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Dear Fan,

I hope you had a food Christmas. We all thoroughly enjoyed ourselves here at the Fan Club headquarters.

The fan club starter kit was sent off to you just before Christmas. Do you like it? Don't worry if you find that your membership card or fan club badge are missing as we had a bit of trouble with our friend Urko just before Christmas. He stole all our cards and badges from our local printers and as yet we haven't managed to retrieve them, but our number one P.O.A. spy assures us that they will be winging there way to you by the end of January.

Our friends have been appearing in several places during the last couple of months and are pretty exhausted but are going to carry on the good work.

They will be appearing at Selfridge in Oxford Street, London for the whole of 1976. There is also a new cartoon television series coming in January too - it will be shown on
ATV, London Weekend, Anglia, Yorkshire and Southern Television networks - don't miss it!

One of the highlights of December was when the apes appeared on Saturday scene road show. One of our staff was there to report.....

.....On Saturday December 20th The Wimbledon Theatre was invaded by 2,500 screaming pop fans. They were all there to see London Weekend Televisions Saturday Scene Road Show.

There were several well known groups appearing including Kenny, Hello, Stephenson's Rocket and The Wombles. But guess who also showed up?

Just before the first act appeared..... guns blazing, onto the stage charged Urko and his Gorilla warriors. The audience gasped and screamed. The show's presenter, Sally James, ducked as Urko made a grab for her, but after a few moments the Apes ran off the stage and the show started properly.

We were in the wings and as Urko came off stage he said to us, "Those guns sound really loud on that stage" and he hopped off banging his ears trying to hear better.

Later on, Galen appeared. He ran onto the stage and was chased around the audience by Dr. Zaius, Urko and friends. Of course he escaped them, but only by hiding in the upper circle.

The producer of the show, Warren Breach, asked Urko and his gorillas to escort some competition prizewinners onto the stage, but instead Urko shouted to the gorillas to grab the youngsters and take them captive. As they crossed the stage with their prisoners the gorillas were unaware that trouble was close at hand.....

Over the tumultuous noise of screams and boo's came the familiar sound of "The Wombling Song" and then suddenly there was Galen leading the Wombles to rescue the prizewinners. Urko grabbed Galen from behind, Galen stamped on Urko's foot with all his might, and broke free. Uncle Bulgaria delivered a beautiful upper cut to Dr. Zaius and the two old men battled away until exhausted. It wasn't too long before Galen and the Wombles successfully beat off Urko, and the prizewinners were delivered safely to Sally James to receive their prizes. Good old Galen saved the day again, and you know, the Wombles are really quite good at wrestling.

We hope to bring you a report of another appearance in the next newsletter but if you do happen to catch a glimpse of Galen as he defeats Urko we would love to receive your own personal report, and if your report is printed you will receive a Galen badge. Don't forget to include the date and place of the appearance and of course - your name and address.

We are also running a painting/drawing competition. The only rules are:-

1. All entries must bear name/age/address.
Any entries received without this information will not be included in the judging.
2. Drawing need not be original but must not be traced.
3. Use as many colours as you wish, in any of the following materials.
 - a. paint
 - b. pencil/colour pencil
 - c. charcoal
 - d. felt tip pen
 - e. tissue paper
 - f. coloured sticky paper
 - g. pen and ink

and on any particular colour or size of paper you want to use. Please make sure your entry is well packaged as we wouldn't like your hard work to be damaged in the post. I am afraid we will be unable to return your entries to you unless you enclose the return postage.

The competition will be split into two sections one for under 9's
one for over 9's

The entry should adopt the theme "Planet of the Apes". The prize for each section will be a P.O.A. annual and the two winning pictures will be printed in the next newsletter (in black and white only – sorry). Please make sure your

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entries reach us by February 19th, 1976 at the latest.

We are also going to have a joke page in which the best ten Ape jokes sent in will be printed - so get thinking and send us your joke! Every one printed will receive a Planet of the Ape car sticker.


Well anyway, must go - I've got to help our spy find your membership cards and badges.

I hope you have fun joining the dots and find the mystery character.

Details of this months special offer are enclosed.

MARCH IS PETE BURKE MONTH!

Bye for now.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sally".

S.A. Skinner.
Fan Club Secretary.

P.S. If you have made a new years resolution and you think other fans might like to hear of it, write to me.