal chimps on 10th Nov 2022, 21st Nov 2022, 2nd Aug 2023 and 28th Feb 2024, yet only in March 2024 did we receive a response. It stated they knew of one chimpanzee, and arrangements were made for housing should the courts decide on confiscation. We were assured of the case being expedited for a "swift resolution" to prioritise the welfare of the primate. Yet, a **YEAR** later, nothing has happened!

To add insult to injury, CITES has announced sanctions on trade in Lebanon- a war-torn country, without government for over two years, now in a state of financial collapse. And yet there have been no such sanctions on Malta!

These chimpanzees need our help and Malta's wildlife smuggling trade must be stopped. Please help us by writing to CITES protesting the sanctions in Lebanon and demanding an inquiry into Malta's unacceptable illegal smuggling of chimpanzees. We demand fairness and equity in this matter.

You can contact them here:

Ms Ivonne Higuero, Secretary-General, CITES - info@cites.org

Ms. Aimee Brincat, CITES Malta Deputy Director - Environment and Resources - aimee.brincat@era.org.mt

Mr Joseph CARUANA - Permanent Secretary, Malta Ministry for the Environment, Climate Change and Planning - joseph.f.caruana@gov.mt

Foreign & Commonwealth Office
fcdo.correspondence@fcdo.gov.uk

Stephen Montefort High Commissioner of Malta - maltahighcommission.london@gov.mt

Full details can be found on our website under "Support Us"

MALTA SHAME ON YOU

You failed
You lost humanity
You lost compassion



LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

The past few months have been incredibly busy as we continue with repairs and renewals at the park and final touches to the new baboon enclosure!

It is so important that we continue to refurbish and improve the homes of our rescued monkeys and apes so that they receive the highest standard of care that we can offer. I always say it to anyone I meet in the park – we could not do it without your help and support, and this is true now more than ever.

Throughout the pandemic we were able to furlough non-essential staff and reduce our costs but just as we thought we were back on a level footing with visitors returning to the park, Monkey World has been hit by extreme inflation on fuel, food, veterinary

equipment, and building materials. As a small business it is particularly difficult with increases in the national living wage and national insurance increasing our costs with no end in sight.

With your support we have continued to improve our monkey and ape facilities always researching and developing better, more efficient construction methods and materials. From increasing accessibility for a partially paralysed chimpanzee, replacing old housing for our lemurs, to developing facilities for baboons in need of a permanent home, or creating a safe playroom for our two young orphan orang-utans our Building & Maintenance department do an amazing job!

Have a look at just some of the jobs we have been working on – none of it would have been possible without your support.



PCS Olly with happy marmosets Ruby & family as Organix donated a year's supply of Baby Rice



The Co-op has kindly donated fruit and vegetables

Sadly, I fear there will be more monkeys and apes that need our help such as the chimpanzees that have been smuggled into Malta or the squirrel monkeys that are used for entertainment in nursing homes or village fetes in the UK. Help us to help them by contacting the CITES offices in Switzerland, the Maltese embassy, the commonwealth offices and your MPs to let them know that it is **UNACCEPTABLE** to use and abuse monkeys and apes. We are stronger if we work together.

To the family and friends of **Kathleen Anderson, Janet Court, Shirley Breckon, Irene Dickson, William Eaton, Rodney George, Ian Glazer, D Haigh, Julie Hilton, Patrica Honeyball, Maureen Kerr, Veronica Langley, Barbara Lynham, Erin O'Shea, Patricia Rowan, Regina Schneider, and John Unsworth** we are sorry for your loss and our thoughts and condolences are with you.

I hope that you will be able to visit the park sometime soon but until then we hope that you will enjoy the Ape Rescue Chronicle and the new series of Monkey Life that will arrive in autumn.

All the best,

Alison Cronin

Help the Beirut Baboons!



Six Baboons are being cared for by Animals Lebanon prior to transport to Monkey World

Monkey World has been trying to rescue six Hamadryas baboons living on the outskirts of Beirut, Lebanon. Despite constructing beautiful homes for them,

since war broke out in the Middle East it's proved difficult to organise transport of both the travel crates to Beirut, and passage of the baboons back to the UK. Incredibly, we were contacted by Didi Amato, the wife of REO Speedwagon's Dave Amato, who heard our plight and wanted to help. They generously donated a guitar signed by the whole band before they announced their split in 2025.

We hope funds raised from the auction of this amazing music memorabilia will enable us to help the baboons stranded in Beirut, and bring them to safety in the UK.

If you'd like to own a part of music history, as well as saving primates, details on bidding are on the "Fundraising" page of our website.



AUCTION

REO Speedwagon guitar signed by the whole band

See website for details

Bulu Mata