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# FOND FAREWELL TO BOYSE

# FREDDY'S - PAGE

By Jenny Stringer

Unfortunately the capuchin team had to say goodbye to another capuchin recently as one of our elder males, Boyce, passed away. Over the past year Boyce had been gradually getting thinner and weaker. He was at least 30 years old but it is impossible to know for sure as he was wild caught from Argentina. Boyce arrived at the laboratory in Santiago, Chile in April 1989 where he was estimated to be three years old and remained there until Monkey world rescued him along with the other 87 capuchins in January 2008.



## Boyce finds his feet in the trees

Not surprisingly, nineteen years in a small laboratory cage had a bad effect on Boyce. This was true for all the 88 capuchins, but it was especially obvious for those who were originally captured from the wild and had lived the longest time at the lab. Many of the capuchins from the lab have stereotypic abnormal behaviours such as pacing, head flicking, and turning in circles and Boyce was no exception.



## Boyce, Fabion, Archie and Ringo playing

Emily and Elisa. The Primate Care Staff will miss him a lot as he always gave us a cheerful greeting, but we still have his 6 lovely daughters to remember him by, and they all share his boisterous personality and his love of flirting and food!

Throughout the years at Monkey World these abnormal behaviours have decreased as Boyce and the others interacted more with each other and made the most of their new more natural environment. Boyce had a real playful and boisterous personality which made him a popular playmate but also got him in trouble from time to time with the females. Boyce was one of the first boys to explore the forest enclosure and while it was wonderful to see the wild caught monkeys head straight up into the trees, it was also a sad reminder that they had NEVER forgotten how much they loved being outside and exploring the forest at a great height. Indeed at the end of that first day outside in the forest, Boyce was the last monkey found tucked up in the crook of a tree up high!

Boyce will be greatly missed by all of us and by the others in his group. He was particularly close to Phoenix and in his last days he loved nothing more than spending time grooming with her in the sunshine. There are still 29 of the original wild caught capuchin monkeys, living more natural lives, in the 4 different groups at the park. Boyce and the others remind us every day that regardless of their age or backgrounds these monkeys need and want companionship of their own kind and natural environments to explore and live their lives.

Boyce, along with a lot of our other elder wild caught males, were used mainly for breeding purposes in the lab. As a result, Boyce was father to Ginger, Veronica, Maddie, Elvira,

## The four leaders of our capuchin groups have big jobs on their hands!



Erico



Winslow



Tau



Sonny







By Marina Kenyon

## Twelve Rescued Pygmy Loris Fit for Release-Ready, Steady, Go!

Our rescued pygmy loris range in age from, an estimated, two to five years old. Some were recently taken from the forest (Luca, Dan, Tine and Duy) some suffered injuries during hunting that required recovery time, while others have spent months or years in captivity (Nguyen, Rebecca, Robyn, Han, Viet, Nikki, Hope, and Max). For these individuals, their release will be more challenging. Robyn, Han, Viet, Nikki, Hope, and Max). For these individuals, their release will be more challenging.



Pygmy loris are night warriors. They can travel several kilometres per night as they look for other lorises following smells and calls, or simply looking for a tasty insects, or a lick of nectar. They are a significant part of the forest ecosystem and have been reported to help pollinate over 100 species of plant! In captivity these amazing small nocturnal primates

often fall apart. Obesity, diabetes and other physiological changes occur when they are not working for a natural diet of insects, tree sap, and fruit. When they are confined in small cages they often develop stereotypic behaviours such as over licking, head spinning, and pulling

out hair, and some urinate and lick themselves for comfort or reassurance until they develop skin diseases. In our experience when chronic stress behaviours begin they do not stop. Some individuals like Hope, who have been in the cage for several years, display stereotypic behaviours - for several hours a night she head spins. Since we rescued her in March, this behaviour has significantly reduced and we "Hope" that her final release will stop this stereotypic behaviour. For individuals like Hope, the post-release tracking team are crucial to find out how our rescued and released lorises are doing.

Others loris have physical scars. One feisty female "Tine" had a nasty scratch on her retina and damage to several fingers that were a result of her capture from the wild. Treatment was not straight forward so we did not add extra stress to an already stressed animal, while we administer eye drops. Throughout her treatment "Tine" remained wild in her behaviour and proved difficult to observe - a trait we hope that will help her avoid predators.

## Cat Tien National Park Slow Loris Workshop 1st & 2nd August 2015

International and Vietnamese primate experts, Heads of Forestry Protection, awareness networks, and zoological collections joined EAST to discuss all we know about lorises in Vietnam and other SE Asian countries. What was clear is that there is still a lot to learn about these elusive nocturnal primates but that there are many people and organisation that are dedicated to working together in order to conserve these elusive primates. Thank you to all who helped organise and importantly all delegates who participated.



Finally, the other problem is that loris can become too familiar with people. Mad "Max" is too comfortable near humans and is the first to come and see what is going on. He is a young, healthy curious male, very alert, and has proved a

hit with all the pygmy loris ladies in neighbouring cages. Post-release monitoring will tell us which individuals are good to go back to their natural forest homes and which lorises have physical or mental issues that require further rehabilitation.



# BULU-MATA & RIEKE

By Kate Diver

Our two baby Sumatran orang-utans have enjoyed a lot of new experiences over the last few months and continue to grow and develop well. They are both confident with great personality and character.

Bulu had his first birthday on September 4th and now weighs just over 7kg while Rieke is 8 months old and weighs 5.5 kg.

Even though she is still very young, Rieke has proved to be very independent while Bulu can be particularly clingy especially when he is teething. Bulu now has 12 teeth and Rieke has 8. Both babies suffered with a cold in early summer that caused a few restless nights as they were a little congested. This also coincides with their teeth coming through so Bulu in particular was feeling very sorry for himself for a few days. Both babies have their last feed at around 8pm, they sleep through the night, and generally wake between 7 and 8am.



Rieke takes a short nap on most days but Bulu very rarely sleeps in the day and is extremely active throughout. In June the babies were given a specially prepared playroom along side of the others in the orang-utan nursery. This playroom was prepared with lots of rope toys, cargo netting, and hosing to develop their muscle strength, agility, and prepare them for the orang-utan nursery's main play area in future. More recently the dog toys and smaller black hosing have been replaced with flat red fire hose and we have begun to take them into the big playroom most mornings so they feel comfortable and happy in the large playroom prior to meeting any of the other nursery orang-utans.



Rieke and Bulu's Playroom



Baby Rieke is strong



Four months ago Rieke was feeding between 80 and 90ml per feed 6 times a day. Due to her reflux it was necessary to slowly increase the volume of milk per feed to prevent milk from coming back up. As she has matured she is able to take more milk at each feed and is now taking 160ml per feed quite happily. She has bottles 4 times per day now with a total volume of around 650ml plus additional solid feeds. Rieke has a very healthy appetite and will try anything offered to her. For human babies with reflux it is advised to introduce solid food slightly earlier than weaning age. The theory behind this is that the solids compared with milk sit heavier in the stomach. In Rieke's case we began offering her baby rice and mashed banana at just over 3 months old. To date both babies have been given carrot, fine beans, broccoli, melon, red pepper, strawberries, apricot, avocado, pear, apple, parsnip, cucumber, mango, lettuce and kiwi.



In addition to beginning some introductions with the older orang-utans, we plan to move the babies to into the orang-utan nursery full time as they no longer need feeding through the night. This will be a very significant step for both Bulu Mata and Rieke as they will start spending more time with the other orang-utans than they do with people. This is what the orang-utan nursery at Monkey World is all about – giving these beautiful and endangered orphan apes families of their own kind.



Bulu gets milk 3 times per day and takes a total of 450ml most days. He loves solid food and eats a wide range of fruit

and vegetables. His favourite food items include banana, grapes, sweet potato, plum, papaya and surprisingly celery.



# UK PET TRADE UPDATE



Georgia

## Georgia follows Tya around

By Karen Swan

Over the past 5 years Monkey World has rescued 50 monkeys from the British pet trade – most of them common marmosets. We have been taking in as many as possible but we only have a limited number of indoor and outdoor enclosures. For this reason we were unable to take any new arrivals for the whole of 2014 but we started a waiting list of concerned and upset owners who realised that their monkeys needed companionship of their own kind, a more natural life, and professional care. Last winter we built a second new facility for victims of the British pet trade and it was finished and ready for new arrivals last April. Sadly it is now almost full. The 28th May was a busy day for the small monkey team with the arrival of four common marmosets, three males and one female. The three boys, Jock, Colin and Douglas, arrived from Scotland and had been living together as a trio at a Scottish wildlife rescue centre. Previously Jock was kept on his own in the pet trade whereas, Colin and Douglas were brothers living inside a house as pets until they started attacking the family. They settled into their new accommodation well, investigating and scent marking everything. They are between 2-3 years and Jock being the calmest and oldest seems to have taken over the role of father figure. At the beginning of June, Comet joined this trio and was welcomed immediately. This is the most playful group of marmosets in the park.



Jock



Douglas

Georgia arrived on the same day as our Scottish boys. At less than 300g she is our smallest marmoset but she is extremely feisty. The day after she arrived we introduced her to Tya. It was obvious that Georgia was desperate for companionship of her own kind but Tya was aloof so it took a while for them to get close. Day by day Georgia



Colin



The girls had been living happily together for two months when another new arrival joined them. He is called Maximilian and arrived in July. He had been kept as a pet but when his owners moved house they no longer had enough room for him. Initially Georgia seemed a little jealous of Maximilian because Tya fell in love straight away but now she has realised how much fun he is and they love nothing more than playing together in their hammock



Brother and sister common marmosets, Tom and Jerry, came to the park on 25th June. They are the older siblings of brothers Ronnie and Reggie who arrived at the park last February from the pet trade. Tom was underweight and had very greasy hair, which is an indication of poor condition. Jerry weight was ok but she also had greasy hair. Tom was given a full health check and while there was nothing overtly wrong with him a faecal sample was positive for campylobacter. The pair were treated with antibiotics and are now doing really well. Both have gained weight and their overall condition has improved. They love being outside in their natural overgrown enclosure. Our most recent arrival is a young male called Loki who is just 10 months old. He was hand reared after being rejected by his parents.



Jerry & Tom



As is quite common with pet marmosets he is very human focused and was wary when we started introductions with another marmoset. As he is young we wanted to give him a young, fun



group so we decided on Jocks group. Loki has met everyone in the group now, is becoming more relaxed in their company, and has even started to play! Occasionally he comes over to the mesh for reassurance from Primate Care Staff but we are hoping that it won't be long before he gets all the reassurance he needs from his new marmoset family.





# YARIMA & CARLOS



## MONKEY LIFE



By Susan Tunstall

**The wait is almost over - Monkey Life Series 8 will be shown on Pick in November!**

This series is the most action packed yet and we can't wait for you to see the 20 new episodes.

website and social media pages closer to the time. I hope that you will tune in and enjoy the new series!

Series highlights include the births of twin chimpanzees Thelma and Louise and the arrival of two very special baby orang-utans, Bulu Mata and Rieke. Monkey World rescues more primates from around the world including a slow loris from the Maldives and lonely stump-tail macaque from Germany. Back at the park we catch up with all your favourite characters in their daily lives. The transmission dates will be posted on the Monkey World

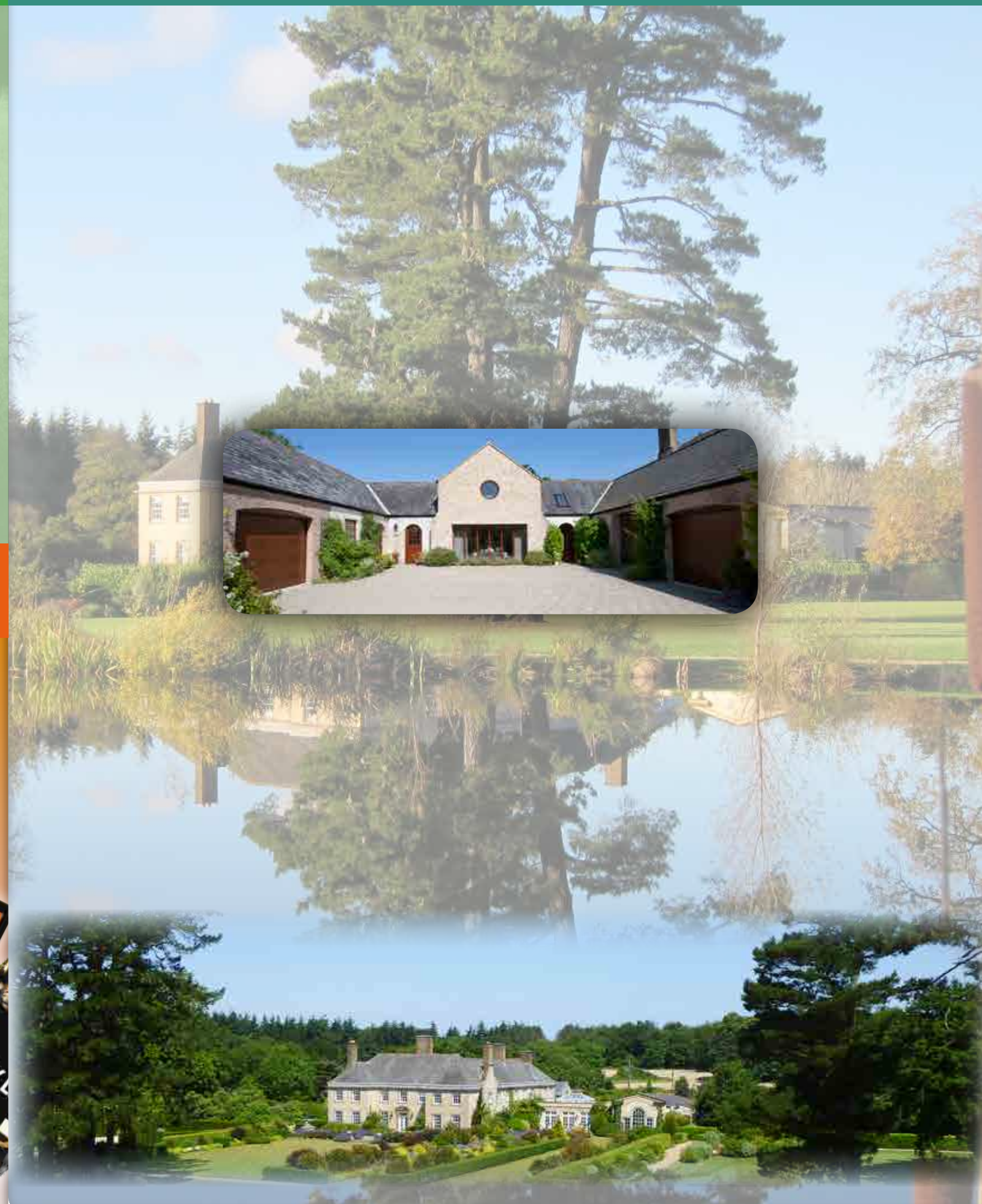
Monkey Life series 8 will be available on DVD from the 7th December; as the release date is close to Christmas we will endeavour to dispatch all pre-orders that week. To pre-order yours please call the Monkey World gift shop; 01929 401004 or drop some very big hints to family and friends! While we have been busy editing the new series we have also continued filming at the park - including woolly monkey babies Oriana, Carlos, and Lucas and we have accompanied

Alison on another marmoset rescue and a police raid.

For information or questions related to the Monkey Life TV series, please contact [info@primateplanet.tv](mailto:info@primateplanet.tv).



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# LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

Your summer/autumn newsletter has finally made it to you!! There have been delays in getting this edition out with changes in editorial staff and so many different monkeys arriving that we were always waiting to get the next "person" to the park before going to print. You will see from the cover that following the opening of the new small monkey complex for victims of the British pet trade, we set to following up on the long waiting list of private monkey owners that wanted their pet primate to come to the park in order to live a more natural life with others of their own kind. In just a few weeks the building was almost full. I am so happy to be able to offer these marmosets a more complete and natural

life but at the same time it is very sad that we need to be doing this in modern day Britain. We are pleased to have worked with the RSPCA in collaboration on this project and in particular we want to thank several private donors that have made this second building for pet trade monkeys possible. As winter approaches we wanted to thank everyone for your donations of unwanted bedding and linen which all primates, large and small, really appreciate. It is a big help with our bedding costs (wood wool bedding is now £19+ per bale!) and the chimpanzees in particular really love to use a combination of wood wool and sheets to create the most comfortable bed for the night. It is wonderful to watch

them making their beds – probably the only time when they are relatively quiet and peaceful! In particular we would like to thank the **Carey Outdoor Education Center** for a large blanket donation, **Healthspan** for various vitamins, **Verwood Pet Shop** for their continued support, and **Coffee Bean** for their Penny for a Primate scheme. Several people have asked for **donations to be given to the monkeys and apes in place of birthday or anniversary presents and Gift Aid** declarations are always as great help. Old and young alike have held **fund raising events, coffee mornings, craft stalls, and sold loom bands** to help rescue and care for more monkeys and apes. Thank you all so much!



Many friends and supporters have lost loved ones over the past few months. Personally, I was very sad to hear that **Dr Oliver Sacks** had passed away. It was only a few months ago that he came to Monkey World and it was an honour and privilege to have met him and spent some time discussing primate behaviour. Our thoughts are with the families and friends of They will all be greatly missed. It has been a pleasure to see so many people visiting the park over summer and coming to the Jim Cronin Memorial Fund events. Thank you for helping us to keep Jim's dream alive for so many monkeys and apes that need our help.

**Olive White, Carole Baggott, Stanley Brown, Maureen Albone, Stuart Docherty, Chris Hampson, Beverley Bartlett, Daniel Krumhorn, Mandy Wright, Maureen Chorley, Valerie Foster, Brenda Murphy, Kenneth Hopkinson, Hazel Overton, Annamaria Megyeri, Donald Watling, Diane Stead, Anne Bailey,**

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# HOW WE 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 **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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Mangos

We are continuing to rescue more monkeys and apes that will need our full care and attention for many years to come. Please help with their on-going care by joining our **Primate Adoption Scheme** for yourself, your family and friends. We also have an **On-line Shop** (<http://www.monkeyworld.org/Monkey-World-Online-Gift-Shop>) & **Gift Catalogue** full of monkey memorabilia and ape accessories for anyone who loves primates.



We have an **Amazon Wish List** 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 Chronicle three times per year. **Establish a legacy** for the long-term welfare of the primates and be remembered in the park.

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