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APE MOVES: SALLY’S & GORDON’S GROUPS SWAP ENCLOSURES!  

By Alison Cronin

For some time we have been planning and organising to move Gordon and Tuan’s orang-utan groups away from each other. However before we went ahead with such a big move we wanted to get our three groups of orang-utans in groups that were appropriate for their age and most importantly into groups where everyone got along together. We didn’t like keeping Gordon and Tuan’s families living next door to each other as adult male orangs need space between their territories. The obvious solution was for Gordon, Amy, Hsiao-lan, and Lucky to swap houses with chimps Sally, Lulu, Bryan, Rodders and Ash.

We started on August 3rd at 4.30am with the first half of the plan – moving Sally’s chimps up to Tuan’s house, which was “borrowed” for 24 hours. John Lewis arrived to sedate and move all 9 apes over two days as it was not going to be possible to get everyone moved prior to the park opening during our busiest time. Sally’s chimps were crated and transported over one by one starting with Lulu and Bryan as chaps were crated and transported over opening during our busiest time. Sally’s people were moved temporarily into Tuan’s house where they spent the day relaxing and recovering. July’s weather enabled the orang chaps to sleep outside with plenty of blankets.

At 4.30am the next day, we did exactly the same with Gordon’s orange mob. Not to be outdone by the chimpanzees, all 4 accepted their anaesthetic with a simple injection! Gordon was the biggest concern as big males can have problems breathing and getting enough blood to their heart when sedated. John monitored everyone closely and one by one they were transported across the park to what was Sally’s house. All behaved immaculately throughout.

The final step was cleaning the end Pavilion for Sally’s tribe to make the short journey from Tuan’s house, through the connecting tunnels.

Both groups of apes settled quickly into their new routines, though Sally’s people are camping out as our Maintenance Team are refurbishing their new Pavilion home. They are having a great time as the weather has been particularly mild and they are enjoying 24hrs outside with lots of blankets. When finished, the accommodation and space will be second to none!

The new house is perfect for the orang-utans with an overhead tunnel that links the play-room and bedrooms and roof top feeding to encourage them to climb and work for their dinner. The outside enclosure has some new climbing apparatus and is currently being modified to allow Primate Care Staff to place breakfast up on the top platforms, again to encourage the orang-utans to climb. Hananya’s community have been shouting at their new neighbours and seem to get frustrated when they don’t get a reaction!
Building & Maintenance

By Alison Cronin

With the monkey and apes moves and our newest arrival, there was a lot of building and maintenance work to be done in preparation.

With more than 250 primates on site it is a continuous job to keep our houses, enclosures, climbing frames, fences, utilities, and kitchens modern, clean, safe, and interesting. We do all our own design and building work and without your continued support this would not be possible.

Over the past few months we have completed the following:

Sonny’s Capuchin Group
Gutted, fiberglassed, and refurbished the playroom at Sonny’s Capuchin Enclosure.

Woolly Monkeys
Refurbished the herb beds at the Barn Woolly Enclosure (pictured). Also added extra tunnels at the Barn Woolly Enclosure.

Paddy’s Chimpanzee Group
Refurbished Paddy’s chimpanzee’s climbing frame.

Kan’bulo, The Slow Loris
Built two new bedrooms for Kan’bulo the slow loris.

Chimpanzee Pavilion
Gutted the end pavilion and sheltered viewing area. The pavilion will be divided up into 7 bedrooms and the viewing area will become a playroom with viewing windows for Sally’s chimpanzees.

Added extra fencing to keep Rodders and Bryan from displaying on the middle wall, which could bother Tuan’s orang-utans.

FROM ALL THE PRIMATES AT THE PARK, THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Woolly Moves

By Sandra Rainey

When little Ayla became sexually mature at the start of the year, we knew we were going to have to move her into one of our other family groups to avoid inbreeding. When we all sat down to decide which group Ayla should move to, it became obvious that there were several moves to consider as our youngsters grow up. Rather than upsetting the groups on several occasions, we looked to the future and decided to have one big moving day. We needed to make sure that our females were in groups where they felt comfortable and were not being bullied by other individuals, and we wanted to give both Oaska and Chippy a couple of mature ladies in their groups as they have not had as many babies as Levar. Levar has proven himself to be a fantastic breeding male, and father, having fathered at least 8 babies. With hopes of Oaska’s and Chippy’s groups expanding more than Levar’s, we decided that these 2 males needed to live in our two biggest houses to accommodate their expanding families.

The move was done in 2 stages. Stage 1 - Pacaja moved from Oaska’s group into Chippy’s group. And one week later Stage 2 - Oaska, Xingu and baby Xavi were moved from the ‘Pond Woolly House’ and taken to the ‘Top Woolly House’. This left Quapa to meet Enzo, who moved from Chippy’s group at the ‘Barn Woollys’ to the ‘Pond Woolly’ house. Levar and Mani were then moved from the ‘Top Woolly House’ and taken to meet Quapa and Enzo. The final piece of the puzzle was to introduce Oaska, Xingu and Xavi to Piquita, Ayla and Bueno Jr. in the ‘Top Woolly House’. Stage 2 happened in one morning and all woollys were moved by catching them in transport cages that are built into the tunnel system in their houses.

Our three woolly groups are:
- Top Woolly House: Oaska, Piquita, Ayla, Xingu & Xavi, and Bueno Jr.
- Barn Woolly House: Chippy, Yarima, Pacaja, Paulo, Branco II and Eva.
- Pond Woolly House: Levar, Quapa, Enzo and Mani.

So far everyone has settled well and new friendships are blossoming. Oaska and Levar both seem delighted with their new houses, as well as their new group members. Chippy is head over heels for Pacaja and she is enjoying playing with the younger members of the group. The woolly team, meanwhile, are busy making sure everything continues to go well for the new families and, as always, also making sure they are ready to welcome the next round of babies who are already on the way. Watch this space!
**SMELL YOU PYGMY LORIS!**

Our new pygmy loris complex on Dao Tien is up and running, with extra height providing security and a more natural height for the pygmy loris to curl up and sleep during the day and explore through the night. One of the things I noticed most about the pygmy loris in the new complex was the smell! A corridor runs down the centre of the open mesh house so I was surrounded by 8 pygmy loris, and even though they are small, their musky rich smell was strong. It is the kind of smell that sticks to the top of your mouth, quite overwhelming, but in a good way! It often is the case some of the most beautiful animals are the most smelly.

In August five pygmy lorises (a male and four females) were radio collared and returned to the forest after rehabilitation in the new complex. We have now rehabilitated and returned 20 pygmy loris to the wild since 2008. For each release we have slightly modified our methods, learning from previous releases and identifying exactly what husbandry routines, environmental conditions, and forest type help the loris to survive following their release. Perhaps more importantly, identifying conditions or circumstances that make their survival more difficult. This time the only modification to our rehabilitation and release programme was a light weight bamboo frame release cage that provided a predator-safe area for the loris to relax and get used to their surroundings following their transfer to the forest. The light weight cage makes it easy for the Dao Tien Primate Release and Monitoring Team to take the loris further into the forest at a very low cost.

For the three loris that are not fit for release, as they are too humanised or do not have their teeth, they will be kept on Dao Tien where their stories can be told to school groups, local visitors and tourists as educating people about the loris' plight is so important.

In August we presented our findings at the International Primate Congress in Hanoi, sharing our findings in order to help develop loris rehabilitation, release, and moving gibbons to the new semi-wild conservation.

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**GIBBON UPDATE**

Misu & Limhuyen - their baby has finally arrived and so far Misu is proving to be a super mum and Limhuyen a protective dad. Hopefully the birth of their infant will cement the pair bond and this young family will go on to be excellent candidates for release next year.
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   unverifiable, and potentially exaggerated, estimates of the
   numbers of monkeys in the pet trade. Because of this, the
   Government summarily dismissed their concerns.
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   particular focus on breeding and transport.
4. The Government recognises that sale of primates on the
   internet should be governed by the same laws that apply to
   pet shops and that they will encourage relevant internet
   sites to educate people about the monkey’s specialist needs
   before they consider such a purchase.
5. The Government agrees to publicise the issues surrounding
   the keeping of primates as pets.
6. The Government will recommend to local authorities that
   they use the standards and inspectors that are used for zoo
   licensing.

By Alison Cronin
On September 12th the Government announced it’s response to the EFRA Select Committee’s review of primates kept as pets in the UK. I did suspect that little, if anything, was going to be done to change the current laws, but I had hoped that at least the Government would acknowledge that marmosets, tamarins, and squirrel monkeys (66 species in total) were deserving of being reinstated onto the Dangerous Wild Animal’s list - not because they are necessarily dangerous, but because they need to be part of a registration system where standards of care can be checked. As it stands there was no such acknowledgment and a person can still purchase any of these 66 species, over the counter like a goldfish - no licence or registration is required. This is appalling.

The  Odd COuple : MiCa  & G eOrGe

By Susan Tunstall, Primate Planet Productions

Monkey Life Series 8
I would like to thank everyone who pledged towards our Kickstarter campaign. Although we didn’t achieve the target the support has encouraged us to move forward with a new series. We have continued filming and have some great footage of Sally’s chimpanzee group, Gordon’s orang-utan group and the three groups of woolly monkeys all on the move! As soon as I have any news on how you can see this series we will let you know.

Loris International Rescue
We followed Alison on her recent rescue mission to the Maldives to bring Kan’bulo, the slow loris, back to the UK. We captured the moment Alison saw Kan’bulo for the first time and her journey of over 5,000 miles back to Monkey World, which involved planes, boats and automobiles! We are keeping a video journal of her progress while in quarantine, as well as following the story as it unfolds – what species is she and where did she come from?!

Monkey Life DVD’s
Series 5 is now available to buy from the Monkey Life World online giftshop. Monkey Life Series 6 will be available from the end of October so please let your family and friends know what you would like for Christmas!

Our new website has now launched at: www.primateplanet.tv so let us know what you think.

Follow us on Facebook and Twitter and watch out for updates on our You Tube Channel.

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

By Karen Swan

After Sissy-Jo passed away, Mica, our patas monkey, had been living on her own at the stump-tailed macaque house. We also had George, one of our elderly ring-tailed lemurs who had been living out of the group and needed company. We decided to see if the two different species would live together with the hope that they would be able to provide each other with the companionship they had both been missing.

Mica and George were moved to another enclosure for the introduction to take place. It took a little while for Mica to build up the confidence to get close to George, but now they are inseparable with Mica spending a lot of the day grooming him. A great friendship formed between the unlikely pair!

This move allowed time, and extra space to help settle our newest stump-tailed macaque, Floh, into her group following her move to Monkey World from Germany. Floh has now fully integrated with the rest of the stump-tailed macaques, so we have been able to bring George and Mica back down to the stump-tailed macaque house where they have 3 bedrooms and a nice cage with loads of foliage, benches, and climbing frames to themselves. The odd couple are really enjoying life at present, George spending most of his day out sunbathing with Mica never far from his side, giving everyone great opportunities to snap photos of this unusual pair. The friendship can appear a bit one-sided at times with George rarely reciprocating with the grooming, but as this was the same for Mica with Sissy-Jo she does not seem to mind. Mica has also become very protective of George and it is not unusual for her to threaten the Primate Care Staff if she feels they are getting too close to him.

A patas monkey and ring-tailed lemur living together may turn a few heads, but it has been an amazing success for both primates and a very strong bond has formed between the two.

So what now?! I have saved our 110,600 signature petition calling for all primates that are kept as pets in UK to have the same standard of care as they do in zoos or wildlife parks and have asked my MP, Richard Drax, to come with me to present them to Downing Street. When we have a date, I would like to ask all of you who are able to come and join us outside of No 10 to let the politicians know we will not stop campaigning for those who cannot speak for themselves.

PLEASE:
• Write to your MPs, letting them know how disappointed you are with the government’s response,
• Let us know if you are able to meet at Downing Street
• And check our Facebook page and website for updates

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Monkey Life World trade - a call to arms!
SLOW LORIS
KAN’BULO:
WHEN A BOY IS A GIRL!

By Alison Cronin

On April 14th I was contacted by Alan Knight of International Animal Rescue. The message was simple, “Any chance of offering a home to a slow loris that is otherwise going to be killed?” This is not a species we have at the park but we do rescue, rehabilitate, and release pygmy lorises at our sister sanctuary, Dao Tien, in Vietnam (see pages 6-7). First step was to check the circumstances of where the loris had come from and who currently owned it.

During a drugs raid in January, police in the Maldives found and confiscated a slow loris. The Maldives joined the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species (CITES) in 2013 and this loris (listed as CITES Appendix 1) was the first CITES confiscation that they had done. As CITES is an international treaty, governments around the world are meant to work together to prevent any trade in endangered wildlife. The Maldivian authorities assumed that the international community would help with the loris, which did not belong in the Maldives, but no one was prepared to state such a thing. I knew instantly that we should try and help this individual, but more importantly that we should support and congratulate the Maldivian authorities for enforcing CITES law. If governments around the world do not get support in caring for confiscated wildlife, they will not seize illegal animals as they will only have to put them down. This was the situation that the Maldivian authorities were facing. I let them know that the Jim Cronin Memorial Fund for Primate Welfare and Conservation and Monkey World would help them to find a home for the loris, organise the paperwork, transport, and the quarantine in UK. It wasn’t going to be easy, but it was the right thing to do and the exact reason why Jim had started Monkey World in 1987 to give the Spanish Government a place to send all the illegal beach chimpanzees that had been smuggled from the wild.

The CITES papers took a while to finalise, but the biggest problem was finding a way to transport the loris back to Monkey World. I approached many different airlines, charter carriers, and private jet owners to find a solution but nothing was possible. The only airline that flies direct to the Maldives was British Airways, but they were not organised to transport any animals in or out of Malé. Following many emails, British Airways agreed to make an exception for the loris as this was its last chance – the only condition, that I travel out and supervise the move. Arrangements were finalised and I headed out on August 10th to collect the male Bengal slow loris.

I arrived in the Maldives to find conditions were not ideal, but they had done a wonderful job in caring for the loris. The Police had discovered him. They cared for the loris even though there was no budget for their time or for the bananas and baby rice that they were feeding him. The Police were very happy that we had agreed to help as they liked Kalo (meaning ‘Buddy’ in Maldivian) and did not want to put him down. I went to Prison Island to see Kalo before his move and to learn about how the local police had cared for him. The conditions were not ideal, but they had done a wonderful job keeping this unique primate alive. We agreed to move Kalo on August 14th and it was going to be done in order to cause him the least amount of stress. From my brief visit with Kalo I wondered if “he” was a she, as it is not easy to tell with nocturnal primates the original 4 species are being divided up into more distinct species. The loris in the Maldives had been identified as a male Bengal slow loris from its appearance.

Since he was confiscated in January, the loris had been kept on Dhoonidoo or Prison Island in the small bird cage in which the Police had discovered him. They cared for the loris even though there was no budget for their time or for the bananas and baby rice that they were feeding him. The Police were very happy that we had agreed to help as they liked Kalo (meaning ‘Buddy’ in Maldivian) and did not want to put him down. I went to Prison Island to see Kalo before his move and to learn about how the local police had cared for him. The conditions were not ideal, but they had done a wonderful job keeping this unique primate alive. We agreed to move Kalo on August 14th and it was going to be done in order to cause him the least amount of stress. From my brief visit with Kalo I wondered if “he” was a she, as it is not easy to tell with slow lorises.

Kalo settled in to his new, temporary home really well and his condition has improved as he is now able to climb around two large bedrooms, catch his own insects (locust are favourite), and get a more varied diet. And my initial suspicions were right, Kalo has been confirmed by DNA to be a girl! We sent a hair sample off to confirm what species of slow loris “she” was and we got two surprises – our male loris is indeed female and she is an undocumented species probably from Borneo. A faecal sample has now been sent to confirm that she is NOT a Bengal slow loris (even though she is looking more and more like a Bengal loris as her condition improves), as initially described, and we are waiting for these results as it could make a difference as to where the best home for her is permanently.

So welcome Kan’bulo (the feminine form of “Buddy” in Maldivian)! This is one extra special mysterious, elusive, nocturnal primate that has travelled the world, been the flagship case for CITES prosecutions in the Maldives, and kept her identity a mystery.

By Alison Cronin

Kan’bulo had lost condition, but had a good appetite and looks best

Kan’bulo has blossomed at Monkey World

Kan’bulo had lost condition, but had a good appetite and looks best

Kan’bulo travelled well. He was kept in a small bird cage

Kan’bulo travelled well

Kan’bulo has been confirmed as a girl

Kan’bulo travelled well
In April this year Monkey World was contacted by Animals Lebanon to ask if we could assist with an adult male chimpanzee that had been confiscated from a local zoo. His name is Charlie and, like so many of our chimpanzees, his story is a sad one. He was smuggled from the wild into Lebanon, where he was kept in a zoo along with two other chimpanzees. In 2006 Animals Lebanon, who assisted Monkey World when arrangements were made to move Kiki, tried to get the three illegal chimps confiscated but two disappeared before they could be removed, leaving young Charlie left on his own. It wasn’t until this year that a judge finally issued a confiscation order for Charlie. Animals Lebanon seized the now 9-year-old chimp, but had to keep him safe until the final arrangements were made to move him to a sanctuary in Brazil. They asked if Monkey World could send someone to care for Charlie until he was ready to be transported to his new home.

Charlie was kept in a purpose built enclosure in the garden of a holiday home in the mountains outside of Beirut. My time with Charlie involved taking care of his daily needs, such as cleaning and feeding, but I was also his main source of company. I spent a lot of my day planning and making new feeding activities to keep him busy, grooming, and running around playing chase! Charlie has an incredibly playful, gentle and loving personality - spending time with him was a pleasure. Human companionship was very important to Charlie, especially as he had spent most of his life living alone in a small cage. It was also obvious to anyone who saw Charlie that he had a problem with his legs that had seriously atrophied. This could be as a result of how he was captured from the wild. If he had been hit by a bullet or gunshot, if he took a bad fall from a tree, or was injured while he was smuggled out of Africa. The condition may have worsened or even been caused by being kept in a tiny cage with no natural sunlight for several months when he first arrived at the zoo. Despite the crippling condition of his legs, Charlie is a relatively healthy chimp and generally moves around by swinging himself forward on his knuckles.

As well as trying to make each day fun and interesting for Charlie, I was also able to introduce him to some operant conditioning or clicker training. He was a very willing student and I was able to quickly teach him several behaviours designed to make any future medical treatment he may need much easier. Eventually all the paperwork was in order and the time came for Charlie to move from Lebanon to his new home in Brazil. Loading him into his travel crate went smoothly and I accompanied him, along with the Animals Lebanon team, to the airport. He remained very calm and inquisitive throughout the entire journey! Soon enough it was time to say goodbye as Charlie was taken into the cargo area to be loaded onto the plane. It was a pleasure to be able to assist Animals Lebanon and to make a new friend in Charlie. We all hope that he will have a more natural life with other chimpanzees in Brazil.
A massive thank you to all of our supporters who have donated items to the park via our Amazon Wish List. We have been overwhelmed by the response! The wish list is a fantastic and unusual list of everyday items that we use here at the park. Supporters can go online and purchase an item from the wish list and it will be delivered straight to the park, generally without any postage costs. It puts the supporter in control - you can spend a little or you can spend a lot. We appreciate every single item donated, from the kitchen sponges that Jeremy wants right up to the very generous donation of a new polytunnel, so that we can grow more of our own produce to feed the primates. Check out our Amazon Wish List here and pick a present for the park: www.amazon.co.uk/gp/registry/wishlist/ref=nav_wish_list

More photos available at www.jimcroninmemorialfund.org/Pages/PastEvents.html

Charity No. 1126939
To celebrate chimpanzee Thelma’s first birthday, we are holding an extra special prize draw in her honour to raise funds for the Jim Cronin Memorial Fund!

This gorgeous original 1 of 1 watercolour painting by Kaye Parmenter is the star prize! Tickets are priced at £5 each and are available to buy by calling 01929 401018.

Entries close on Sunday 7 December and the winner will be drawn at random on Monday 8th December 2014.

www.kayeparmenter.co.uk
Small Society Lottery - Registration Number LL06/1735.
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 a registered charity but we have established the Jim Cronin Memorial Fund for Primate Conservation and Welfare, UK Registered Charity, No. 1126939 and the Endangered Asian Species Trust, 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.

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Food Items
- Melons
- Pomegranates
- Blueberries
- Cranberries
- Pineapples
- Mangoes
- Nuts (in Shell)

Supplements/Other
- Garlic
- Ginger
- Red or Black Fire Hose
- Baby Oil

Equipment
- Small/Medium Baskets
- Blankets & Towels
- Bedding
- Thick Ropes
- Red or Black Fire Hose

Donations wanteds:
- Must be physically fit, and capable of covering 10+ miles over rough terrain.
- Must like camping in the cold, and be brave enough to say "yes" without knowing any of the full details... if you are interested... email: fundraising@jimcroninmemorialfund.org

We have an Amazon Wish List (see page 14) that has all kinds of different goods and items that we need on a daily basis for our monkeys and apes. 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 Chronicles three times per year. Establish a legacy for the long-term welfare of the primates and be remembered in the park.

Primate Shopping List

For more details tel: 01929 462739

WIFI. Close to 2 pubs for meals.

For details of the Fundraising Ideas page 14.

We have been keeping busy over the summer and autumn months and the good weather has been a pleasure for our monkeys and apes, but also it keeps us occupied because we have to keep the enclosures grassed and tidy and the baby monkeys and apes need their attention.

Support for our Amazon Wish List and Shoe Box Appeal has been wonderful! Items such as heavy duty dog toys, footbells and rugby balls, soft play area balls, tub togs, dog biscuits, cereal, cous cous, pasta, rice, dried fruit, nuts, seeds, honey, peanut butter, un-popped popcorn, fruit, vegetables, vitamins, sheets, duvet covers, pillow cases, blankets, towels, socks, un-used stamps, and hand-made cards to sell in our shop have been sent in for our primates. And I say “primates” as not only the monkeys and apes appreciate your generous donations, but our Primate Care Staff are over the moon getting all of the extra items that are not part of our usual shopping list. In particular, thank you for the Pure Baby Rice as we use a lot of it with our smaller monkeys and it is very expensive. We have received direct orders from supermarkets, and many of you have come up with wonderful and creative ideas for fundraising, such as collecting donations in lieu of birthday, wedding, anniversary presents or flowers, bake sales, and sales of loom bands, jewellery and books. THANK YOU SO MUCH! Everything is put to good use and is appreciated by the monkeys and apes.

In particular we would like to thank the Embasy Primary School for their fundraising efforts, Healthspan vitamins for continued donations, Verwood Pet Shop, individuals who have given donations for the use of our mobility scooters, Holland & Barrett for donating vitamins, an anonymous donor of wood wool bedding, Hamworthy Army Camp for donating rope, Fire Protection Recycling and Sean Michael of Leeds & Bradford International Airport Fire Service for donating fire hoses, Panic Transport, Pall-Ex Transport, Linkline Express, and Shears Brothers Transport all helped in getting these large and heavy donations to the park. Gill O’Dell, Richard Holt and Dorothy Collins helped organise the transport of the fire hoses, which was no easy task! And thanks to all of you who have sent in good photos of our rescued primates for us to use, especially Richard Holt who continues to take wonderful photos of all the monkeys and apes for us.

Many friends and supporters have lost loved ones over the past few months. Our thoughts are with the families of Richard Holt, Dorothy Collins, Gill O’Dell, Richard Holt and Dorothy Collins, Lynda Hazelden, Babs Maresch, Susan Matthews, Wendy Clarke, Judy Steele, Elizabeth Jones, Linda Barnard, Rhiannon Hooper, Elizabeth Crowe, D Brown, Joan Hooper, James Baker, Sheila Towse, Boris Henderson, and Kathleen Cook. They will all be greatly missed.

For all of you that are passionate about primates we hope you will enjoy our new gift catalogue full of monkey memorabilia and ape accessories. As winter approaches, be sure to watch out for a programme on BBC called Animals in Love. Our very own siamang gibbons, Sam & Sasaki, are the focus of a programme about relationships and emotions – stars of the show!