Letter From the Editor

It has been a very eventful year celebrating our 25th anniversary. We have had many new arrivals at the park, our building and maintenance team have worked non-stop rebuilding, expanding, and improving many monkey and ape houses and enclosures, we continue to campaign and collect signatures for our Pet Trade Petition, we held fantastic events celebrating our 25th year, our rehabilitation and release work in Vietnam continues, and we have received 3 awards this year, the last inducting Jim into the Dorset Hall of Fame. He would have been so happy with all of these achievements.

We now have more than 57,000 signatures - up from 31,000 at the time of the last ARC!! Our target is 100,000 so please help us to get people to sign for the sake of all the monkeys currently kept in the legal British pet trade. The legal trade in primates as pets in Britain continues to be a big problem for us and more tragically for the hundreds of monkeys that are kept in solitary confinement as pets in Britain today. Please help us with our campaign to give ALL monkeys the legal right to specialist care by getting a copy of our Pet Trade Petition and collecting signatures from family, friends, colleagues, or schoolmates.

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, dog biscuits, garlic, peanut butter, honey, jam, vitamins, fleece blankets, sheets, towels, blankets, duvet covers, curtains, hessian sacks, heavy dog toys, tug-bags, baskets, 'ready useful' boxes, fire hose, rope, ladders, un-used stamps, medical supplies, biscuits for the team here at the park, and hand made cards to be sold in the shop. We also have received more excellent photos that adoptive parents and visitors have taken at the park. Our Linen/Beding Appeal has been great with people putting their airing cupboards. We have had the help of several groups of volunteers to fold, stack, and store all of your donations that will be much appreciated over the winter months. We have also been getting donations from the Charities Aid Foundation and Give as You Earn scheme.

We have received several donations and some have raised money by organising collection tins, donations instead of birthday presents, used DVD and CD stalls, old toys, sponsored bike rides, sponsored swims, and sponsored fun runs. All of your donations are put to use – thank you so much. In particular we would like to thank Verwood Pet shop who continue to collect donations for the monkeys and apes, Graham Milliner for donating building materials and fixings, Asda, Tesco, and Co-Op for giving loads of pumpkins for the monkeys and apes over Halloween, Lamberts Healthcare for giving us nutritional supplements, SW Ambulance Service Trust for donating needles for our hospital, Jason Corbett who raised money at the Scottish Tattoo Convention, the Yorkshire Building Society Charitable Foundation and the Charity Committee of the BP Andrew Offshore Installation for generous donations, Parsons Laundry for two cages of towels, and Iris, Pauline, and Janice Norris for a thoughtful and generous donation. Special thanks go to Euro Tunnel and Breeze Volkswagen who helped transport Hsiao-ning to Rostock Zoo. Thank you all so much.

Many people have lost loved ones over the past few months, including our Monkey World family. In July Mike’s partner, Jeremy Jones, passed away unexpectedly. Jeremy was a regular visitor to the park and was always ready to help out whatever the need. My thoughts are with Mike and family; we all miss him so much. Our condolences also go out to the family and friends of Sabine DuVerne-Harrison, Audrey Darling, Ray Robinson, Abi Haythorne, David Watkins, Shirley Sims de Martinez, Janet Harris, Walter Phillips, Jean Birch, Janet Hezlett, Betty Jenkins, Maureen Dickson, David Court, Marianne Searle, Rosemary Snell, Mary Guess, Dulcie Lout, Doris Ottaway, Dorothy Webb, Emma Lewthwaite, Rosemary Jennings, Victoria Turvey, John Mauger, Betty Wigglesworth, Mrs. D Charters, Mrs. J Mann, Mr. R Higgs, Janet Underhill, Michael Dicker, and Carol Lee. They will be greatly missed.

Without your support Monkey World would not be able rescue and rehabilitate monkeys and apes from around the world. We are proud to have the best captive facilities in the world for the care and welfare of our rescued primates and we are committed to maintain this high standard. Indeed, some of you may have noticed a new enclosure in the oak woodland leading down to the capuchin complex. As I write this we are working on the final touches, and will be open to the public very soon.霏霏 has already been moved into the new enclosure and there will be more news soon.

Betty Wigglesworth, Mrs. D Charters, Mrs. J Mann, Mr. R Higgs, Janet Underhill, Michael Dicker, and Carol Lee

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 established the Jim Cronin Memorial Fund for Primate Conservation and Welfare, UK Registered Charity No.1126939 and the 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 abusively, 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 need of coir liver oil capsules and 60mg chewable vitamin C tablets as any type of mineral is also good as they are not too fattening! For the gibbons and monkeys they love exotic fruits, but due to the cost they are not part of our regular fruit and vegetables. And for our capuchin monkeys they love nuts in the shell and spend time breaking them open - walnuts, hazelnuts, pecans, and almonds in the shell are all good.

Our small monkeys and gibbons like small to medium sized baskets. They are 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 useful! We are raising low on “feeding balls”, “kong” toys and tug-bags. They keep the monkeys and apes busy trying to get the hidden treats from inside and we also use the rope pulls as part of the climbing structure for the monkeys. American football and rugby balls seem to have a tougher exterior – monkeys and apes love playing with them and they last a little bit longer.

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.
There have been a few changes in the nursery over the last year; one of the most significant ones was the departure of Hsiao-ning to Rostock Zoo in Germany. It was very hard for the PCS to say goodbye to such a kind natured orang-utan. However, PCS are pleased to hear how well the move has gone and to find out how happy she is with her new family.

The move that has made the biggest difference to the nursery was the arrival of Kai. Kai had to move out of Gordon’s group as he was growing up fast! Gordon is now fully mature, a dominant male, and would no longer tolerate Kai around his females. The truth is Kai couldn’t be happier with the change. In his own age to chase, all of them wanting his attention, and his new group its always playtime. He now has plenty of girls to cuddle up with, Oshine when he gets a chance. He quickly lets the PCS know if he is growing up fast and becoming a little more independent from his own age.

Over the last year she has grown very close to Oshine, both sharing a love for food! Dinda still sleeps in a nest next to Lingga every night. With special thanks to Breeze Volkswagon for sponsoring Hsiao-ning’s move.

Oshine continues to lose weight steadily and is becoming increasingly active. She climbs very well, although continues to walk upright. Oshine amuses the PCS by refusing to sit down without a cushion of blankets or wool! Joly has found in Kai, the perfect match. Finally she has someone who never gets tired of wrestling! During a break from play, Joly likes to spend time with the PCS and is always there to greet you in the morning. Lingga always needs to know what’s going on and is always the first to explore anything new. She enjoys spending time with Kai and her best friend Dinda. Dinda’s favourite place to be is in the playroom and is often seen playing with the public through the viewing windows.

As winter approaches, it is time to start flu injections. The character of each individual really shows when they are asked to take the injection – some are very good, like Grisby and Peppa, and seem to enjoy the interaction with PCS while others, such as Lola and Kay, will accept it as they enjoy the operant condition sessions but don’t like the needles! Eddi and Hebe, two of the younger females in the group, are growing up to be two friendly chimps that love to play with the other girls within the group, especially Athena.
Our Small Monkeys

By Emily Wren & Jennie Chamberl

COMMON MARMOSETS

MAX AND JAMES

Max has had an eventful year after the sad loss of his partner Betty Boo. He coped amazingly well for a few weeks on his own, and then behaved like the model marmoset for the arrival of his new pal James. The pair hit it off straight away with Max being more than happy that James was a willing grooming partner. Since arriving, James has really come out of his shell and is already picking up all of Max’s cheeky behaviours! James has not had the easiest time after being diagnosed with ‘mega oesophagus’ but he does not let this affect him and continues to be a lively and bubbly character - well suited to a life alongside mad Max.

HARRY’S MARMOSETS

Harry’s family group of common marmosets continues to do well. All family members enjoy spending their days running and foraging around in their outside enclosure. The kids, Henry, Hazel and Lionel continue to live life to the full with bundles of energy, whilst Harry and Louis are happy to sit back and relax, watching their family.

BUBBLE, SQUEAK, AND RIO

This year our pair of marmosets, Bubble and Squeak, has become a trio after the birth of their baby son, Rio. Arriving at the park pregnant, Squeak gave birth to a healthy baby boy in May, and now the three of them make a wonderful family group. Both parents take equal responsibility for the baby until there is food around, then it is every man for themselves!

SOLOMON AND LENNY

Solomon is all grown up and no longer needs the support of foster mum Gabi. Gabi has been living up with Lenny and the two have happily settled into their new enclosure. They love the tunnel crossing the public path and curiously watch passers by.

GABI, RATTLER AND TYA

Despite Gabi being an old lady she still seems to enjoy taking on the foster mum role and is currently doing an excellent job with the youngsters Rattler and Tya who have thrived and grown up lots since they first arrived. Tya has grown into a very confident and playful individual with Rattler being a little more reserved.

GIZMO, LUCKY, CHICA AND CHUVA

Our marmoset pair Gizmo and Lucky, who also arrived pregnant, have increased to a family of four since their arrival with the addition of twin girls Chica and Chuva. Gizmo and Lucky are proving to be excellent parents with both girls growing in leaps and bounds.

MALAGASY LEMURS

There seems to be continuous antics going on at the Malagasy enclosure! The ruffed lemur Blue tries herself out chasing the ring-tails, and ring-tails Fennel and Indiana assert their dominance over the others. To add to all that, Gabi on and off friendship between Rentin and Kayah also causes some trouble from time to time. Cirrus and Whitespot are always keen to join in on any of the current dramas, which generally doesn’t help Houdini and Himal keep their heads down wanting a quiet life. Douglas is in his own little world and enjoys throwing his scent around and wherever his please. George is another year older, but still seems to surprise the PCS with his ability to climb around his newly furnished enclosure. He has even been spotted climbing high onto his shed roof!

COTTON-TOP TAMARINS UNCAS & ALICE

Our cotton-top tamarins Uncas and Alice are doing well. Alice seems to have lost a little more hair this year and is showing her age, but Uncas is happy to cuddle up next to her to keep her nice and warm. Rarely do you see these two apart. Our new Saki monkey, Jethro, joined Uncas and Alice without any problems. Jethro is an elderly man who takes life at a slow and steady pace and is very laid back and easy going and, for this reason, he settled into his new home and with his new house mate extremely well and quickly.

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SQUIRREL MONKEYS

Our squirrel monkey group had a busy year, starting with the sad passing away of the group leader Alien. Unsurprisingly this would affect them all, but we pleased to see that it actually brought the group together and closer. Samantha became more confident, whilst Topsy and Turvey took on the role of group protectors. The group were introduced to a wonderful arrival, squirrel monkey Charlie. We knew it was unlikely that anyone would get along together but we tried as Charlie was a young adult and we hoped that he would not challenge Fidget. As expected, they did not get on well together but it was the last thing we wanted. Trouble ensued, deciding they rather like having a younger man instead of the old man, Fidget. Plan ‘B’ was to put one of the ladies, Turvey, with Charlie at the new marmoset complex where the pair have bedrooms and two lovely new enclosures. Fidget, Samantha, and Topsy are doing well and don’t seem to miss the very bossy Turvey.

NEW MONKEY ARRIVALS!

By Alison Cronin

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Just over a week later, on September 19th, I was called by RSPCA Inspectors in West Drayton to assist with the confiscation of a male squirrel monkey that was kept in a birdcage at a car wash. His name is Charlie and he is approximately 3 years old. Charlie’s case is part of an ongoing investigation. When we brought him back to the park, we first tried him in with our existing group of squirrel monkeys. We did not want Jethro to get in the way during the introductions, so we moved him across the house to be with Uncas and Alice, our cotton-top tamarins. The squirrel monkeys were together for one day before two of the ladies decided that they preferred Charlie and were going to oust Fidget. We moved Charlie to an area at the new marmoset complex, along with female Turvey, and the pair have settled in nicely. Meanwhile Jethro seemed happy with his new house mates extremely well and quickly.

On October 25th we collected the last two woolly monkeys at Twycross Zoo. Chippy is an adult male who was born at Yokohama Zoo in Japan, before being sent to Europe as part of the International Breeding Program (EIP). When Chippy first arrived at Twycross Zoo he adopted a young male, Branco, and they have been together for the past two years. We were concerned how our group would react to the new males – would they consider adolescent male Paulo a challenge to his position as the new dominant male of the group? The introductions went extremely well and within two hours we had the whole group together. Three-year-old Branco does not have much experience of life and has a lot of woolly monkey manners to learn, but Chippy has turned out to be a very kind and relaxed leader that has taken over the group with grace and style. We have great hopes that Sara, and eventually Yarima, will both fall for their new handsome leader.
Gordon has doubled in size since this time last year. However appearance isn’t everything, as he still has some learning to do. Gordon should take a leaf out of Tuan’s book in terms of his behaviour. Gordon spends time high up in his enclosure looking over at Tuan with his ladies showing he is not phased by his neighbouring cheek-padder.

Tsiao-quai is the most dominant female in Gordon’s group; she will take full advantage of this whenever food or enrichment activities are around. Tsiao-quai is a brilliant natural and foster mother; with two infants under the age of three, she has her work cut-out. Tsiao-quai is also a master of destruction! Pulling the red hosing down at any opportunity - the PCS wonder how she has time to do everything.

Jin is a very confident young orang-utan who loves to play as all youngsters do. Jin played a key role in helping Tsiao-quai out of her period of depression after she gave birth. As Jin grows up PCS actively see him absorbing all the adult behaviour around him, shaping him to become a well-rounded adult. Jin is the focus of the group and is proving to be an excellent big brother for little Awan.

Awan (meaning “cloud” in Indonesian, in recognition of her birth mother’s name) is a beautiful young female. Now 6-months-old, her traumatic start in life is clearly forgotten as she grows in confidence and benefits from the experience and love of foster mum Tsiao-quai. Awan has begun exploring her surroundings a little way from mum now where she enjoys the attention of big brother Jin.

Hsiao-lan has had an eventful year as she gave birth to her first baby in early May. PCS were hopeful that Hsiao-lan would rear her infant and were concerned about her period of depression following this event. With the help of Jin and some TLC from the PCS, Hsiao-lan quickly returned to her normal self. She is a very independent individual, enjoying time to herself in the inside enclosure and play sessions with Jin.

A-mei is a very sensitive female and despite numerous attempts to introduce A-mei to Gordon, she is still not comfortable around the dominant male or receptive to his advances. A-mei prefers the company of the other females and particularly the younger members of the group. A-mei loves her food and spending lazy afternoons cuddled up with a blanket in a hammock. By the time you read this, it is likely that A-mei will have moved back across to the Nursery Group.

This year has seen some exciting changes in the group dynamics; it seems that the dominant male’s position is not as clear cut as it has been in the past. Butch has been a strong leader of the group for many years, but over the last couple of years there has been a shift, with Paco gaining much more respect and support from the other boys.

Ben is spending much more time with high ranker Jestah, who will step in to protect him during any disputes - even against old pal Butch! Ben has grown up a lot in the last year: he is a politically minded chimp, who has the potential to be a very high-ranking group member in the future.

Butch is still one of the highest ranking individuals in the group. He is spending less time with old friends Buxom and Jestah, and more time with Sammy the big softy! One of his favourite past times is playing with low ranker Seamus, despite Seamus’ obvious apprehension and sometimes panic!

Buxom still takes full advantage of his position within the group to get whatever he fancies! Although he spends most of his time with fellow high rankers, such as Jestah, he is often seen grooming with low ranker Rocky in the afternoons.

Čarl is a very particular chimp when it comes to food. He is a slow eater and as he is low ranking, Primate Care Staff supplement his diet with extra items. This can be difficult some times as he will only accept the best!

Freddy has taken full advantage of the recent renovation of the outside enclosure; with more hiding places and shelters, he is enjoying a more peaceful life. He is a huge fan of the rotating barrel outdoors, often seen banging and spinning them to get any left over scatter feed that may be in them.

Seamus & Čarl

Butch’s Group

By Lynn Wylie

Seamus is still fairly low ranking within the group, but more recently has been getting in less and less trouble. His playful nature has attracted high ranker Butch; such play sessions often end up in nervous Seamus whimpering and asking PCS for re-assurance!

Gypsy has been in excellent health this year, with a reduction in his medication for his ongoing health problems (thrombocytopenia). He still remains a very independent and stubborn individual, although has a good relationship with the Primate Care Staff. He is keen to get involved in operant conditioning, allowing us to monitor his condition.

Jestah has been forming strong bonds with young Ben this year; obviously seeing his future potential – together they will make a strong alliance. Jestah still has a naughty streak, often bullying some of the low rankers for food and enrichment.

Jimmy is a thoughtful chimp, taking in everything around him and rarely getting involved in any disputes. During the morning release Jimmy is always first at the door, eager to get out to patrol the enclosure.

Kyko has also taken advantage of the new outside enclosure, being one of the first to explore the high stretches of red hosing. With more space and visual barriers Kyko has gained more confidence within the group.

Mojo is a very ambitious chimp, always trying to muscle in with the big boys! In the absence of high rankers he will always make his presence known!

Pacito a.k.a. “Squeaks” due to his frequent highpitched squeaking, often using this to attract the attention of the Primate Care Staff. He is not the most politically minded of the group, often ending up in the wrong place at the wrong time.

Paco has been getting more involved in group politics over this last year, often coming to blows with Buxom and Jestah. He is an impressive chimp who loves swinging around on the new hosing outside, displaying frequently to the rest of the group.

Rocky is middle to low ranking within the group but will stand up to the boys in defence of others. He is a good friend to many group members and playful at every opportunity.

Sammy is a kind natured individual, who has won the respect of most group members, especially Butch. He is a really playful chimp, who often stuffs pillowcases with bedding to make his own pillows!

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The Capuchin Complex has been very busy with the bedroom area being completely remodelled. The refurbished area has many new tunnels, windows, and several new bedrooms, increasing the inside area for the capuchins. The walls and floors have been surfaced and new mesh has been brought in for the refurbishment of the bedrooms and associated tunnels. Many of the capuchins have been keeping an eye on the construction and supervising through the upstairs windows. During construction, the three capuchin groups have had access to their outside enclosures and playrooms, which they have thoroughly enjoyed. Several capuchins have been sleeping outside in the recycled overhang sheds and the Capuchin Team usually come in to find the majority of capuchins outside enjoying the morning sun.

**AMY’S TROOP**

The biggest change to Amy’s group this year has been their move to the Capuchin Lodge. They’re loving having all the extra space in the forest enclosure, and can regularly be seen foraging high up in the trees. The other half of the Lodge is occupied by our group of geriatric boys and Amy's girls are loving being able to flirt with them across the room. As one of Amy’s closest allies, Mary has always been very dominant, but we have recently seen her asserting herself a lot more. Primates Care Staff are keeping a close eye on how the balance of power may be shifting. Characteristically Amy is taking it all in her stride and having far too much fun foraging in the trees to be worried!

**WINSLOW’S GROUP**

Earlier in the year it became apparent that Winslow had taken over the dominant position in the male group at the Lodge and decided to split the boys into two. We have two new groups with two more males moving to the main capuchin house. The boys settled well in their new house and have enjoyed 24-hour outside access over the summer. Winslow is in charge and looks very impressive with his face and shoulders having filled out with his new status. Following the move, Norman had a few issues with an apparent fear of heights and took a while to leave the top platform! William and Onslow spend a lot of time together and have settled into their new home and routine well. Fabian is the resident acrobat and is often seen throwing himself around the nets and hammocks in the enclosure. Ericho, Philippe, Franco and Donny are growing up fast; they are very mischievous and intelligent and constantly keep us on our toes. All the boys are still up for play sessions and bouts of chasing and wrestling are a common occurrence in this group.

**SONNY’S TROOP**

It has been over a year since the 3 boys joined what was formerly Lizzy’s group and there is no sign that the girls affection for Sonny is diminishing! On any given day he has a collection of females following him around and ‘tagging’ him to get his attention. Despite having his pick of the females, Sonny has not favoured the dominant robustus ladies, but remains most loyal to Veronica, a fluffy lady with no tail! His allegiance to Veronica and her friends has seen a marked improvement to the position of this previously low-ranking sub-group. The other 2 boys are also doing a lot better in this group. Garbonzo enjoys a much higher position in this group than before and, while Gizmo keeps to himself, he is much more relaxed than we have previously seen him. He also enjoys the odd grooming session with Sonny.

**TAU’S TROOP**

Tau is doing amazing and looks very different to the capuchin that arrived at Monkey world just over a year ago. Following a few months with the boys, the decision was made to move Tau and one of his good friends, Bruce, down to Fifi’s group as they were not thriving in the bachelor group. Tau and Bruce are a big hit with the ladies and both get their fair share of attention from the 25 females they share an enclosure with. Tau is the dominant male, having caught the eye of all of the dominant ladies including Babes’s one. Tau has put on weight and his face has bulked out and become more tanned over the summer months. He will never have full movement of his neck and spine, but this hasn’t slowed him down. When not engaged in female pursuits, Tau often pairs up with Bruce to challenge Winslow’s group next door. Bruce has also benefited immensely from the move, appears relaxed, and no longer paces back and forth. Although Bruce is not the biggest of males his head has become very square and he has developed a very manly strut and a playful attitude, which have gone down very well with his new lady friends. The relaxed atmosphere in this group has resulted in many play sessions and a lot more interactions between individuals that previously did not get along.

**SHAWN’S GROUP**

Our 5 older males were struggling to keep up with the youngsters so we decided to form an old boys group. As social misfits, Shawn, Joey and Caesar were also added to this group. The boys have done really well since the split and have enjoyed the arrival of Amy’s group as their new neighbours in the Lodge. Shawn took on the dominant role in this group and is often found with Joey. Both boys need to watch their weight so at meal times they share a ‘dieters’ room together. Gorillon is our oldest capuchin and is still going strong at approximately 35-years-old. The other 4 old boys, Boyce, Bamboo, Marlow and Archie, like to watch the neighbouring girls and try to impress them by displaying, flirting and banging around. Caesar is the only pet-trade capuchin in the group and therefore more human focused than the others. He can often be found sitting on his favourite branch at the front of the enclosure watching everyone go by.

**MONKEY LIFE**

**MONKEY LIFE Series 7 is now in production!**

By Louise McCance-Price

Series 6 was a great success! Thank you for all your comments and feedback on the Official Monkey Life and Monkey World Facebook pages, plus letters and emails to Monkey World. We’re so glad you’ve enjoyed the latest series. If you’d like to let Animal Planet and Channel 5 know how much you’ve enjoyed the show, please email or tweet about Monkey Life. Series 7 on Animal Planet

We are partnering with Discovery Networks International to bring you Series 7 of Monkey Life late 2013! We’ve just filmed new aerial shots as the park has grown so much over the last few years. We’re bringing you many new and exciting stories following the ongoing work of Monkey; the latest news from Dao and, of course, we’ll update you on the day to day lives of your favourite residents at Monkey World.

Series 7 DVDs should be ready to order for Christmas! They arrive the first week of December, but in the event the delivery was late, we will send you a gift certificate and the DVD will be sent on free of charge. Series 3, 2 and 1 are available on Amazon and in the Monkey World Gift Shop.

**MONKEY LIFE Series 1, 2, 3, 5 and 6 on Animal Planet in UK**

• Series 6 - From November weekdays at 4pm, repeated Mondays at 5pm and Wednesdays at 3pm

• Series 5 - January 2013 - Sundays at 6pm, 12pm and 4pm

• Series 4 - November 2012 - Saturdays at 6pm, 12pm and 4pm

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**HULU – USA only**

Series 2 is available free of charge on VOD service www.hulu.com.

For up to date schedules, please check the broadcasters’ TV listings. We’ll post dates on the Monkey World website and the Official Monkey Life Facebook page as soon as they come available. For information or questions related to the Monkey Life TV series, please contact info@primateplanet.tv.
Hananya’s Community

By Lisa MacDougall

Hananya’s chimpanzees have matured both individually and as a community over the last year. The group has settled well since Kiki’s introduction and everyone seems to have a strong relationship with their newest member. All members of the group have been making the most of the new hosing in the inside enclosure.

Hananya is looking more impressive this year with his displays becoming bigger and more elaborate by the day. He shows his softer side by engaging in play sessions with the females, especially newcomer Kiki.

Tikko is a good support to Hananya, although sometimes throws his weight around when the boss’s back is turned! He enjoys grooming with the high rankers in the group and, like Hananya, appears to have a soft spot for Valerie.

Simon has shown his kinder side this year. He has become good friends with Kiki and they are regularly seen playing and figuring out the puzzle feeders together. Always the acrobatic, Simon seems to never tire of this game!

Semach is always at the centre of everything, whether it be starting a game or provoking a fight! He enjoys chasing Simon around the outside enclosure and rolling down the hill.

Arfur has become more independent from Jess. He spends a lot of time with dominant female Cherri, normally bringing out her playful side. He still makes time to nest down next to Jess in the evening.

Cherri is a very gentle character who has strong relationships in the group. She spends most of her day grooming with Hananya, Tikko and Peggy. Cherri is still the first to any enrichment and carries away enough to fill both arms and feet!

Peggy is a strong support to dominant female Cherri, rarely leaving her side. Peggy is enjoying a little independence from Trudy, especially at night as she no longer nests with her. She still looks out for Trudy and waits for her to come inside at night.

Johni is working her way up the ranks, occasionally pushing her luck with Peggy. She remains good friends with Trudy and always enjoys spending time with high ranker Cherri. One of Johni’s favourite foods is mango stones and she gets very upset if anyone else gets their hands on them.

Marjoline likes to spend time alone, but is always keen to join Hananya and Valerie in a play session. She occasionally forgets her place when she tries to steal bananas from Hananya’s mouth!

Eveline is growing in confidence with each year that passes and she no longer relies on Cherri for dominance. She is more independent, but still has close relationships with Patricia, Marjoline and Honey.

Valerie is very close to Hananya. She loves her food and like Marjoline, likes to steal from high rankers! She is a playful individual who is often found playing with Arfur and Honey.

Kuki is very set in her ways and likes to be independent. She has changed from being very focused on the PCS to interacting much more with the other chimps. She is often tempted into a game of leap-frog with the boys. Although Kuki will allow herself to be groomed by others, she rarely returns the affection!

Kiki has come along in leaps and bounds this year and found her voice. She is a mischievous chimp who likes to throw grass at other chimps to get their attention. She enjoys using the termite mound, now distanced himself from the family and has started to sing his own adult male song from the tops of the trees.

Tito and Viella are a very affectionate pair of gibbons. They spend most of their time grooming one another or playing a game of chase around their enclosure.

Alex and Mikado are still getting on well. Mikado has brought out the playful side in Alex and they can often be seen having wrestling matches outside.

Tutti is very loyal to Hananya and is always by his side, especially on his evening patrol of the fence line. She spends a lot of time with Honey and is always straight over for her hot lemon and orange drink in the evening.

Honey is very fond of Hananya and, just like Tutti, usually follows him around. She is easily distracted however by enrichment items and food, which make her very excited! Honey loves ice-lollies and is normally the first to notice them being taken out of the freezer. She is very quick to let everyone know that a treat is coming.

Patricia is a friendly chimp and is very quick to comfort others when they are upset. She can be a bit of a drama queen, but is made better by a hug from Kuki or Simon. She loves spending time in the sun, but when the weather is not so good she will tuck up in a blanket in the warm.

Golden-Cheeked Gibbons

Zak is growing up fast and he has almost completed his colour change from blonde to black. He is also fully aware now giving Zoe some well earned time to herself. Kim is also maturing nicely. The family spends most of their day playing together and relaxing in the sun.

Teo has started his colour change recently, and has become more independent from mum Peanut. Tia Nang is a great big sister who plays nice and gentle with Teo. Tien has distanced himself from the family and has started to sing his own adult male song from the tops of the trees.

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Siamese Gibbons

Sam and Sasak have moved back to Sam’s old house after their very successful introduction. We took the opportunity to revamp the outside enclosure, putting up new ropes and pulley feeders designed to encourage them up into the trees. The siamangs seem very happy with their new home together. They are an inseparable pair who spend most of their time basking in the sun.

Agile and Lar Gibbons

Ella’s calming, steady influence on Nike has resulted in their relationship being more harmonious. Nike and Ella have sung together sporadically in the past, but now we are treated to a daily duet!

Paul and Kitty are very playful and vocal gibbons. Paul enjoys singing outside, especially in the morning, and coming inside for an afternoon play session with his enrichment. Kitty however, likes to sing both inside and outside the house a lot!

Mueller’s Gibbons

All our Mueller’s gibbons suffer a little bit with dry skin in this climate, particularly on their hands and feet.

Fox has relished having his hands, feet and even his ears massaged daily with oil.

Adidas and Dalumie have this summer discovered the benefits of having an oiling session, not only on their skin but enjoying a bit of TLC from the Primate Care Staff.

Nini, however, is a bit more challenging; he frequently offers his back to be groomed making it tricky to reach his hands and feet. Instead we tie up oily rags for him to grab.
Woolly Monkeys

By Sandra Rainey & Karen Swan

**LEVAR’S GROUP**

Levar’s group had several dramas this year. First there was the unexpected birth of little Mami, which ruffled everyone’s feathers – none more so than big sister Ayla. Only a short time after the family had settled, Kuna and Branco gave reason for concern as both had lost quite a bit of weight. General health checks did not find anything abnormal so it was up to PCS to come to the conclusion that would put weight onto Kuna and Branco, while making sure Piquita did not get too fat! Both seem better and have reached their target weights. The rest of the year saw the group settle back into normal family life. Levar has shown his softer side more than ever this year with daughter Ayla demanding more of his attention now that mum Piquita is preoccupied with little Mami. Levar is more than happy to give her this attention, and they are often joined by Diego, resulting in a huge wrestling and giggling session. Piquita has taken to motherhood again and little Mami is coming on leaps and bounds. He is a very independent young Paulo who is now trying to get involved in the big kids games and he seems to be able to hold his own, with dad Levar there to make sure things don’t get too rough! Julio has blossomed to motherhood again and little Mani is coming on leaps and bounds. He is a very independent young Paulo who is now trying to get involved in the big kids games and he seems to be able to hold his own, with dad Levar there to make sure things don’t get too rough! Julio has blossomed this year and is not getting involved in the kid’s play sessions any more. He quietly observes, siding his muscles and showing his enormous canine teeth to anyone who will pay attention. He really is becoming a very impressive looking adult male. Of course younger brother Diego is the one exception to the no play rule Julio has adopted and they still enjoy a close bond.

**OASKA’S GROUP**

Oaska’s group have had a fantastic year enjoying their new large enclosure. Oaska has had a trip to the dentist when PCS discovered an abscess forming on the side of his nose. The veterinary team found not only a broken upper canine, but also fragments of his other upper canine that was removed prior to him coming to Monkey World. PCS noticed that the girls, Quapa, Lena and Xingui, really joined for Oaska for the couple of hours he was separated for his dental work, showing how closely bonded this group have become. Milo, Oaska’s little boy, is one of the most mischievous youngsters ever to have been born at the park. Quapa has taken on the role of his main disciplinarian. She adores play sessions with Milo, but if he strays too far from mum Lena, takes play sessions a bit too far, or refuses to move when PCS are trying to get rooms cleared for cleaning. Quapa will make it very clear she is not happy with his behaviour with a high pitched scream. This usually falls on deaf toddler ears and Milo will scramble to his favourite person in the whole world – his Dad, Oaska. These two have a very strong bond and Oaska is taking full advantage of having someone in the group who enjoys his rough and tumble play sessions. Lena is also taking advantage of her son’s growing independence and has been seen flirting with Oaska – a sign that there could be another baby next year! Xingui remains a quiet individual in the group, although she is happy to indulge in Milo’s play and grooming sessions with Oaska. She has been allowing Oaska to make her his year, so PCS have everything crossed that next year Xingui will have her first baby.

**BUENO’S GROUP**

After a worrying diagnosis at the start of this year, Bueno coped well with his illness and continued to lead his troop with calm authority. However, at the end of October Bueno’s heart condition worsened and his breathing became so laboured that we decided it was time to put him to sleep. It was very sad, but the right thing to do for Bueno. We were lucky enough to get a great farewell present from the group. As we prepared to move the remaining two woolly monkeys from Twycross Zoo to Monkey World. The new dominant male and it may take some time before the new dominant male and it may take some time before he pleases in his own space. Mica on the other hand is a much more natured girl, but is well respected by the group. It has been a quiet year at the stump-tail macaque house with everyone settled into his or her role within the group. Rodders is the little rascal of the group, but is really starting to look up after his mother Cathy who is also a big lady. Ash is a quiet, good-natured girl, but is well respected by the group. The two new males were introduced to the whole group in one day. It was a nerve wracking time with Yarima who is the little rascal of the group, but is really starting to look up after his mother Cathy who is also a big lady. Ash is a quiet, good-natured girl, but is well respected by the group. The two new males were introduced to the whole group in one day. It was a nerve wracking time with Yarima. With the boys growing up, she and Lulu get to spend much more time together grooming and relaxing.

**SALLY’S GROUP**

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Sally is still leader of her small community. With the boys growing up, she and Lulu get to spend much more time together grooming and relaxing.

Lulu is occasionally the target for the boy’s mischief, but she is a tough lady and gives as good as she gets! Lulu really enjoys a bit of quiet time grooming with Sally.

Bryan is growing up to be a lovely chimpanzee. He and Rodders are enjoying their expanded enclosure and are often found racing up and down chasing each other.

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**STUMP-TAILED MACAQUES & PATAS MONKEYS**

By Emily Wren

It has been a quiet year at the stump-tail macaque house with everyone settled into his or her role within the group. Sam leads the group and does an excellent job settling any disputes. He enjoys the company of the females, in particular the dominant lady Kelly, and the pair often spend most of the day together. Norine, Miriam and Sylvia follow Kelly in the hierarchy. Miriam is a much more impatient individual, whilst Sylvia likes to spend her time outside and has a soft spot for low ranking male Jonathan. Maureen continues to be the modest and most stubborn stumpie, while Charlie has a very sweet nature. The lowest ranking female Cola turned 30 this year, but hasn’t slowed down. She spends as much time as possible outside and occasionally causes trouble amongst the group. Paddy and Phil have a very close bond and they are always together throughout the day, avoiding any trouble that may arise. Jonathan on the other hand is the mischief-maker of the group and can often find himself being told off by Sam for causing trouble.

Our two patas monkeys, Sissy-Jo and Mica continue to do well living together. Sissy-Jo is the boss, allowing Mica to groom her, but still has to return the favour. Sissy-Jo is still earning Mica patas monkey etiquette by telling her off from time to time, but it seems Mica understands Sissy-Jo and her moods. Both ladies enjoy spending time outside. Mica’s favourite spot is sitting up high where she can catch glimpses of the capuchins over the road. This is usually followed by her hanging back inside to tell the stumpies off for being nosy neighbours! Sissy-Jo is definitely the more stubborn of the pair and spends her days doing as she pleases in her own space. Mica on the other hand is a much more lively character, busying herself throughout the day. In spite of their differences the pair have accepted each other and appear to enjoy the company and companionship in their own way.

**SALLY’S GROUP**

Sally

Lulu

Bryan

Stump-tailed macaques (from left): Charlie, Miriam, Norine, Kelly, Sam, Maureen

By Stuart Semple
Endangered Asian Species Trust Update

By Stephanie Pace & Alison Cronin

Uh and Teo (pronounced ooh and tey-ooh) have now been at Dao Tien for 2 years. Both victims of the illegal pet trade, they have come a long way since their rescue. Having grown up in a tiny cage indoors, Teo has growth deformities from a lack of sunlight and space to develop his bones and muscle. When he arrived his twisted spine and thin arms meant he could hardly sit upright and did not have the strength to swing from arm to arm. During the past 2 years, with more space to move and a better diet, Teo now swings as a real gibbon and sings a beautiful morning song with his mate Uh. As their health has improved, Uh and Teo have become closer, and staff now regularly see them playing and grooming. If they continue to improve as they have done we hope that soon Uh and Teo will be able to join the birds in the treetops where they belong!

Dao Tien Rescue and Rehabilitation Center was opened in 2008 and in only 4 years it is amazing how much has been achieved. In August this year I returned to Dao Tien to assist with the release of three pygmy lorises – in 4 years we have now rehabilitated and released 13 pygmy lorises. We put radio collars on the lorises and moved them to Vinh Cuu Nature Reserve to be released back into the wild. The releases went well and our Primate Monitoring Team did a wonderful job tracking Sylvia, Talai and Son. Sadly Sylvia did not survive; she was attacked and killed by a civet, one of the lorises’ natural predators in the wild. The team followed Son and Talai for 3 months before their radio collars fell off and last seen the pair were doing very well.

I was also able to catch up with the team on Dao Tien and see what a wonderful job they have been doing caring for our young douc monkey, LaLa. They are now trying to encourage her to spend time in one of the cages alongside some of the more friendly gibbons, as we do not have any captive doucs to put her with. In the wild, douc monkeys and gibbons are close neighbours and will often feed in the same trees so, in the absence of other doucs, LaLa will have to grow up with gibbons until we feel she is ready for release on Dao Tien. And what an amazing future LaLa will have, living free on Dao Tien! It took a couple of days of Mr. Neghia tracking to find them, but eventually Stephanie, John Lewis and I were able to watch our rehabilitated and released douc monkeys, Thanh, his two females, the unknown sex adolescent, and his new baby, high up in the trees waking up to have breakfast! Knowing where they were rescued from, what condition they came to us in, it is just brilliant to see them living totally wild independent lives – and with a new baby born in the wild. It was an amazing sight to see.

You can sponsor Uh and Teo or any of the primates at Dao Tien and help support their journey back to the wild. Go to www.go-east.org for more information!

What a year!!!

From weddings, meetings and conferences to away days, charity days, family days, team building and volunteer days. Epic bike rides, movie night and a giant cake, to bungee jumping, anniversary parties, the gala dinner and the Olympic torch. Soggy sleepovers, sunny sleepovers, awards, statues, talks and a supper club! We really did go all out this year to celebrate our 25th anniversary in style! With a massive 43 events of one form or another in 52 weeks, it really has been an incredible year!

We very much hope that you have enjoyed this year as much as we have, and I would like to thank you all, for your encouragement, smiles and continued support.

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BUNGEE MADNESS!

Brave supporters from all over the UK descended on the park to take their very own ‘Giant Leap for Ape Kind’ in aid of the Jim Cronin Memorial Fund (registered charity number 1126939). Once again we had the support of fantastic local band, Brass Monkeys, and new this year were demonstrations and workshops by the super cool team from Maverick Slacklines. We had a great day! Thank you to everyone who was involved and supported this event.

Photographs are available to view and purchase online now at: www.jimcroninmemorialfund.org/Pages/bungee2012.html

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New Monkey World Gift Boxes!
A variety of gift boxes are now available from the Monkey World online gift shop. Pre-filled with gifts or select your own!
www.monkeyworld.org/Monkey-World-Online-Gift-Shop

25th Anniversary ‘Monkey Life’ DVD box set available soon!

Charity Shop!
The Jim Cronin Memorial Fund Charity Shop is now available to view online at:
www.jimcroninmemorialfund.org/Pages/charityshop.html
As the campers arrived for the September sleepover, the sun was shining and it was hot, hot, hot!!! The tents went up in record time and the sunbathing began! The evening’s entertainment included a quiz, a saxophone player and fire dancing, in addition to our usual campfire and sing song! Once again, it was an absolute pleasure to spend time with and get to know more of our supporters. Visit www.jimcroninmemorialfund.org for more photographs of this event. We still have a few spaces available on our 2013 Sleepover Events, so for information or to book your place, contact us on 01929 401018 or fundraising@jimcroninmemorialfund.org.

*Coming Soon - Great Big Family Sleepover! Watch this space!*