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Nothing compares to the moment when you see a new monkey for the first time and know that they have safely made it to Monkey World. All of Hananya’s group were inside having their tea; leaving the outside enclosure safe so the maintenance team could move Kiki’s travelling box on the fork-lift truck through the outside enclosure to line it up with the slide of the kitchen bedrooms. Kiki stared out at her new home with a blanket wrapped around her shoulders for comfort. She entered the kitchen bedrooms with no hesitation, which Primate Care Staff had prepared with blankets, bedding and some nice food. She was interested but uninterested about the noises coming from the rest of the house. The first thing that struck staff about Kiki was her complete silence – she did not utter a sound.

The following morning Kiki seemed a little lethargic and depressed so we knew she needed company fast. We chose Patricia, a young friendly female, whose background was a lot like Kiki’s. Kiki immediately wrapped her arms around Patricia and wouldn’t let go; fascinated by everything that Patricia was doing. She also found her voice, quietly copying the sounds of her new friend. They spent the night together in the kitchen bedrooms and the following morning ventured into one of the large play-areas where Kuki, Zeyneb and Tutti joined them.

Kiki’s confidence was apparent from the beginning. She would come to the mesh when called and take her juice, contraceptive pill and treats from the staff at Hananya’s house. She also started moving around the house from early on, passing through the slides and tunnel that connect the two large play-areas. This confidence shocked us all when it was Hananya’s turn to be introduced and Kiki decided to assert herself and launch at Hananya! After a couple of displays from Hananya to show who is boss, he was calm and patient with the newcomer. Kiki’s curiosity got the better of her and when they finally made contact she followed Hananya around everywhere.

By the time Kiki had been at Monkey World for three weeks she had met over half the group – including Honey, Marjoline, Valerie, Eveline, Semach and even one of the more dominant females Johni. Everyone was feeling reassured by the way the introduction was progressing. The next milestone was to let Kiki outside into the big enclosure. She didn’t take long to brave the outside world, running around the perimeter of the enclosure with her ‘guides’, namely Marjoline, Valerie and Patricia.

The only meeting that set Kiki back a bit was her second introduction to the feisty male, Simon. He had been nice on the initial introduction, but got a bit over excited the second time they met in the outside enclosure and bit Kiki. Kiki again surprised staff by her intelligence, quickly learning to show us the small wound on her backside to have it cleaned. Over the following days she was understandably wary of Simon, but some quality time inside helped to put their relationship back on track.

Kiki had been at Monkey World for just 5 weeks when Alison, John, Jeremy and their team from Hananya felt confident that it was time to put the whole group back together. It was a special day as all members of the group were reunited. Kiki had great fun running loops through the indoor areas, into the outside enclosure and then back inside again. It is still early days; Kiki needs to cement friendships and find her place in the hierarchy, but her future at Monkey World looks bright and she is a wonderful addition to Hananya’s community.
By Jeremy Keeling

In our capacity as the European crèche for orphaned orang-utans we were asked to re-home Silvestre, a one-year-old male Sumatran orangutan. He was born on 31/12/09 at Santillana Zoo in Spain, but his mother did not feed him so the owners and keepers at the zoo cared for the tiny baby until arrangements could be made to move him to the crèche at Monkey World.

Silvestre had a private cabin on board the Brittany Ferry from Santander.

In Spain Silvestre was able to see the other orangs through a window during the day, and have occasional visits with the other young orang-utans, but it was not possible for him to live permanently with them as he still needed regular bottle feeds. Monkey World agreed to take the infant and introduce him to the nursery group where Joly, Lingga and Dinda are of a suitable size and age and Oshine could have a chance to learn about babies. Clearly, when he matures into an adult he will need to live with other Sumatran orang-utans but that is several years from now.

As a tiny baby, we made special arrangements so that the ginger bundle would travel by road and sea and have continual care by the people he was used to – namely Maribel Bustiamante, his main carer. Brittany Ferries were not only very hospitable but they sponsored Silvestre's journey, along with all his carers including me, from Plymouth to Santander, then home again to Southampton. On Sunday, November 28th I left Monkey World to go and meet Silvestre, and get to know him, before we returned to his new home at Monkey World. I had two days to befriend our newest arrival before we made the return journey on December 1st. Luckily he was used to being fed by different people and had no issues with a new face on the scene. He is a really easy-going fellow with a great sense of humour, so we got on fine from the start. For the return journey we were accompanied by two of Silvestre's carers, their presence making the adventure more comfortable for our intrepid explorer. After a smooth sea crossing we docked in Southampton harbour in blizzard conditions that had practically closed down the south of England. We were met by Alison and George, from Monkey World, who had driven our quarantine van and passenger car through the snow to ensure Silvestre, and his team, could make the final leg of a very long journey and arrive safely at Monkey World.

Silvestre quickly settled into a routine with his new home and new family. We moved on with introductions in a reasonably quick but controlled manner. At 7.3kg, and slightly less than a year old, the results could have been catastrophic if we moved too quickly with the introductions and he got injured or so upset that he went off his bottles. Nevertheless, after only one day he started spending time with Lingga and Dinda, with breaks for bottles and naps. Soon after Joly joined in playtime sessions and Silvestre seemed to enjoy the company of his three new sisters. Next was Oshine’s turn and, while she was interested in the baby, she did not want any touching and just sat and watched me caring for the new addition. After a couple of weeks, Oshine could not resist his charms any more and started playing with Silvestre.

At this point Silvestre was spending the nights on his own along side the others, as I was still bottle-feeding from 7am until 11pm. The last feed has been gradually moved back to 5pm now and as the other orange people have been wonderful with the baby, they are now staying together 24/7. Silvestre has found his way into Oshine’s heart and also into the enormous bed she makes every night! Our intrepid explorer has even found his way into Lingga’s heart and into the enormous outside enclosure. There is no doubt about it; Silvestre is a brave and confident lad who has taken everything in his stride.
Over the winter months we have once again taken the opportunity to renovate and refurbish as many houses and enclosures as possible. A basic maintenance list over the past few months would include:

- Replacing the whole overhang around Sally’s chimpanzee enclosure.
- Expanding and developing the climbing frame for Sally and her group to include more platforms up high, replacing old/rotten poles, putting in new poles to expand the frame.
- The final bit to be done is a new section of tunnel outside to connect the two rooms of Sally’s house, so that they can use the tunnel even if the enclosure is not open.
- At Hananya’s house we have made repairs and redecorated the kitchen, and replaced old poles in their outside enclosure. Some shelters have also been added to the outside area.
- Now that the male stump-tailed macaques have joined the ladies in their new house, we gutted and replaced the roof on the old house, re-surfaced the walls and floor, and are now fabricating the new cage fronts for the inside. Outside, a lot of new plants and climbing structures have been added and soon the refurbished house will be ready for some new arrivals.
- Major redesign of the orang-utan enclosure to divide it into two enclosures. An extra tunnel was secured into place, connecting the two houses, and the climbing frames for the two enclosures were significantly increased in size and complexity.

It has been a busy winter!

By Louise McCance-Price

We are very pleased to announce our partnership with Discovery Networks Europe on our new series. The premiere will be in the autumn of this year on Animal Planet in the UK, then available in other territories worldwide.

The Monkey World team has been working exceptionally hard, and we’ve been following their progress both in the UK and overseas. In Series 5, you’ll meet Oshine in South Africa, and see her being brought back to Monkey World, baby golden-cheeked gibbon Mikado who arrives from France, the woolly monkeys from Basel, and chimpanzee Kiki, who is re-homed at Monkey World from Lebanon! And that’s just a taste of the Monkey World’s work that’s been going on – back in the UK, they’re working hard as ever looking after more than 240 primates!

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We’ll post the dates as soon as we know them, under TV SERIES on the Monkey World website.

The next transmission on Channel Five will hopefully be this summer ’11. You’ll also be able to catch each episode on their online service, Demand Five, for 30 days after each episode.

Nat Geo WILD - UK

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MONKEY LIFE - SERIES 4:

Channel FIVE – UK

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NEW RESCUE - TONY THE GIBBON

On the 20th March we rescued a three-year-old gibbon from a life of solitary confinement as a pet in Ho Chi Minh City. Tony is a little thin and has a "self-hugging" behaviour that baby primates develop when they are taken away from their mothers at too early an age. We hope we can turn this around and have him playing with other gibbons soon so that his condition improves both mentally and physically. We are planning to introduce Tony to Misu and Trang, two young female gibbons of a similar age. At the moment Misu and Trang are squashed up against the mesh trying to get a better look at the new male that has just moved in. Within two days of being at Dao Tien, Tony has showed himself to be a confident mischievous gibbon and he appears ready to meet the girls!

Veterinarian Uli Streicher gave Tony a health check

READY FOR FINAL RELEASE: LEADING THE WAY...

Lat is soon to be released back into the wild with Da and their baby

Da & baby are free in the trees on Dao Tien

Merry (pictured), Lee Lee and their baby will also be released back into the wild very soon

THE MONSOON RAINS RETURN

As the rains return everyone is getting ready for our first gibbon release out into the national park. Our field team has been surveying the release area, which is about 40ha. A small release cage will be placed in the area and, after a couple of days, the gibbons will be released. It will be interesting to see if they stay together as a pair and if they stay in the area that we have chosen for them — only time will tell!

After several trial and error efforts with different pairs in our small semi-wild enclosure, and other pairs loose on the island, we have just released Da, Lat, and their infant loose on Dao Tien. They too have a release cage which they are still coming back to so we are hoping that by June they will have shown that they are capable of feeding themselves in the trees and that they are not interested in people any more. The signs are good so far. Also doing really well are Merry, Lee Lee, and their newborn infant. They are in the 20ha semi-wild enclosure and have been feeding themselves and staying away from people for the past year. In June we are planning to put GPS collars on the males and release the two family group back out into Cat Tien National Park. It will be the first time rescued gibbons have been rehabilitated back into continuous natural habitat forest!

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By Donna Phillips

Our female stump-tailed macaques have settled into their new home at Monkey World and have adapted well to their new lifestyle. Introducing them together was not a problem and we have seen many friendships formed. Shortly after their arrival we decided to move our resident male stump-tailed macaques and introduce them to the new ladies. The males were introduced to the females gradually, taking Sam the dominant male and Phil the lowest ranking male down first. As they both went in relatively well, David, Paddy and Jonathan went down within a few days of each other and also went in without any major problems.

Each of the females were anesthetised for a health check shortly after they arrived to establish any medical issues that they may have. For example, Charley, who seemed to have trouble extending her legs properly, was found to have a dislocated hip and curved femurs. Sadly there is nothing we can do to correct her condition, but we know to keep a close eye on her mobility. Several macaques required urgent dental work so Peter Kerleisz from Zoorient and veterinarian John Lewis came to sort the ladies out. We are now also able to get monthly weights from all the individuals in the group to keep a close eye on their health. The weighing scales were a novelty to begin with but luckily they haven’t destroyed them yet!

One of the biggest obstacles we had to overcome was the group’s diet, combining their diet and also developing ways in which we could feed them to ensure everyone gets what they need and that they are occupied for as much of their day as possible. They now get three main feeds each day of fruit, veg and primate pellet along with two scatter feeds to keep them busy foraging amongst the hay and leaves. We like to give the macaques lots of enrichment items to keep them busy including bottles, kong toys, etc. When it was just the females in the house, the enrichment would come out the next day untouched. As the males, who were familiar with these items, were introduced to the ladies it was lovely to see how they sat fascinated, watching the boys to see how they got the food and then trying for themselves. Now the enrichment does not last long at all with everyone having a go at the challenging and tasty feeds.

We have found that the males still stick together and look out for one another. Sam is dominant and has stepped up to the mark sorting out any disputes amongst the others. He often makes the dominant females including Kelly, Noreen and Miriam. Maureen is the busybody of the group getting involved in everybody’s business and stirring up trouble along side the oldest member of the group, Cola. Sylvie is quite a boisterous individual but spends a lot of time with the second ranking Phil, Paddy and Jonathan. Charley tends to mix with who-ever is around but always manages to stay out of trouble and gets groomed regularly by the dominant individuals.

Unfortunately in the past few months we have lost three members of the group. Fingers deteriorated quickly losing condition and appetite. The staff tried all they could to re-gain her strength but finally had to make the difficult decision to let her go. The post mortem revealed that she had kidney failure. We also lost David, who had previously been diagnosed with kidney disease, and had lost so much condition that we put him to sleep before the pain became too much for him. Finally, we had to say goodbye to Rachael who passed in her sleep one night. It was a shock to everyone especially as her condition had improved so much since being at the park.

The PM revealed that Rachael had heart failure. Fingers, David, and Rachael will be greatly missed by the Primate Care Staff and the remaining group of stump-tailed macaques.

As spring has arrived at the park, the group can often be seen outside and they seem to particularly enjoy the sunspots and the deep leaf litter keeps them busy for hours. Their larger enclosure will be ready for them soon and will include high climbing frames, a pond, sand pits, trees, bushes, and lots more. We only hope that they still want to come back into the house at the end of the day!

By Mike Colbourne

For such a young orphan, it was not a surprise that Mikado was reluctant to move from one inside play area to the next, even with lots of encouragement, when he first moved into the gibbon house. With such a shy individual, I felt it would be weeks before he would even try to venture into the outside enclosure. Of course the time would come when he needed the fresh air, sunlight and extra climbing space for his development. He was more than capable to swing about confidently outside, but we kept a careful eye that he didn’t go outside during the winter for too long and get hypothermia.

Mikado came to us from a French zoo where he was orphaned and our lone golden-cheeked gibbon, Alex, seemed a perfect foster mum for him. In early March we made sure there were plenty of ropes and handholds to make it easy for him to enter and exit, which hopefully would coincide with some warm weather. As we began changing Mikado’s outdoor enclosure he started following Alex outside, had a good play around, but found he couldn’t get back inside! Luckily Alex moved to another bedroom allowing me to go into his bedroom. Mikado swung from outside into my room and I carried him inside. Next day everything was made easy for him to move from inside to outside and now a couple of weeks on he spends a lot of time outside interacting with Alex. He now moves freely from inside to outside enjoying the warm weather.

Alex keeps an eye on him at all times even though his play can be a bit too energetic for her. She is the most important figure in his life now and I only go in with him weekly, with minimum contact, to weigh him. In late March he weighed 1.9kg.

The most striking and stunning change for Mikado is his continuing colour change from golden to a dusky, sooty, colour which golden-cheeked gibbons go through around a year old. Soon he will be totally black, except for his golden cheeks. Voically he hasn’t really made much advancement other than odd noises emanating from his tiny mouth that shows the basic notes are there. They just need tuning and placing in the correct order but that will come with time!
SPONSORED EVENTS & FUNDRAISING

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SPONSORED BENCHES

2011 has got off to a fantastic start with the addition of 3 new benches in the park. We have many more locations around the park which are suitable for benches, and we are also looking for sponsors for three new benches which will go in front of our beautiful new stumpy house. Perfect for promoting your company or business. These benches not only provide much needed additional seating for our visitors but the funds generated are put to very good use providing enrichment items for our primates. The benches are also a lasting memorial or tribute to the families, individuals or companies that have kindly donated them. If you would like further information or would like to sponsor one of the new benches at the new stumpy house, do please contact me on 01929 401018 or alternatively email me on fundraising@jimcroninmemorialfund.org. Benches are priced at £650.00 each and come with an engraved plaque with your choice of text.

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This scheme is still running, you can never have too many trees! - Especially ones that will benefit our primates in years to come - so do please join this scheme, it’s a fantastic way to fundraise for the park and together with the engraved plaques they are a lasting tribute to you the sponsor and your support of the park and the work that we do.

Please note however, the next batch of trees will be planted between November 2011 and March 2012. Please contact us on fundraising@jimcroninmemorialfund.org for further information or download an application form from www.jimcroninmemorialfund.org.

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Don’t forget about our Cash for Cartridges scheme, and turn your empty cartridges into cash for Monkey World.

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It’s easy to do! Start by visiting the Cash for Cartridges website listed above and check that they take your cartridge, please note they do not take toner cartridges. Then simply put your empty cartridge into an envelope and post it to Cash For Cartridges “FREEPOST” R12L – ELUO – ZYEL. Credit Account No 2254. The Recycling Centre, 13 Main Street, Keyworth, Nottingham. NG12 5AA.

At the end of each month, cash for cartridges sends us a cheque and the primates get more treats. We really hope that you will participate in this scheme. It all helps.

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“An Enchanted Evening” awaits you and I do hope that you will join us. A champagne reception and delicious 3 course dinner will be followed by presentations and the opportunity to meet the team from Monkey World. The Charity auction is not to be missed and will feature exclusive park and primates memorabilia, as well as some very exclusive park experiences up for grabs. I have also made time in the schedule for dancing and have a fantastic group lined up for your entertainment.

For those of you who attended this event last year, I very much look forward to meeting you all again and for those who were unable to attend last year, do please put the date in your diary, it really is an event not to be missed, so join us in celebrating the life and achievements of Jim Cronin MBE in spectacular style.

Tickets are priced at £60.00 each and will go on sale on June 30th at 9am. Tickets will be allocated on a first come first served basis and full payment will be required at the time of booking.

For information or to book tickets for this event, please contact us:
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It was a very busy winter for everyone here at the park with buildings and enclosures being re-built, developed and refurbished as fast as we could. We use the colder months to get some of the essential enclosure work done as the monkeys and apes often choose to stay inside when it is too cold and wet outdoors. Most importantly we had two new arrivals! Little Sylvestre is the most beautiful and endearing young orang-utan and 8-year-old Kiki has surprised everyone at how quickly she has managed to find her place in Hananya’s community. It is wonderful to see these great apes having a second chance to enjoy their new adopted families here at the park.

Over the past few months many people have helped with our rescue and rehabilitation work by donating goods such as fruit, vegetables, nuts, seeds, garlic, dried fruit, dog biscuits, honey, peanut butter, vitamins, primrose oil, gloves, baskets, dog toys, blankets, sheets, towels, pillowcases, socks, stamps, supermarket vouchers, and biscuits for the Primate Care Staff. We also receive many excellent photos that adoptive parents and visitors take at the park. We have gratefully received several donations and some have raised money by organising collection tins, “Cash for Cartridges”, and “Give As You Earn” through the Charities Aid Foundations (CAF). We have received hand made cards for our gift shop, donations in place of Christmas presents or job payments, proceeds from “Bonus Ball” games, and donations from office quizzes, cake stalls, and cake days.

All of your donations are put to use and have helped with our recent rescues and refurbishments at the park. In particular we would like to thank Verwood Pet Shop, Greggs Foundation Paroll Giving, Andrew Cotterill and Paul Lawrence for doing the Great Midlands Fun Run, Joan Lee for a very generous donation, and Sean Bulls who helped us with the incredible expansion of the climbing frames for the orang-utans as well as the new dividing fence line. The team at Brittany Ferries were extraordinarily helpful in organising and sponsoring Sylvestre’s move from Spain and Middle Eastern Airlines helped with Kiki’s cargo costs from Beirut.

So many people have lost loved ones. Our condolences go out to the family and friends of Michael Perrior, Bruce Selous, Sheila Perkins, Kathleen Friday, Sarah Coverdale, Raymond Cuff, A Rowlinson, Hilda James, Suzanne Walker, Fredrick Hawkins, Joan Scarff, Rhiannon Parker, Ann Bailey, Wendy Thrilow, Margaret Chapman, Ian Jude, Susan Saunders, A Shurmer, Gertrude Baker, Martin Evans, Lynn Batley, and Selina Willett. They will be greatly missed.

I wanted to thank everyone for all the lovely cards and letters on the anniversary of Jim’s passing. It is wonderful to know that his memory is still alive in so many people’s hearts and minds. Thank you so much for your support as we could not continue to rescue more monkeys and apes without it. Maintaining the houses and enclosures for the primates is a never-ending job.

How You Can Help

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 re-established the Jim Cann Memorial Fund for Primate Conservation and Welfare, UK Registered Charity No. 1115350, which supports endangered primate rescue and rehabilitation in Asia.

Without your help our rescue and rehabilitation work would not be possible. If you are on holiday and see a monkey or ape being used, abused, or neglected, please let us know. Take down all the details and try to get a photo - we follow up on as many reports as possible. Help by donating goods such as fruit, vegetables, bread, or strands of garlic. We are in particular need of 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! For the gibbons and monkeys they simply love exotic fruits but due to the fact that they are nocturnal they eat them in the quiet of the night. Our small monkeys love small to medium sized baskets and they are good for the squirrel monkeys, capuchins, and how you can help

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