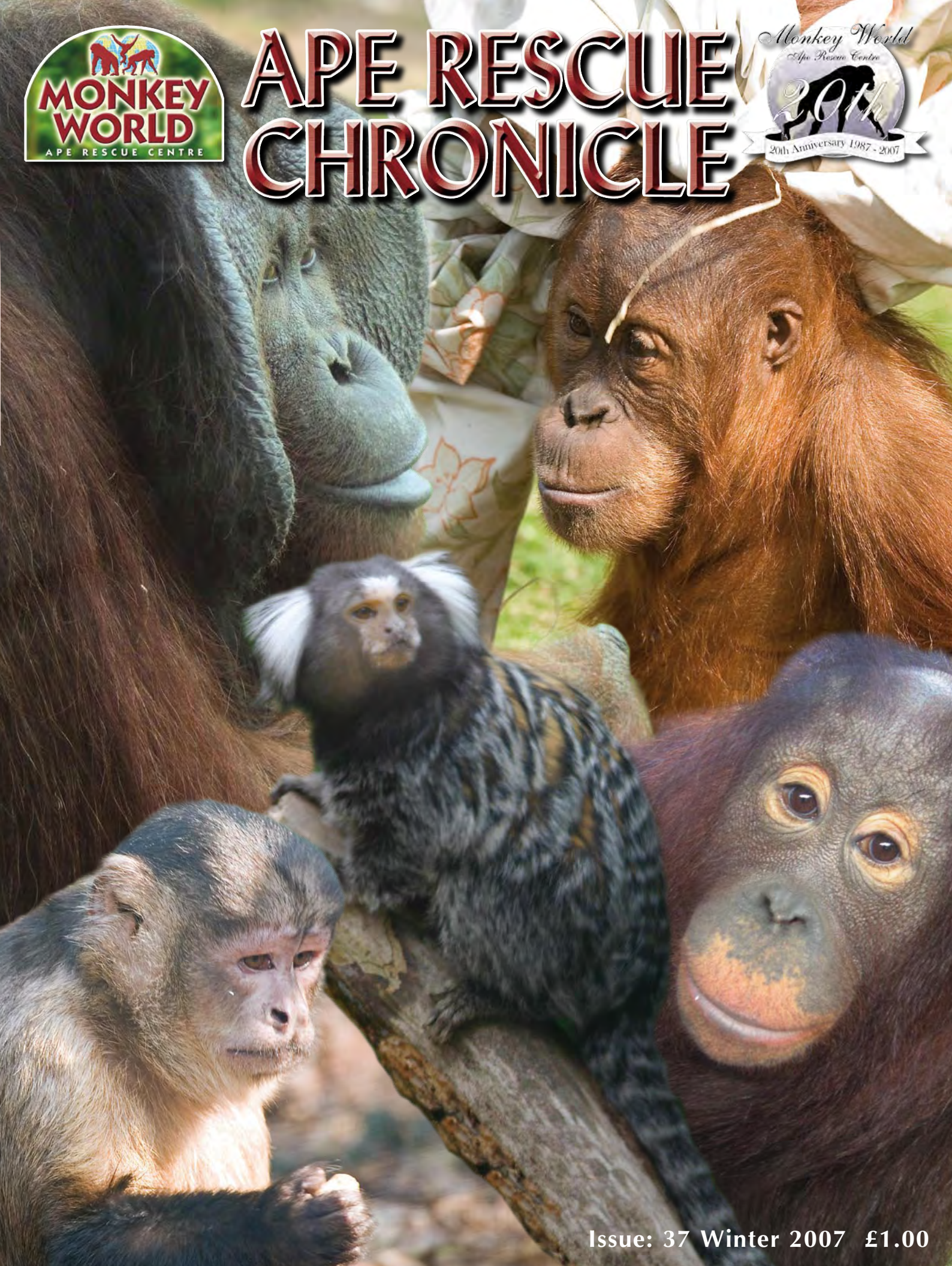




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Hananya's Community

By Cara Buckley and Kate Diver



HANANYA - Now that Hananya has the confidence to discipline even his closest friends, the group are showing him more respect. His displays are increasingly impressive and the others know to move out of his way. He still has a sweet, gentle side to his character, making him a very well rounded leader.

TIKKO - Tikko is still enjoying the benefits of being number two in the hierarchy without the stress of leading the group. He has enormous respect for his leader and is very submissive when he needs to be. Hananya and Tikko still have a strong bond and Tikko is well liked by all members of the group.

SIMON - Simon's character has mellowed over the last year, although he still has a cheeky side to his character. Simon will always try to defend the young females of the group during a dispute – unless Hananya is involved and then he stays well out of the way!

SEMACH - The biggest change in Semach is his relationship with Hananya. A year ago, Semach could get away with anything. Nowadays, he is extremely wary of Hananya's presence and is careful not to offend his leader. His favourite pastime is still winding up the young females and jumping around the enclosure.

ARFUR - Arfur is the lowest ranking male of the group but is still continuing to grow in confidence. He is popular with the females and still has a strong bond with Jess. Every evening, Jess picks a spot for the pair to sleep, while Arfur runs around collecting all the bedding!

CHERRI - Of all the females to join Hananya's group recently, Cherri was most threatened by the newest arrival, Johni. As Johni is a large female, she was not willing to submit to Cherri. Cherri has been spending more time alone and is less willing to get involved in disputes. However, for the time being Cherri remains top female.

PEGGY - Peggy is the other dominant female in the group and is less willing to back down to Johni. Peggy enjoys meal times but will always wait patiently for Trudy before coming in for her tea. Peggy is a calm chimp and will only exert her dominance when she really needs to.

JESS - Jess was always an unpredictable, but has recently become much more responsive to the staff and is actually initiating positive interactions. She is responding really well to the operant conditioning programme and has learnt several new behaviours.

TRUDY - Trudy's favourite thing is food, and when staff gives the group a scatter feed you can guarantee that Trudy will be there until all the items have been found. Even the rain doesn't seem to put her

off. At teatime, she is often the last chimp to finish eating, secure in the knowledge that Peggy will still share her nest.

JOHNI - Johni's transition into Hananya's group was one of the fastest introductions to date. She was immediately popular with all of the males and was not willing to back down to any of the females. Watch this space...Johni is sure to become one of the highest-ranking females in Hananya's group.

MARJOLINE - Marjoline is still a very confident member of the group and has successfully established herself in the middle of the hierarchy. She has a strong bond with Valerie and gets on well with all members of the group.

VALERIE - Valerie is a sweet natured chimp and befriended Patricia when Patricia was struggling to find her place in the group. Valerie has an extremely playful nature both with the other chimps and with the primate care staff.

EVELINE - Eveline has been spending a lot of time with Tikko and her position within the hierarchy of the group is more secure, even though she is still a shy individual. These days, Eveline is always one of the first members to come in for tea.

TUTTI - Tutti is enjoying the fact that her old friend from the nursery, Johni, has joined the group and generally loves life in Hananya's. Tutti loves any enrichment to do with water and ice-lollies in the summer.

HONEY - Since the arrival of Johni to Hananya's group, Honey's position has lowered in the hierarchy. She is more wary of the dominant animals in the group and certainly gives Johni a wide berth. Honey loves the oiling sessions and allows the staff to cover her hands and feet.

PATRICIA - Patricia has shown real resilience in her determination to fit into Hananya's group. It has been a slow learning curve, but Patricia is finally starting to understand the politics of chimpanzee life and is now more relaxed around the dominant male.

ZEYNEP - Zeynep still struggles to get up in the morning, especially as the colder weather starts to set in. Zeynep has always been a very popular member of the group and many of the chimps will rush to her aid during a dispute.

KUKI - Kuki is finally starting to understand the hierarchy of the group but has unfortunately found herself down at the bottom, despite this, she enjoys group life and is particularly close to Zeynep. Kuki rejects the wood-wool offered as bedding and still uses only blankets to make her bed for the night.



Orang-utan Update

By Collin Angus



TUAN'S GROUP - At the beginning of the year, Tuan seemed to become less tolerant of Gordon's presence in the bedrooms overnight. His displeasure shown itself in increased threats directed at Gordon and the Primate Care Staff. We decided to change the sleeping arrangements so that one group uses the bedrooms while the other sleeps in the pavilion. This seems to have had the desired effect as Tuan is now back to his peaceful, if somewhat grumpy self.

Lucky is still very close to Tuan, spending a lot of time with him, especially when they are in the pavilion. Outside, she does her own thing, which can include chasing Hsiao-Lan if she has joined the group for the day, having said that she never seems to have much intention of catching her. Finally, RoRo is still the same, patrolling the boundaries of the enclosure, enjoying her status as one of the more dominant females and even giving Tuan a row if she feels it necessary.

mother Amy. Amy has also become very fond of Kai, often playing with him for long periods and even allowing him to eat next to her. This behaviour is only extended to Kai and she remains the same grumpy Amy with everyone else. Kai is still very much a child but is now quite independent from Hsiao-Quai and doesn't always follow her when they are moving from one area to the other. This means Hsiao-Quai frequently has to retrieve him and bring along, holding whatever part of him she can get a good grip on. Hsiao-Quai is still one of the quieter girls generally avoiding any kind of confrontation.

At the moment Hsiao-Lan has the choice of whether she would like to spend the day with Tuan or Gordon's group. As both RoRo and Lucky like chasing her from time to time she often chooses to stay with Gordon, Hsiao-Quai and Kai even if they are staying inside the pavilion for the day.

NURSERY GROUP - A-Mei is still the dominant force in the nursery, keeping a matronly eye on the kids as well as anyone working there. Hsiao-Ning remains filled with her usual sense of self-importance but is growing up nicely. Aris is now beginning to act like a young male, showing a lot of interest in Lingga and displaying around the bedrooms. Joly is probably the happiest one in the nursery, still close to A-Mei but always up for wrestling, playing

GORDON'S GROUP - At 10 years old, Gordon is developing into a large adult male now. Permanently in his group are Hsiao-Quai and her son Kai and the other females have the choice as to which male they want to stay with for the day. Gordon seems very happy and spends a lot of his time playing wildly with young Kai but has also grown very close to his own

and general rowdiness. Lingga is now settled into the nursery group, spending most of her time with Dinda but often playing with A-Mei as well. Finally little Dinda has become the calmest, most grown up member of the whole gang.



Paddy's Community

By Andy Asquith



PADDY - Paddy is still very much in charge of his group and is respected by everyone. Unfortunately this year began with Paddy ousting Jimmy from the group after an unsettled period. Thankfully everything has calmed down again and Paddy is much more relaxed, spending a lot of his time with Cindy.

BUSTA - Busta is trying hard to fill in the gap left by Jimmy's departure from the group, but still has a long way to go before everyone will accept him as Paddy's right hand man. Learning to control Gamba will be his biggest challenge.

GAMBA - Gamba is starting to mature and both mentally and physically, however he still can't help winding up the higher-ranking members of the group and his intelligence usually means he can get away with it.

MICKEY - After Jimmy left the group Mickey briefly tried to step into his shoes however the others never really took him seriously and Mickey went back to the quiet life he seems to prefer.

ATHENA - Athena is a quiet and gentle chimp with a lovely personality who is close to Hebe and reassures her when she is getting a hard time from the rest of the group.

BETH - Beth is a dominant individual and one of the largest females in the group; she loves her food and really enjoyed the ice-lollies and frozen bananas during the summer months.

BIXA - Paddy's number one fan and is extremely loyal, Bixa can usually be found in close proximity to him and always backs him up without question.

CATHY - Cathy arrived at monkey world from the same French lab as Grisby and Clin. Cathy is quite a lazy individual who can be difficult to get out of bed on a morning especially if the weathers not looking so good.

CHATTA - Every day we oil the chimps hands and feet to help keep them supple and stop them cracking, Chatta loves the oil and lets you cover her from head to foot with it.

CINDY - Cindy has been spending a lot of time with both Paddy and Busta but also enjoys playing with donated blankets and towels. She is one of the higher-ranking females of the group.

CLIN - Clin arrived from a French laboratory where she was used in malnutrition research as a result she is a

very food orientated individual and makes a high pitched "singing" sound at meal times. She can be seen using a box to collect her food every evening so no one can get their hands on her share.

EDDI - Eddi's growing up fast and with the arrival of her little brother Bart has become even more independent although Paddy and Susie still keep a close eye on her. She now spends more time playing with the other members of the group and Gamba in particular.

GRISBY - Grisby is an individual that quietly tends to her own business but is extremely loyal to Paddy and will always be at his side when she is needed. Grisby has also recently been seen helping Eddi learn her position in the group, pulling her back into line when she steps over the mark.

HEBE - As Hebe gets older she is having to fit learn her place within the group which she is coping with very well despite the occasional tantrum.

KAY - Kay is one of the lower ranking females in Paddy's group. A nervous individual who loves long grooming sessions and always enjoys any enrichment given by the primate care staff, from kongs to bottles stuffed with tasty treats.

LOLA - One of the lower ranking group members, Lola has taken a lot of interest in the arrival of Bart and has been spending her time close to him under the disguise of grooming Susie.

PEPPA - One of the most intelligent chimps in the group Peppa likes a challenge and so is one of the best at operant conditioning.

SUSIE AND BART - On the 17th July Susie gave birth to her second baby a boy who we have named Bart, just as with Eddi she is being a very attentive and loving mother. Bart is getting stronger everyday and has started to vocalise to other members of the group and it doesn't look like it will be long before he starts to explore his home.

ZOE - Zoe is one of the more dominant females, but only shows this when some of the less respectful members of the group challenge her, the rest of the time she is a quiet individual who spends her time of the edge of the group.



BUTCH - Alpha male of the bachelor boys, although now he is starting to look over his shoulder at the up and coming Paco, he is still capable of putting everybody in their place. He does have a lighter side and enjoys spending time playing with Çarli.

BUXOM - Buxom is a very serious individual who is still very close to his brother Jestah, and together they form Butch's back up. Buxom is very particular about his nests and spends a long time each night making sure it is perfect before bedding down.

ÇARLI - Çarli has adapted really well to life in the bachelors, from the start he got on well with the big guys and still enjoys play sessions with Butch. His confidence has increased during his time with the boys and he is just as noisy and boisterous as he was in the nursery.

CHARLIE - Charlie has recovered well from his last dental surgery and it hasn't interfered with his favourite pastime, eating. He also enjoys a hug and a tickle from Jeremy during his daily visits.

FREDDY - Freddy seems to be a lot more comfortable now he is receiving ongoing treatment for his piles and is once again becoming more involved with the group and returning to his former self.

GYPSY - Gypsy has had a tougher time settling in than Çarli but although he still occasionally receives some unwanted attention from Jestah and Buxom he seems to have got the hang of the hierarchy and now knows when to keep out of the way. Luckily he also has Sammy to look out for him.

JESTAH - Jestah is still receiving treatment for his dry skin including experimenting with some homeopathic remedies. Jestah is more playful than his brother Buxom and can sometimes be found playing with some of the younger members of the group, but only when he thinks no one is watching.

JIMMY - Jimmy's had a hard time this year beginning by being ousted from Paddy's group, introductions to the "hooligans" and long treatment for an infected wound on his shin. Luckily he is now well settled with his new group and enjoys spending time with Butch, Sammy and Charlie who he lived with prior to their bachelor boy days.

KYKO - Kyko is a quiet individual who enjoys his own company, although he will take any opportunity to enthusiastically groom members of the primate care staff.

MOJO - Mojo is a quiet individual who tends to stay out of trouble and keep himself to himself. Although he is quiet he still gets on very well with the rest of the group and can sometimes be seen goofing around with Sammy and Jimmy.

PACITO

- Pacito is the cheekiest member of the group towards

both the other boys and the

primate care staff. A loveable

rouge in the group he can often

be found causing trouble between other

members of the group and then sitting back to

enjoy the fireworks, although things don't always go to

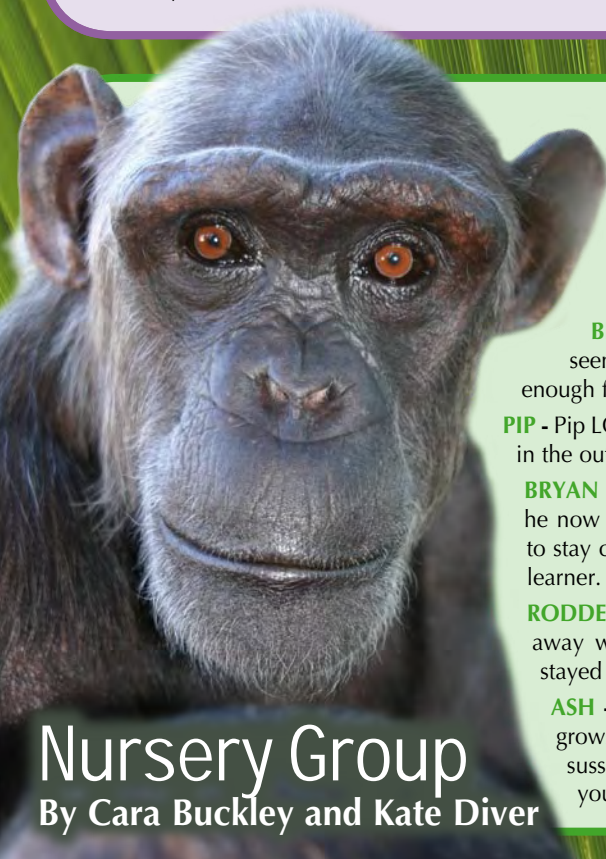
plan if Butch is close by.

PACO - Paco is becoming an impressive male and is by far the largest individual in the group making him a possible successor for Butch. Unfortunately his confidence hasn't grown as fast as his muscles and most of his displays are very low key ensuring not too many of the others notice them.

ROCKY - The smallest member of the group Rocky can still hold his own with the big boys. Rocky has taken full advantage of the recent pavilion refurbishment and can often be found using the new climbing structures and platforms.

SAMMY - Despite his large size Sammy is the friendliest chimp in the group and is always game for some fun. The peacemaker within the group this year he has been a great ally for Jimmy, easing his transition into the group and protecting him from some of the less friendly individuals.

SEAMUS - While in the Nursery group, Seamus' fascination with Ash was overwhelming. His unwanted focus was quickly becoming an issue and none of the youngest in the Nursery could rest peacefully. At eight years old it was time to make the big step and move Seamus into an adult group. Following an aborted attempt in Hananya's group we decided that he might get along brilliantly with the bachelor hooligans, as Seamus is a true hooligan at heart. The initial introductions have been going well and Seamus is already living with his old friend Turkish Çarli and new friend Charlie.



SALLY - As predicted, Sally led the way in helping to settle Bryan into the nursery group.

Sally is always happiest when there are lots of youngsters around and so she is really enjoying life at the moment. While she was a little quiet on the day of Seamus' departure, Sally was latter seen carrying Ash on her belly while Rodders rode on her back!

LULU - Lulu has really established herself in the nursery group and watches out for the youngest members as much as Sally does. If she hears one of the babies screaming, she will rush to their aid.

BEN - Ben has welcomed the addition of another young male to the group, and can often be seen playing outside with Bryan. He hasn't forgotten his old friend Pip, and will always collect enough food or toys to share with her.

PIP - Pip LOVES Rodders and can often be seen carrying him around. This has helped her gain confidence in the outside enclosure and she will carry Rodders up to the top parts of the climbing structures.

BRYAN - Bryan has settled in extremely well to the nursery group, although he was wary of Seamus he now is very relaxed and plays wildly with the other youngsters. He is a clever chap and knows to stay close to Sally. He is responding well to the operant conditioning and is a very fast learner.

RODDERS - Rodders is adored by all the members of Sally's group and can get away with anything. He has a naughty side to his character and recently stayed out with Seamus while everyone else came in for their tea!

ASH - Ash has really blossomed in the last year and her confidence grows from day to day. She is never far from Sally and has definitely sussed the hierarchy of the group. Ash was the first of the two youngest chimps to brave the outside world.



Nursery Group

By Cara Buckley and Kate Diver



Gibbon Update

By Wendy Derham



THE SIAMANG GIBBONS - Sam and Sage are off the hook a little as the whirlwind that is their son has taken to leaving them in peace a little more, Onion has started spending a little more time up in the trees mucking around which leaves a touch more time for a good grooming session for the adults. Play is still very much on the agenda it's just a little less frequent, well he is nearly a grown up now.

ZOEY AND JAKE - After the big move our newest pair have settled down wonderfully and have proved to be very good together, they can even be found curled up to each other at night. Mind you Zoey does have to put him in his place every now and then but when he gets a little out of hand but that is her job and he needs it at times. I don't think he minds being under the thumb that much, there are benefits.

PEANUT, PUNG-YO AND TIEN - The Family are living the high life in every sense. They have taken to their new tree filled enclosure as if they had never been out of a forest; mind you they still give us a few heart stopping moments with some huge leaps as they swing around at high speed. Tien is growing fast and it won't be long until Peanut will be struggling to carry him he is also very scruffy as his colour change is well on it's way to finishing. Pung-Yo is more than happy with his son as he makes the perfect playmate and someone to teach all his bad habits to.

ALEX - Alex has had a tough year but she has proved to be made of sterner stuff than any of us realised. Very sadly her left arm had to be amputated after receiving a terrible injury during an introduction, we were all worried about her at first but she has bounced back so incredibly well, she has surprised us all. Although she is currently on her own she is spoilt rotten by all her keepers and is more than content.

RAFAEL - Rafael has had a turbulent year, moving to the main gibbon house after the break down of his pairing with Zoey, but he has settled in well and is re-acquainting himself with all the sites and sounds of his old home. He is often the one to start the singing bouts now and is usually the last to finish.

VIETTA AND TITO - Tito had learned one of the most important lessons in life this year, he has found out how to keep his lady happy, he has learnt how to keep Vietta closer and how to keep the grooming sessions going longer. What's the big secret? He has learned how to share his fleecy blanket! And that is a very big step for him but if it keeps Vietta happy then he is too, they are often to be found sharing the fleece in the tunnel in the sunshine. Life doesn't get much better if you're Tito.

NIKE AND ELLA - Never have I seen a happier pair of gibbons, Nike and Ella are just the ideal pair, as long as the wind doesn't blow too hard, Ella hates a hair out of place, and as long as Nike gets his fair share of the mango and at least a shot at the goodies in their kongs all is well with their world.

PAUL AND KITTY - Although Kitty is now all grown up and has turned into quite a serious lady at times there is still a hugely playful side of her that is not too difficult for Paul to bring to the surface. When Paul starts giggling as he tugs at her toes or the fluff on the top of her head she just can't resist a romp around. The best game is tag, around the remains of the fir tree in their enclosure.

ADIDAS AND DALUMIE - New neighbours can be quite a daunting prospect especially with all the hoo haa that comes with a young family but as ever Dalumie looks on with her usual stoic outlook on life and gets on with her day, Adidas has copped well too and has kept his nerves in check and has even made huge strides with his new routine which has been designed to ease him into conditioning sessions. The pair continue to be healthy and happy and are as close as they ever were.

FOX AND NINI - We have offered the boys several chances to renew their friendship but at the moment they both feel that the bachelor life style is for them. Fox has found that if you swing about madly with a plastic bottle in your foot and then suddenly let it fly, it goes for miles and bounces around for ages. Nini is far too busy singing to bother with that sort of thing and as far as he is concerned bottles are for getting all the good stuff out.

Stump-tailed Macaques - By Angela Jones

THE BACHELORS - The boys are very settled and content so little changes in their group. Their weight is still slowly dropping although Scott and David still have quite a way to go. The changes to their outside environment are causing them to spend more time outside exercising as long as the weather is just right. The Primate Care Staff continue to expand the boys' climbing frames and encourage them in natural foraging and social behaviours.

THE SENIOR CITIZENS - In our other group, Koko has settled in well and allows Roland, our oldest stumpy, to eat next to her. After arriving in August 2006 she is slowly losing weight and becoming more active. We have widened a lot of the ramps as her movement is still not as it should be. Geriatric Roland moves very slowly which makes Koko quite impatient but overall Koko, Roland, and Gerald have worked out their living arrangements and seem quite content together.



LEVAR'S TROOP - The top group of woollys have welcomed a new female. Her name is Piquita and she stands out from the rest of the group as she is a brown woolly monkey that came to join our group from Twycross Zoo. Paquita has settled in so well that she has decided that she wants to be the top girl and has started to boss everyone else around. The boys love her, so hopefully there will be more babies in the New Year. Kuna is due to give birth soon and therefore distances herself slightly from the group. Lena is now reaching sexual maturity and will need to leave her father's troop soon. Until then she is happy to play most of the day with the rest of the group.

Julio is growing fast and now ventures outside into the trees. He still has baby status in the group and is getting away with stealing food from the adults although Branco, Piquita and Xusy are starting to tell him off. Xusy is as playful as ever when she is not sleeping or sunbathing under the skylight and holds the world record for the oldest woolly ever in captivity at 35 years old. Apart from their new girlfriend, little has changed for Branco and Levar. Branco is finally gaining a bit of weight and still like to hunt slow worms.

BUENO'S TROOP - The bottom woolly group is well settled so little has changed. Xingu is growing up but can still be seen suckling from time to time. Bueno has calmed down and is becoming more playful. As Xingu becomes more independent from her mother, it is quite likely that Bueno will become a father again soon!



Woolly Monkeys

By Angela Jones



Small Monkeys

By Toby Dipple

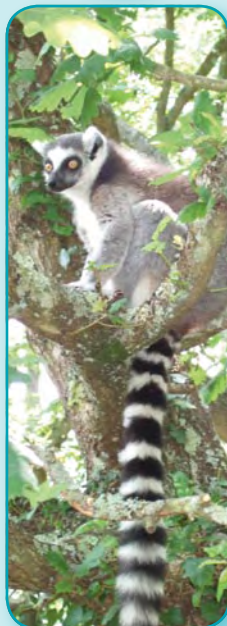
CAPUCHINS

- The capuchins have had a very good year and are still spending their days together. In January they all moved up to the same house, although at night Tom and Terri are separated from TJ and Gismo. This is a good opportunity for Terri to get some peace from the two boisterous boys, as well as enjoy some time with her Tom!!

TJ has grown up a lot this year and is starting to mature and change physically; he is still inseparable from Tom during the day with lots of wrestling, grooming and mischief together. Tom's diet has progressed well this summer and he is becoming more mobile around the enclosure, although he still loves his food. His friend TJ has been caught handing banana through the mesh to him at teatime. Terri has become a lot more relaxed around the boys, and has been seen sat in the front window between Tom and TJ. She moves around the enclosure well and is spending more time sat near Gismo, although we have had no physical contact yet. Gismo is making excellent progress despite the changes. He is a lot more relaxed and spends a lot of time with Tom; he also loves his play sessions with TJ which involve a lot of chasing and wrestling. Even when TJ is busy with Tom he will find a stick or blanket to amuse himself with.

COMMON MARMOSETS - Harry and Louis' Family - Harry and Louis are still keeping their growing offspring under control. Henry, Hazel and Lionel are all feisty characters in their own way and all 5 keep us on our toes. They can often be seen bouncing around their enclosure looking for food and insects.

Bachelors - It has been a busy year for Marcel, Matthew, Nathan and Leo. Early in the year they had a few social issues with each other, but they soon settled down. Unfortunately around the same time



we sadly lost Billy. The boys had a good summer, spending a lot of time sunbathing and catching bugs. Recently they have had a new addition, little Marcel, who came to us aged approximately 6 months old from the British pet trade. On his second day he met Leo, who is dominant in the group, and soon had him cuddling and playing. Within a few days he met all the boys and they all took to him quickly, especially big Marcel who seems very attached to his namesake. We hope he will prove to be a good role model!

Females - Betty-Boo is an amazing little marmoset who, despite coming to the park severely crippled and having very poor eyesight, is the dominant marmoset in the group. She has an uncanny knack of being in the right place when insects arrive! She is almost inseparable from Oberon our male Goeldi monkey and they make a bit of an odd couple when huddled up and grooming each other. Mystic and Gabby are also inseparable from each other and like nothing more than huddling up in a hanging basket with a nice towel or blanket. Gabby in particular is a very cheeky and mischievous marmoset.

SQUIRREL MONKEYS - Our three elderly females Alien, Mamore and Balsa have enjoyed the year exploring their large outside in search of insects. They are very close and often call out to each other when out hunting or when a member of the Primate Care Staff appears with mealworms! They now share their enclosure with Lenny and Kayla our young common marmoset pair and have taken this in their stride. Lenny and Kayla are a very cheeky and confident pair and are loving their big outside enclosure.

LEMURS - We have 14 ringtail lemurs at Monkey World, 9 males and 5 females. We also have one elderly ruffed lemur, Blue. Blue and her sister Perky were allowed out into the Malagasy enclosure with the boys at the start of the year and thoroughly enjoyed exploring the trees and chasing ringtails. Sadly Perky passed away at the end of the summer, but Blue has continued to keep an eye on the boys and makes sure they don't go in her trees! The boys are a very inquisitive bunch and are always on the lookout for nice food whether it is in the trees or at feed time. Rentin is the top-ranking individual, although Douglas is showing signs of taking over. Indiana, Cirius and Hemal are the three mischievous members of the group often seen scent marking and tail flicking around Blue, until she chases them off, while White Spot and Houdini prefer a quieter life. Old man George has had a really good year and has integrated himself into the group a lot more, making a close friend in Korean's Son a fellow old man. The females live in their family groups, although we are slowly introducing them to each other. Tibet lives with her daughters, Kirindi and Nepal, while sisters Rudy and Fennel live happily together and all are doing well.



LETTER FROM THE EDITOR



It has been the most difficult of years for all of us at the park. Losing Jim unexpectedly was a devastating shock. Jeremy and I had planned to take things slowly this year but of course the monkeys and apes wait for no one and we have found ourselves moving ahead with developments at the park, on-going rescues, and planning future rescues. It has not been an easy time, however, we were very lucky to have Maj. Jez Hermer join our team permanently. You may remember Jez worked with Monkey World many years ago when we tried to secure the future of an orphaned baby chimp named Harry that Jez found in a village on the wrong side of enemy lines in Sierra Leone. Sadly for Harry things did not work out and he never made it to the park but it sparked a professional and personal friendship with Jez who is truly a kindred soul. We are all very happy to welcome Jez to our team.

Over the past few months many people have helped with our rescue and rehabilitation work by donating goods such as fruit, vegetables, nuts, dried fruit, seeds, garlic, bread, vitamins, dog biscuits, rice, blankets, sheets, towels, hessian sacks, ropes, un-used stamps, paper, and hand made cards to be sold in the shop. We also receive many excellent photos that adoptive parents and/or visitors take at the park and send to us

to use. In particular I would like to thank **Michelle London** who has sent us many wonderful photos over the years – many are in the new **Monkey World 2008 Calendar!** We have gratefully received several donations and some have raised money by organising collection tins, boot sales, dress down days at work, sponsored cycle rides or silences and others have sent donations in lieu of payment for professional lectures. **Carol Lomax** got sponsorship for completing the Yorkshire 3 Peaks Challenge. Special thanks should also be given to **Healthspan** for generous donation of vitamins, **West Sussex Fire and Rescue Service** donated retired fire hose, **The Greggs Trust** sent in a donation from a payroll giving scheme, **Animalcare Ltd** supplied a large number of microchips at a reduced rate, **UniDrug** gave the monkeys and apes a supply of **Sambucol**, **Poole Jobcentre Plus** raised money for the monkeys and apes, **Castlepoint Sainsbury's** gave a large donation of fruit and veg, and **Animal Friends Insurance** made a donation from their customer charity scheme. All of your donations are put to use – thank you so much.

This has been a difficult year for so many people who have lost loved ones. Our condolences go out to the family and friends of **Hazel Owen, Patti Walker, Patrick O'Dell, James Harrison, Reginald Cleeve,**

Daphne Hoskins, Joan Godfrey, Hilda Storer, Ethel Vincent, Diane Flood, Michael Spicer, Alan Brooker, Barbara Mizen, Ruby Medlam, Dilys Ream, and David Willmott. They will be greatly missed.

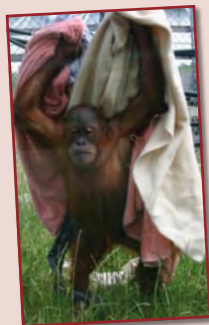
Many of you will also be interested to learn that we are moving ahead with plans for an **Endangered Primate Rescue Centre in Cat Tien National Park, Vietnam.** We have received Vietnamese government approval and on November 23rd I will be attending the ground-breaking ceremony along with Prof. Dr. Kurtis Pei from the Pingtung Rescue Centre in Taiwan. It will be a small rescue, rehabilitation, and release centre on a 63ha. island at the entrance to Cat Tien National Park. This centre marks the first insitu project for Monkey World – that is to say a project in the habitat where the primates come from. It is our hope that the centre will provide the Vietnamese authorities with a place that they can take confiscated golden-cheeked gibbons and black-shanked douc langurs where they can be treated and assessed for release back into the wild. 2008 promises to be an exciting time for Monkey World!

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Alison Cronin

HOW YOU CAN HELP

There are many ways in which you can help Monkey World – Ape Rescue Centre to rescue and rehabilitate more primates. All donations go into a 100% fund - **NO ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS ARE REMOVED.** Monkey World is not a registered charity but we have just established a charity, EAST (the Endangered Asian Species Trust, Charity No.1115350) and we have now applied for charitable status for the Jim Cronin Memorial Fund (JCMF).



Please help us to continue our rescue and rehabilitation work and to keep Jim's memory alive. There are still many more monkeys and apes that we would like to rescue, including a large number of capuchin monkeys from a laboratory. The buildings are ready to go now and we are just waiting on the final permits while we are organising their travel arrangements. We are also continuing our efforts to raise money for a digital x-ray machine for our hospital. It is likely that the laboratory capuchins, along with all our other rescued monkeys and apes, will need x-rays from time to time. For the capuchins and our stump-tailed macaques we need to check on their spines and hips, from time to time, as they have led very inactive lives. Please help us to help them.

Help by donating goods such as fruit, vegetables, bread, strands of garlic, or chewable Vit. C tablets (lower dose i.e. 60 mg). Any type of melon is good as all the monkeys and apes love them yet they are not too fattening! Our small monkeys love small to medium sized baskets and they would be good for the squirrel monkeys, capuchins, and marmosets to nest inside but they need to be quite robust. We can also use more, sheets, blankets, and towels. The monkeys and apes simply love them and we can never have enough – Aris is particularly fond of them! Heavy-duty dog toys, hessian sacks, un-used stamps, and thick ropes are always used while "feeding balls" or "kong" toys keep the monkeys and apes busy trying to get the hidden treats from inside.

You can help by adopting a monkey or ape and you will receive a year's pass to the park, a photo of your monkey or ape, a certificate, and the Ape Rescue Chronicle three times per year. Establish a legacy for the long-term welfare of the primates and be remembered in our memorial garden.

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Christmas Ideas

In the run up to the holiday season you might want to consider two new items in our gift shop. The Monkey World 2008 Calendar is absolutely beautiful and a perfect gift for those who are monkey mad. This year the calendar is new and improved with information about the rescued primates and all the Monkey World birthdays on the calendar.

We also have two new DVDs ready for release: the Jim Cronin Memorial DVD and 10 Years of Monkey Business. Both of these programs have been long awaited and are available from our gift shop, on-line and at the park. All proceeds from the Jim Cronin Memorial DVD will go to the Memorial Fund, which is currently being registered as a charity.

