It has been a challenging year for Hananya’s community with the arrival of Ben and Pip in February. During the introductions, Primate Care Staff have learned a lot about the dynamics of the group.

**HANANYA** - He continues to blossom in his role as the group’s alpha male. He immediately took to Pip but is not so keen on the idea of a new male joining his group.

**TIKKO** - He is definitely a ladies’ man, while being Hananya’s second in charge, and is influenced by the females in the group. Tikko avoids confrontation and likes to keep the peace whenever possible.

**SIMON** - He is moving up the hierarchy of the group and now feels that he can dominate most of the females; especially when food is involved!

**SEMACH** - He has a great relationship with every member of the group. He lives life to the full and is still the class clown.

**ARFUR** - He is one of the most recognisable members of the group due to his stunning silver coat. One of Arfur’s favourite treats is a slice of avocado.

**BEN** - He is a very sensitive individual that has struggled to adapt to life in a bigger group. Ben is very nervous of Hananya. He still has a close bond with Pip but the Primate Care Staff are pleased to see that he is starting to develop strong friendships with other members of the community.

**CHERRI** - She has been a key figure in the Ben and Pip introductions. Cherri has an amazing understanding of the dynamics of Hananya’s community and is secure in her position as top female.

**PEGGY** - She remains the other dominant female in the group. Primate Care Staff are frequently reminded of her compassion and patience shown towards Trudy, the smallest member of the group.

**JESS** - She is a quirky and strong-minded individual. Jess liked Ben from the first moment she saw him and has come to his aid during disputes. However, Arfur will always be Jess’s favourite.

**TRUDY** - Several months ago, staff noticed that Trudy was having difficulty moving around the enclosure. It was a very worrying time for the staff but tests revealed a back injury. Trudy showed amazing resilience and we are happy to report that she is on the mend.

**JOHNI** - She is one of Hananya’s favourites and this has secured her place as a key member of the community. At nine years old, Johni is an athletic individual and a force to be reckoned with.

**MARJOLINE** - She is one of the most demanding and theatrical members, throwing a huge tantrums if she doesn’t get her own way! Pip was immediately drawn to Marjoline and they have become great friends.

**VALERIE** - She continues to befriend the newcomers of the group and was one of the first members to meet Ben and Pip. Valerie is an easy-going chimp and will move happily between sub-groups during introductions.

**EVELINE** - She is close to Cherri and enjoys sunbathing with the dominant females. As Eveline’s position in the group has become more secure, we have seen a playful side to her nature emerge.

**TUTTI** - She is always seeking attention from the alpha-male and is completely in awe of Hananya. Tutti was a welcome familiar face for Ben and Pip and the trio have rekindled their friendship from their days together in the nursery group.

**HONEY** - She recently suffered from an unusual tongue infection. The trust that Honey placed in the Primate Care Staff during her treatment helped to save her life. Her swollen tongue meant that oral medication was not an option but Honey allowed us to give her hand injections of anti-biotics until the swelling reduced.

**PATRICIA** - Watching Patricia become an integral part of the group, it is easy to forget how much she struggled in the early days. She is a sweet-natured chimp and is popular with all members of the community.

**ZEYNEP** - She is a stubborn chimp and can definitely test the patience of the primate care staff! Zeynep and Eveline have a strong friendship and enjoy long play sessions together.

**KUKI** - Despite Kuki being a low ranking member of the group she still manages to get a large handful of what ever is on offer. Recently we have noticed Kuki grooming and playing with the other chimps more and paying less attention to us; which is a good thing.

**PIP** - She is definitely Cherri’s daughter, and had a head-strong approach to the introductions. She still seeks comfort from her close friend Ben but is fascinated by the older males in the group.
DEBBIE’S GROUP
Debbie’s group have had to cope with many changes in the past few months in routine and minor alterations to their house, but I am pleased to say that the majority have adapted well and as a whole they continue to make breakthroughs daily. The 1st May was an exciting time for the Capuchin team as their outside enclosure was deemed “capuchin safe” and they were able to go outside for the first time! Many of the girls have taken to the outdoors extremely well and like Amy’s group, take some persuasion to come in for the evenings. Other members of the group have been a little bit daunted by the prospect, but gradually over the months we have seen more and more venturing outdoors with new found confidence and it has been a real joy to see them foraging amongst the grass and exploring their new platforms and hosing.

Debbie’s style of leadership is domineering and vocal but nevertheless she has a band of ladies to back up her every whim. A morning release routine has been introduced to Debbie’s group via a new tunnel that has been added onto the playroom. The tunnel initially created some confusion, but after a few days the majority of Debbie’s group were moving happily through the tunnel, taking a grape and being released into their new enclosure for the day. We have now progressed to stopping individuals briefly for health checks, and giving extra food to those who require it, which makes keeping track of the 34 group members much easier for the Primate Care Staff!

AMY’S GROUP
Amy’s group have come on in leaps and bounds and every morning each monkey stops in a holding area before going outside for the day. This allows the Primate Care Staff to health check everyone, give out medication or extra food unhindered by the many other members, and clear the playroom for a good cleaning! Many in Amy’s troop love being outside and have adjusted well to their new environment, particularly the young ‘fluffies’ who generally play and wreak havoc most of the day. A few members even try to stay outside in the evenings which means bringing them in at night is not as easy as it sound and has meant a few late nights for the Primate Care Staff! Most evenings you can see Primate Care Staff inside the enclosure sporting lollypop in an attempt to signal to the monkeys that it is time for dinner and bed. The lower members of the troop have found adjusting to social life and the hierarchy a bit hard and this has resulted in a few injuries from petty squabbles but nothing too serious. Amy continues to rule, has many admirers in the group, and recently TJ has moved in as well. Usually Elvira and Mary follow Amy like shadows trying to engage her by starting games of tag. Amy is usually unfazed by the attention and goes about her business with the seriousness of a ruling lady. This includes important duties like keeping an eye out for the next snack and catching the autumn sun when it’s out.

THE CAPUCHIN BOYS
The capuchin boys have adapted well since their move to the Lodge. It is a hive of activity as the boys love to play; particularly the young lads who will make a game out of anything, or indeed anyone that happens to pass by. Their boisterous and playful nature provides a welcome distraction to the older guys in the group and has helped with the rehabilitation of some of the more shy and nervous members. Gorilon is still the dominant male in the group, is very popular, and generally has an enterage wherever he goes with Shawn and Joey never too far away! The three amigos spend a lot of time grooming and playing but are often interrupted by the youngsters’ antics. As with the female groups, the boys have a morning release routine so that we are able to check each individual every day and they seem to happy with this organisation rather than a free-for-all every morning.

Sadly on July 11th, one of our original capuchins from the pet trade passed away. Tom had taken all of the recent changes and challenges of entering a new group in his rather large stride. He seemed to enjoy interacting with all the new boys and had a quiet way about him that gained respect from fellow capuchins, just from his presence and character alone. The Primate Care Staff did everything they could to keep him as comfortable as possible, but Tom passed away peacefully in his sleep due to kidney failure. Tom was a well-loved member of the capuchin group and will be missed by all.

CAPUCHIN MONKEYS
By Hannah George and Jenny Leaming

The Jim Cronin Memorial DVD (£12.99) and Monkey Life -Series 1 (£15 INC p&p) both make great viewing.

And if your a Charlie fan, our resident artist, David Dancey-Wood has produced another amazing drawing of this kind hearted chimpanzee. These prints are a limited edition and we are now accepting orders for this special print.

THREE NEW GIFT IDEAS ARE AVAILABLE FROM THE MONKEY WORLD SHOP.
LEVAR’S TROOP
On September 4th Piquita gave birth in the early hours of the morning to a healthy baby boy and we were relieved to see, and hear, the baby suckling on the first day. Piquita has proved to be an excellent mother, using her thick furry tail to cover the baby like a blanket and allowing the other group members to take a peek at the new arrival but warning them off if they get too close.

Over the summer we have spent a lot more time working on training the woollys to cooperate on basic health checks. The training has been very successful and the woollys are particularly keen on the fruit rewards, so much so, that we find certain individuals trying to sneak into each others training sessions to get more of the grapes and blueberries on offer. Kuna is learning how to present her feet so that we can examine them for injuries and she has already learned to produce a urine sample when requested! This allows us to monitor the protein levels in her urine which is a good indicator of high blood pressure, especially during pregnancy. Branco and Levar, the two adult males in the group, are learning how to enter a travel crate so in the mean time, Levar is teaching Julio how to perform dominance displays. This is a skill, which Julio has yet to master, and we often see him falling off windowsills or bumping into things in his enthusiasm to join in the displays.

In recent months Xusy has surprised us all. She is the oldest woolly monkey on record at 36 years old (average life expectancy is 25 years) and generally she likes napping in the house and looking out for tasty snacks. However, during the summer sun she has started exploring and generally she likes napping in the house and looking out for tasty snacks. However, during the summer sun she has started exploring the enclosure together. This has not only provided Paulo with an experience and bond most hand-reared animals would never receive but it has also been wonderful for Lena, a new member of the group.

Despite her birth control, Kuna gave birth to a healthy baby boy on 10 November. We left the baby with her for 24 hours but like his brothers, Julio and Paulo, the baby was not feeding from his mother. We are now caring for the 380g infant who we have named Diego. Both Kuna and Diego are doing well.
Common Marmosets – It has been a busy year for our marmosets as we attempt to settle them into happy groups. We currently have 4 groups at the park.

- **Domestic Group** – Harry, Louis and family are still living happily together, although we do get the odd family disagreement, usually over food! Offspring Henry, Hazel and Lionel take after mum and dad with their character and attitude. The family love their food and insects and can usually be seen outside foraging for things to eat.

- **Bachelors** – Early on in the year Marcel I was moved from the bachelor group following social issues and swapped places with Lenny. Lenny fitted straight in with the other boys, Leo, Matthew, Nathan and Marcel II, and took quite a high position in the group. Marcel II has grown up quickly since his arrival from the pet trade in 2007, and is often the instigator of a game of chase or wrestling with Matthew, Nathan or Lenny. Leo prefers a quieter time, revolving around eating and being groomed! Things are rarely quiet for long with the boys though and in June there was a new arrival in Max, a 1 year old from the pet trade with half a tail due to rickets. Introductions have been slow due to Max’s past as a pet, but we have now swapped the boys and the ladies houses and the change of environment and increased space has encourage the group to stay together…so far!

- **Females + Goeldi** – Betty Boo, Gabi and Oberon make up our oldest marmoset group. We sadly lost Mystic our oldest marmoset at the start of the year, but the remaining trio are doing fine. They have recently swapped houses with the bachelors but are settling well into their new enclosure. Betty Boo continues to amaze: despite her body being crippled by rickets and poor eyesight, she has a great knack of finding food and insects! Oberon, our Goeldi, is Betty’s companion and the two are often seen huddled up together, making a sweet but odd pair. Gabi is still a feisty, mischievous marmoset who loves exploring the outside enclosure.

- **Marcel I and Kayla** – Our resident odd couple seem to have found happiness together. Both are former pets with a past history of problems when mixing with other marmosets. However since Marcel moved from the bachelors he has become a much more relaxed character and developed a great love for fine beans! Kayla seems happy with her new friend and the two have been seen grooming regularly and even play fighting.

**SQUIRREL MONKEYS** – The beginning of the year saw the arrival of two elderly female squirrel monkeys from the pet trade to join our 3 old females, Alien, Mamore and Balsa. The introduction of Topsy and Turvey to the group was very quick and all 6 get along very well. Even when there is a dispute, it is forgotten very quickly. The new girls are just as keen on exploring and hunting insects as the others and on a sunny day all 5 can be seen darting in and out of bushes catching bugs.

**MALAGASY** – The bachelor group of ringtails in Malagasy gained a new leader in January. Fennel, one of our females, was moved back to Malagasy. This was due to social issues with the other females. Everyone took it in their stride and Fennel soon established herself as boss and is often seen at feed time chasing the boys around, letting them know she gets first choice. Indiana, Cirrius and Hirnal usually get the brunt of it, as they are the mischievous, boisterous boys in the group. Douglas, Koreanson and Whitespot like a quiet life with lots of food, and the 3 of them always share the same shed at night, taking it in turns to sleep in the middle! Houdini is a very inquisitive character. Old man George has had an excellent year and socially is a lot more part of the group, he has a new companion in Rentin, who has been knocked down the order following a dispute with Indiana, and the pair often sleep in a nest box with Fennel at night. Also in Malagasy is Blue, our last ruffed lemur. Despite being an elderly lady, at 22 years old Blue is a very popular character in Malagasy. She is extremely active and loves leaping through the trees, she also keeps the ringtails on their toes by keeping a close eye on them and regularly teasing them, only to run away and sit in her house!

Female Ring-tail Lemurs – Tibet, Kirindi, Nepal and Rudy our lemurs spend a lot of time sunbathing and exploring the enclosure. They regularly enjoy stealing the stumpys’ scatter feeds and also teasing Gerald when he ventures up high in the outside enclosure.

Despite not being the best of summers, Scott, David, Sam, Paddy Fred and Tim have made the most of the good weather and were even joined by Jonathon and Phil on some occasions. The biggest change for the boys has been the arrival of their noisy neighbours: the capuchins. Most of the boys have been unfazed by the new arrivals, except Fred, who likes to watch us bringing them in at night. Fred often lends his own kind of encouragement to the mix with grunting calls and fence shaking! Primate Care Staff have been busy in the Stumpy house upstairs constructing new slides in their tunnel so that we are able to bring the entire group up on extremely wet days without too much hassle. This allows us to get into the playroom for a good clean and to add new branches and hidden treats. The boys have responded well to this new regime and are happy to come up and be sectioned off for training and health checks, providing food rewards are given of course!

Our 3 old macaques have had unusual housemate in the shape of 4 female ring-tailed lemurs over the summer. Gerald, Roland, and Koko have all enjoyed the old capuchin enclosure they moved to for their retirement. Gerald is still the boss and it keeps us on our toes trying to find places for the lemur food that he can’t reach while Roland, the oldest stumpy at 29, has been happy pottering around and enjoying his extra bananas and potato. Koko also took the move in her stride and was still having a weekly wash to prevent bacterial infections between the folds of skin on her stomach. The baths were so relaxing that she would often fall asleep while being bathed! We knew that these three geriatrics did not have much time left, but that never makes their passing any easier. It was a difficult decision to make but at the beginning of November we had to put both Koko and Roland to sleep as they both started to have organ failure. Gerald is doing fine and and we are now making plans to get him back in with the rest of the bachelor stumpys.
GOLDEN CHEEKED GIBBONS

Pung-Yo, Peanut and Tien – The family is doing very well and we believe that Mum and Dad are expecting their next infant now! It is early days yet but Peanut’s belly is growing and she is beginning to push Pung-Yo away now. Tien is growing in confidence and stature and loves swinging around in the trees having fun. Tien also likes sliding and tumbling across the floor.

Jake, Zoey, and Kim – Zoey gave birth to a healthy girl, named Kim, in March this year. Both mother and infant are doing very well and Zoey has proved to be a fabulous first time mum. Kim is very active and very vocal. She can often be heard singing along with mum and can be rather forward when she wants something! Although a little curious at first, Jake seems happy with the new addition. He has been very attentive to both Zoey and Kim.

Tito, Alex, and Vietta - As neither Alex or Vietta would accept Rafael we have decided to put these three adults together until a more permanent solution is found. All three gibbons have lived with each other but only ever with one at a time. Introductions have gone well so far so we hope to let all three have full run of the bedrooms and connected outside runs sometime soon.

Rafael – Over the past couple of years we have tried to introduce Rafael to three different female gibbons, Zoey, Alex, and Vietta. Rafael has not settled with any of them and continues to be agitated and aggressive. At present he is living on his own and seems quite happy but we are in contact with Pretoria Zoo (where he was born) and the European Breeding Program (EEP) for this species and we hope to be able to find Rafael a compatible mate.

GORDON’S GROUP – GORDON, HSIAO-QUAI, KAI, AND HSIAO-LAN

Last year, although Gordon was starting to grow and look more like an impressive male, he was still acting like a teenager. This year he has matured and developed some manners. If there’s trouble however, you can bet that Gordon will be close by! Kai has become an independent little boy who spends most of his time messing around with Gordon, or Hsiao-lan, or taking food from Amy, which only Kai can do. Hsiao-quai can feel a bit redundant at times but when she has had enough of him messing around, she takes hold of him and drags him away. It’s all in vain though, as Kai likes to escape and is soon back in the thick of it with the others. Hsiao-lan is still the independent one, but she lets her hair down from time to time and messes about with the boys.

TUAN’S GROUP – TUAN, AMY, RORO, AND LUCKY

Tuan is enjoying life - as long as it involves food or women! This year though, he’s not been content with just RoRo, Lucky and Amy’s company. He’s taken to sitting by the nursery and watching A-mei. His attentions are sometimes returned but usually ignored. RoRo is one of the more dominant females in the group and enjoys playing with Lucky. Everything stops however, when it comes to oiling and nothing is going to stop RoRo having her hands and feet moisturised, not even Tuan! Tuan’s loves Lucky and the two enjoy grooming and playing. Lucky is always watching the others, especially Amy, and it appears that she is starting to learn how to be destructive. Amy was pregnant this year and we started to train her to accept a breast pump and let us pull her nipples as the baby would. We had hoped that this desensitisation would make Amy more accepting of the infant as she has never looked after her own babies. Unfortunately, it was not to be. Amy gave birth to a little girl during the night, and when we arrived in the morning the baby had sadly passed away. Emotionally Amy seems ok but she has been a bit under the weather following the birth and we are monitoring her condition carefully.

NURSERY GROUP – A-MEI, HSIAO-NING, JOLY, LINGGA, AND DINDA

A-mei is doing a brilliant job of watching and teaching the kids. She’s very patient with them especially when the game of the day is ‘slap A-mei and run away’! She’s been keeping a watchful eye on the workmen building her new home, every brick that has been put down has been assessed. Hsiao-ning is growing up fast. At times she’s now too grown-up to play and prefers grooming with A-mei. Hsiao-ning is really starting to look and act more like her mother, RoRo, everyday. Joly, our nursery thug, is slowly becoming less dependant on A-mei and spends more time moving about on her own. On occasions she is even staying in the playroom with the others for dinner rather than going into the bedroom with A-mei. Lingga is doing really well and is an outside girl at heart. She is very close to Dinda and the two enjoy hugging and playing. Lingga has also shown that she has a temper and is competing with Hsiao-ning over the top princess position! Dinda may be the smallest in the group but she is no pushover, and will stand her ground with the others, including A-mei. She is just like her father when it comes to food and luckily she’s got her mother’s brains when it comes to operant conditioning – she is brilliant.
BUTCH – He is still the alpha male of the bachelor boys. Although he is getting older he is still more than capable of holding everyones’ respect.

BUXOM – He is close to Butch and gives him a lot of respect but he is also spending more time with Paco. Other than Butch, Paco is the only chimp who Buxom will back down for.

CARLI – He is the joker in the group and likes nothing better than to hide in the over-head tunnels and swing down with a loud crash to try and make the Primate Care Staff jump. Ėarli was the first to meet Seamus on his introduction to the bachelor group and is still a good friend.

CHARLIE – He really hasn’t grasped the idea of hierarchies and thinks nothing of pushing in between Butch, Jestah and Buxom to get to the best food. Luckily they are very tolerant of Charlie and usually let him get away with it.

FREDDY – He had a bad case of haemorrhoids and was operated on by a consultant gastro-entrologist to treat the condition. It was a long procedure but he now looks much more comfortable although he still has flare ups from time to time.

GYPSY – He has been a great ally for Seamus this year. Despite being a low ranking member of the group he even stands up to Butch in order to protect him.

JESTAH – We are still using different treatments to help Jestah with his dry skin. Primate Care Staff have made some real progress with his operant conditioning and we can now oil his hands, shoulders and back co-operatively, which is making things a little more comfortable for him.

JIMMY – He is a popular member of the group and is good friends with Sammy and Paco who look out for him if anyone gives him a tough time.

KYKO – He is a quiet individual who, although clever, is easily displaced by more dominant individuals. The new morning routine allows us to work with him one-on-one every day which he really enjoys.

MOJO – During Seamus’ introductions Mojo surprised us all with his gentle approach and the pair became good friends. To this day Mojo follows Seamus around trying to incite a play session.

PACITO – He is the cheekiest member of the group. Although he is mostly ignored by the higher-ranking members of the group he sometimes draws unwanted attention to himself with his antics.

PACO – Despite his large size he is still quite a gentle chimp. Whilst his displays are impressive, Paco seems to have lost his interest in taking over the group for the moment and prefers to spend time relaxing on the climbing frame.

ROCKY – This summer he has really enjoyed the addition of a large oak tree into the enclosure. Rocky likes displaying over the top of the tree and as he is low ranking his behaviour does not upset the group.

SAMMY – He is one of the nicest chimps to work with and is always looking for a game to play. Although he can be disruptive, nobody really minds too much because he is such a nice person.

SEAMUS – He has been in the bachelor group for almost a year and has settled in well becoming firm friends with Mojo, Sammy, Gypsy, Jimmy and Ėarli. He is still a little nervous around the higher-ranking individuals at feeding time but often joins in play sessions with Butch, Jestah and Buxom.

SALLY – Rodders is the apple of Sally’s eye and accompanies her on her nightly patrol of the enclosure. Sally is enjoying a slower pace of life with only Bryan, Rodders, and Ash to keep in check.

LULU – She is still very set in her ways and rarely deviates from her nightly rituals. If Lulu gets caught in the rain, she will fashion an umbrella from a sheet or blanket, then make a dash from the outside to the comfort of the inside enclosure.

BRYAN – aka ‘The artful dodger!’ Bryan loves the outdoor enclosure and has become more independent since the departure of Seamus, Ben and Pip. Primate Care Staff have to keep their wits about them as he’s proved to be a great pick-pocket.

RODDERS – He loves his food and still get incredibly excited about his lunch time milk drink. He will always catch a lift on Sally’s back however short the distance.

ASH – She is an independent young lady. She still has a very close bond with Rodders but also enjoys play sessions with Bryan.
PADDY’S GROUP

By Andy Asquith

PADDY – He has had a relatively quiet year which has given him the chance to show his softer side. Paddy loves morning play sessions with Bart and is a caring leader of the whole group.

BART – A year old in July, he is developing fast. He is very independent and is happy to roam around the pavilion by himself although outside is still a bit scary. Bart enjoys wrestling with the other chimps and looks like as big a handful as his older sister.

BUSTA – He is doing a good job as Paddy’s second in command. Whenever there is a dispute he is close by to reprimand the culprit although he still has his hands full with Gamba.

GAMBA – He is still the troublemaker of the group and enjoys nothing more than winding up Busta. He spent a lot of time with Eddi this year, supporting her as she becomes more independent from Susie and tries to find her place within the group.

MICKY – Of all the males he seems to enjoy playing with Bart the most, and will take any opportunity to pick him up and take him for a walk around the pavilion.

ATHENA – She has had a quiet year with plenty of time to engage in her favourite pastime, grooming, whether that be other chimps or members of the Primate Care Staff.

BETH – She is one of the more dominant females in the group and is highly motivated by food. Whenever the group gets scatter feeds, or any kind of feed for that matter, Beth makes sure she gets the lions’ share.

BIXA – She has taken advantage of a quiet year in the group to spend some time relaxing, especially during the summer months, when she could often be seen sunbathing on top of the towers in the outside enclosure.

CATHY – With the new morning routine, getting Cathy out of bed in the morning has become far easier and she is usually one of the first chimps in the bedrooms waiting for her reward. Rainy days are still somewhat of a challenge however.

CHATTA – In the summer months we use a misting system in the outside enclosure to increase humidity and cool down the enclosure. Chatta likes sitting at the edge of the mist but is still not entirely sure what to make of it.

CINDY – She is a high-ranking female and is determined to get her own way. This invariably leads disputes and Cindy always looks to Busta for support.

CLIN – Although she has an obsessive/compulsive nature, Clin has been more relaxed and has enjoyed the different feeding activities. Her favourites are undoubtedly plastic bottles filled with yoghurt and raisins that she always licks clean.

EDDI – She has matured a lot this year and spends more time away from Susie often choosing to hang around with Gamba. Although Eddi is getting to grips with not being the baby of the group, she isn’t above the odd tantrum to try and get her way.

GRISBY – She is close friends with both Cathy and Clin who came from the same French laboratory years ago. Grisby often waits for them to join her before she goes outside in the morning.

HEBE – Bart’s arrival in the group seems to have calmed everything down and the low-rankers are getting an easier time. This is especially true of Hebe who is now much more settled and comfortable around the higher-ranking chimps.

KAY – She is a quiet individual who keeps herself to herself but often loses her reserved demeanour when involved in frequent play sessions with Bart.

LOLA – She is obsessed with Bart and spends as much of her time as possible grooming and playing with him. If Bart isn’t interested she whimpers at him until he finally gives in.

PEPPA – She has adapted to the new morning routine very well and it seems to have boosted her confidence within the group. Consequently she is now happy to take juice or vitamin balls around the more dominant individuals.

SUSIE – Although to begin with she was very protective of Bart, as he gets older she is happy for him to explore the enclosure with other members of the group.

ZOE – This year it seems as though her rank within the group has dropped. Luckily she is quite a laid back chimp and it does not seem to have bothered her much.
We are in the process of obtaining a licence to carry out Civil Ceremonies here at the park, so for a truly unique and memorable day, why not tie the knot, the Monkey World way.

For further information and to check date availability, please contact us, however, spaces are limited so book now to avoid disappointment.

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**FUNDRAISING**

We now have a Fundraising department at the park and we have lots of new ways for you to help and exciting events planned for next year. We really are grateful, for all your efforts and donations, they enable us to continue to provide a safe, healthy and fulfilled retirement for all of our primates.

**THE WALK OF THANKS**

For those of you who have visited the Adoption Centre in the last couple of months you will be aware that we are planning to re-pave the park and our supporters will play a vital role in this. The idea is simple: £25.00 will buy you a single paver and as a thank you for your support, we will have your name engraved on the paver which will then take its place in The Walk of Thanks. These pavers make fantastic gifts and will be a lasting memento of your support for the work we do. Larger Pavers are available for Families, Schools and Community Groups for £90.00 each and for those supporters with a business, what better way to advertise and simultaneously support the park. The granite paver is available for both businesses and for those who would like to remember a loved one in a special way.

**BENCHED**

We are very aware that it's a big park and sometimes you just need to sit for a while to take it all in. We would like to provide more seating throughout the park and benches are available for either company sponsorship or as a special memorial to those loved ones no longer with us.

**BUNGEE MADNESS**

We have a very special event planned for September 2009; The UK Bungee Jump Club will be setting up at the park for 1 day only. Jeremy and Jez will be jumping for Monkey World, so for those of you who would like to join them, raise some money for the park, and experience the exhilaration of a Bungee Jump, please contact us for an application form. If you prefer to keep your feet firmly on the ground, you can still get involved by sponsoring Jeremy or Jez and by visiting the park and watching the event.

**GIVE AS YOU EARN SCHEME**

Give As You Earn is the largest payroll giving scheme in the UK. Simply decide how much you would like to donate each month to either the Jim Cronin Memorial Fund or EAST, the Endangered Asian Species Trust, you can give directly from your pre-tax salary, so money that would normally go to the taxman will come to Monkey World instead.

**ORGANISE YOUR OWN FUNDRAISING EVENT**

Cake Sale – Boot Sale – Sponsored Walk, Sponsored Run, Bike Ride, Treasure Hunt, Race Night – Dress Down Day at work - Coffee Morning, the list is endless, so why not have some fun while fundraising for the park, remember every little helps. A good way to promote your fundraising event and make more of the money you have raised is to log on to the Just Giving website, its free to join and by using www.justgiving.co.uk fundraisers for the park can have their very own webpage to promote their fundraising efforts, sponsors and supporters of your event can donate online, so you don’t have to collect any sponsorship money and Just Giving will also take care of the Gift Aid for us.

**SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES**

We are also keen to work with Businesses – what better way to promote your company and support the work that we do. We have various sponsorship opportunities available to suit all budgets and with visitor figures in excess of 500,000 in 2008, it’s an opportunity not to be missed.

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**SAY “I DO” MONKEY WORLD STYLE!**

We are in the process of obtaining a licence to carry out Civil Ceremonies here at the park, so for a truly unique and memorable day, why not tie the knot, the Monkey World way.

For further information and to check date availability, please contact us, however, spaces are limited so book now to avoid disappointment.
For those of you who have visited the Adoption Centre in the last couple of months you will be aware that we are planning to re-pave the park and our supporters will play a vital role in this. The idea is simple: £25.00 will buy you a single paver and as a thank you for your support, we will have your name engraved on the paver which will then take its place in The Walk of Thanks.

These pavers make fantastic gifts and will be a lasting memento of your support for the work we do.

Large pavers are available for families, schools and community groups at just £50.00 each.

The corporate granite paver is available to those supporters with businesses, what better way to advertise and simultaneously support the park.

The granite paver priced at £200.00 each is also available for those who wish to remember a loved one in a very special way.

For further information, suggestions for future events, or if you are already planning a sponsored event and would like to donate the proceeds to Monkey World, do please contact us.
Since the last edition of the ARC we have been trying to finalise the paperwork for Coco, the adult chimpanzee, to come from Cancun where she is being worked as a beach photographer’s prop. It has taken a while but I think we are almost there now and Jeremy and I should be able to go and get her at the beginning of the new year. That will make a great start to 2009! As winter set in we were not surprised to have to say goodbye to some old-timers such as Koko the macaque but it is never easy. But as one life ends another begins and we have welcomed a new woolly monkey baby and are expecting another golden-cheeked gibbon, eventually. All is going well in Vietnam and on Dao Tien we now have 11 gibbons and are about to start construction of the semi-wild enclosures. Of course our Asian rescue work is funded by the charity EAST and I am very pleased to announce that the Jim Cronin Memorial Fund for Primate Conservation and Welfare is now a UK Registered Charity, No.1126939!!

Over the past few months many people have helped with our rescue and rehabilitation work by donating goods such as fruit, vegetables, herbs, nuts, dried fruit, seeds, oats, garlic, bread, peanut butter, honey, jam, vitamins, fleecy blankets, pillow cases, blankets, sheets, towels, hessian sacks, clean used socks, baskets, heavy dog toys, fire hose, un-used stamps, biscuits for the Primate Care Staff, supermarket vouchers, medical supplies, 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, many are in this edition of the ARC!

We have gratefully received several donations and some have raised money by organising collection tins, cake stalls, boot sales, dress down days at work, charity car washes, pumpkin carving competitions, name the gibbon competitions, orang-utan talks, donations instead of birthday, wedding, or anniversary presents, sponsored swims, walks, and bike rides, and proceeds from the hay harvest. All of your donations are put to use – thank you so much. In particular we would like to thank The Murry Foundation for supporting gibbon rescue and rehabilitation work in Vietnam, Hang About Baskets for donating and installing beautiful baskets around the park, Sunlight Laundry for the donation of 500 blankets, Sun Cottage Whole Foods for donating muesli, peanuts, bran and wheat flakes, Winbourne Windows for loads of towels and linen.

This time of year is never easy if you have lost loved ones. Our condolences go out to the family and friends of Robert Garnham, Nora Davies, Dennis Stacey, Philip Oxford, Barbara Corbiskley, Sophie Castle, Jacomien Korf-Minnesma, Jean Cartledge, Janet Grove, Wendy Crabb, Charles Hughes, Marion Knowles, Joan Wiltshire, Richard Ryan, Thomas Mead, Katy Blakey, Dorothy Lee, Anne-Louise Ryan, Margaret Clarke, Maureen Gray, Roy Drayson, Andrew Hall, Joan Wiltshire, Jill Gay, Miss Beacon, and Denis Peaty. They will be greatly missed.

Thank you all for your support – we could not continue without your help. All the best for a Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year.

There are many ways in which you can help us to rescue and rehabilitate more primates. All donations go into a 100% fund - NO ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS ARE REMOVED. Monkey World is not a registered charity but we have just established the Jim Cronin Memorial Fund for Primate Conservation and Welfare, UK Registered Charity, No.1126939! And of course EAST (the Endangered Asian Species Trust, UK Registered Charity No.1115350) supports endangered primate rescue and rehabilitation in Asia.

Help by donating goods such as fruit, vegetables, bread, strands of garlic, or chewable Vit. C tablets (lower dose i.e. 60 mg). We are in particular need of cod-liver oil and evening primrose oil capsules. Any type of melon is also 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. 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 the park.

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