

Amazing May!

What an amazing month for Bunnyzine! We sold \$160 in advertising, all of which will be donated to a rabbit in need in June. I'll be adding an additional \$40 and absorbed all the PayPal fees so we will have \$200 to donate. Outisde of Bunnyzine, I've also raised \$150 to \$200 for Ohio House Rabbit Rescue from my Facebook fundraiser.

Also, we reached an INCREDIBLE 1571 downloads for May's issue. This is a great upward trend we are seeing and we thank you so very, very much for believing in our dream. \$200 may not seem like much, but to me, it's a symbol of the beginning of the cycle we have been building all along; the cycle of reader to advertiser to rescue where we

donate and bring that rabbit's tale back to the reader. It's a perfect circle and it starts here.

We are going to keep pushing to make Bunnyzine better, our readership growing, our advertising sales rishing, and our donations bigger.

We are finally at that next level we have been striving for and we plan on expanding more from here. This is all because of you. You are why this is possible You have my greatest thanks Last month's downloads:

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Binkies and Flops

-Dustin

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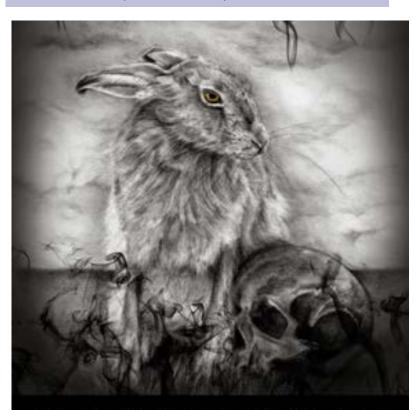
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Everyone who submitted to our Blissful Life pictorials.

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Casey and Sir Hopsalot



A few weeks ago, I caught a posting of Casey with Sir Hopsalot and I watched the comments get a little wild and a little steamy. It's no secret, this guy is handsome AF and we had to have him on the cover of a Bunnyzine issue. I reached out to him and, thankfully, he has agreed to an interview so we are ecstatic to bring you our June Issue feature: Sir Hopsalot and Casey. (warning: whether computer or mobile, please hold your device far enough to be out of drooling range).

Bunnyzine: Can you tell us about how you met Sir Hopsalot and how it came to be that your bunny found their furever home?

Casey: It was a little bittersweet because my bunny had just died and I was trying to cope by playing with bunnies at a local pet store. One of those bunnies was incredibly affectionate with me as soon as I picked him up, the little guy started grooming my face

and wouldn't stop. It really struck a chord in my heart and that bunny came home with me that same day. I think he could feel how sad I was and did his best to help.

Bunnyzine: Can you tell us what you know about Sir Hopsalot's life before meeting you?

Casey: Not a terrible amount, he was about 6 weeks old when he decided I belonged to him.

Bunnyzine: Now for the big question that I'm certain has come up 1000 times, what have things been like having the contrast in traditionally-masculine interests like cars and working out and also taking interest in traditionally-less-masculine like bunnies?

Casey: it's about balance. I work all day (and sometimes nights) on large dangerous













equipment. There is so much chaos between air tools, truck engines, fire, and the high physical demand; it's the best thing to come home to something small and quiet. Just a chance be still, and breathe, really matters in high intensity jobs and even in everyday life.

Bunnyzine: Have bunnies always been an interest or was this something that came along later?

Casey: My life has been a literal zoo. I have had everything from gold fish to 10 lb tegu lizards. Having a rabbit has been the the most fufiling of all my animal experiences

Bunnyzine: Several times, I've seen you post a picture of you and Sir Hopsalot in a few groups. Each time you post, you get a plethora of flattering comments. So, this question is for the women: Are you single?

Casey: I am definitely not single, haha. I'm in a long term relationship with my lovely girlfriend Kirstie. There is some competition between us for Hopsalot's love and affection. (She calls him her son even though he's my bun boi).

Bunnyzine: While I can't speak on behalf of all women, I have seen ample evidence that a lot of women prefer a man who looks like you and also loves bunnies...so I have to ask, what has this been like from your side. Are you getting overwhelmed with attention? Care to share any relating stories?

Casey: It doesn't phase me, really, my inbox is quiet and I'm happy with that. What I enjoy most about the the whole thing is how happy it makes people. All the comments are positive and nobody is being put down. Just a really happy atmosphere.

Bunnyzine: What is one of your favourite moments about Sir Hopsalot?

Casey: The day I brought him home, my jeep randomly snapped a ring gear and he had to ride the whole way home with Kirstie and I in the front seat of a tow truck, haha.

Bunnyzine: How calm is Sir Hopsalot bunny when you place him on your shoulder or back? Is there worry he might get nervous and hop off?





Casey: He's extremely chill and we have an understanding that if he plays parrot, there are apple slices waiting.

Bunnyzine: How close is Sir Hopsalot bunny to you? (ie: Does he show affection? Does he sit with you?)

Casey: He likes to play hard to get, like he will run away if I actively try to pet him but if I'm sitting and ignoring him he will harass me and run all over my body

Bunnyzine: What are Sir Hopsalot favourite things? (ie: activities, food)

Casey: He's a creep. His favorite activity is sitting in his window and glaring at dogs or cyclists in the street.

Bunnyzine: Is there anything about Sir Hopsalot or yourself that we haven't covered that you'd like Bunnyzine readers to know?

Casey: He sends his regards and thanks you all for such a positive response.

Bunnyzine: Thank you so much Casey for letting us feature Sir Hopsalot and yourself for our June issue of Bunnyzine. We absolutely love your pictures and I'm hoping you will share more with us in the future.

See more of Casey and Sir Hopsalot on Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/studio1031/

Rabbitude: A memoir by Romeo, Author and Diva Available in paperback



Rabbitude

Tanja D. Stich

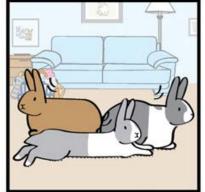
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The poetry of Kansas

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They took me 'fore the Judge I didn't need no bail The Judge he scratched my ears Said: "Put those cops in jail!" I dinnae hath nay hay Nay hath I Dinnae! Dinnae!

Stoatin' 'cross yonder floor Chewed on yither 'lectric cord!

I dinnae hath nay hay Nay hay hath I Dinnae! Dinnae!



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Meet Chewie, The Bunny Car

by Sue O'Reilly

The Littlest Rescue is a small Rabbit and Guinea pig rescue in Bristol, with over one hundred rabbit and around 50 guinea pigs in its their care it is no wonder the vets bills are thousands of pounds each month! However, over the last two years we have had some very special help raising funds to help pay the bills and support the local community.

Meet Chewy the bunny car, he can usually be seen around Bristol attending fundraising events at fayres, fates and fun days as well as transporting our education bunny to old people's homes where she meets the elderly residents and to schools. He brings a smile to everyone who sees him driving around and people love to wave as he zooms past them.



However, with a summer of events booked for Chewy to attend disaster! He failed his MOT (an annual British Vehicle inspection) meaning his fundraising days would be over. The total cost to get him back on the road was anything from £500 to a £1000, money TLR simply could not afford because all the money we raise is for the animals and their care.

Then came the idea to see if there were



people out there who would help us to save Chewy, and a GoFundMe page was set up with a goal of a Thousand pounds. We knew it was a long short, because who would help save a car? But within moments of going live the appeal took off, in total the appeal was shared almost 500 times, with local business pages, radio stations and Chewy's fans all giving him a helping hand.

Within the first 24 hours almost four hundred pounds had been donated and the BBC had contacted the rescue to cover the story! Donations came flooding in from all over the world, one anonymous donor saw how near we were to the total and donated the final 350 need to save Chewy. Everyone at the rescue is overwhelmed by how the public, both locally in Bristol and all over the world stepped up







chance of him passing his MOT next year are greatly improved. We are so happy Chewy is back on the road, raising money, but most of all bringing joy to everyone he drives past. We want to thank everyone who helped save Chewy so much, and allow him to continue to his charity work.

to save this much loved member of our rescue family.

However the story does not end there.....

Having seen the efforts that were made to save Chewy, the garage, BM Motoring centre, realised how important he is and offered another act of kindness. They offered to complete the work needed for the cost of the parts, donating their time for free. This is amazing news, as the advisory work can now also be completed and the



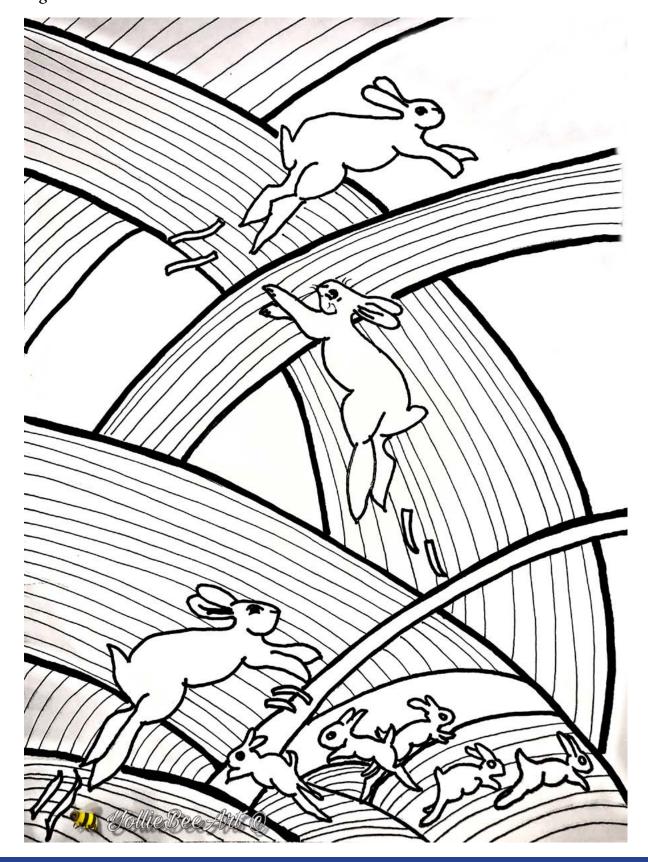
You can learn more about The Littlest Rescue here: https://www.facebook.com/TheLittlestRescue/

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Bunnyzine Colouring Art By Yollie



Here is this month's submission. Feel free to colour it and submit it to us for our next edition.

Rabbit puzzle and game reviews

by Lynne Burger

Bunnyzine welcomes Lynne Burger, from Cape Town, South Africa. We love her reviews on these Android apps and we hope you will too.

Bunny pop

By: BitMango

Type of app: Bubble pop

App size, excl. progress data: 130MB

Choose a colour bubble to pop to Daily gift:

receive the daily gift - coins or boosters.

Game play: Aim is to free bunnies. I'm at level 249 and have almost given up because most of the levels are now too hard. Extra moves can be bought with coins earned at increasing intervals.

Ads: Banner ad across the bottom of the screen. Can be played offline: Yes. Slow response time

while online.

Recommend: Yes, for the first 200 or so levels. 3*







Schnuffel

By: Freenet digital GmbH Type of app: Virtual pet

App size, excl. progress data: 40MB

Daily gift: No

Game play: Feed, bath and play with Schnuffel bunny. Put him to bed when he is tired. Make Schnuffel happy by playing games. Coins are earned by playing mini games, which can be spent on food or decorative items, "Furnishings".

Ads: Invasive, appears before the minigame is properly over.

Can be played offline: Yes, recommended.

Slow response time while online.

Yes, 4* Recommend:

Puzzle bunnies

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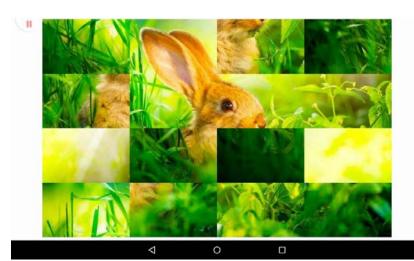
Type of app: Puzzle

App size, excl. progress data: 30MB

Daily gift: No.

Game play: 3x3 to 8x8 piece puzzles. Drag and drop the pieces into the correct place. No preview. Unfortunately, many of the pictures are "Easter" pictures with bunnies and Easter eggs or children. There are also some cute, more natural photos of rabbits.

Ads: Ad between puzzles. Can be played offline: Recommend: Yes, 4*



Mahjong blossom solitaire

By: pm4

Type of app: Mah-jong solitaire App size, excl. progress data: 50MB

Daily gift: A booster or coins, can be doubled if connected to the internet.

Game play: Four tile options, one of which reminds me of Mr MacGregors garden from Peter Rabbit, and is why I have included this app in the reviews. The garden set includes a rabbit tile, tools required for gardening, produce and letters of the alphabet.

Play with Brightness on to identify available tiles. Flowers (instead of stars) are earned for no hints, time, and completion of the level. Tap matching tiles to remove them from the board. The aim is to clear the board. Reshuffle is prompted or set to automatically shuffle when there are no more available matches.

Ads: Unobtrusive block at the bottom of the results screen.

Can be played offline: Yes

Recommend: Yes. This is my favourite mah-

jong app out of three I've downloaded. 4*



Bunny blast

By: Superbox.inc

Type of app: Match 3

App size, excl. progress data: 170MB

Daily gift: A booster or coins, can be doubled by watching a video advert if connected to the internet.

Game play: Select groups of 3 or more blocks to collect the stated objects, not only bunnies. Some boosters must be selected before starting the level, others can be selected as needed. Selecting large groups of blocks generates boosters. Extra moves can be bought for coins. Stars are earned for completed levels. 30 stars = coin or booster prize. There is a shortcut button on level menu to start the next level.

Ads: Between levels and to earn extra boosters. Can be played offline: Yes. Extra boosters are only available while online.

Recommend: Yes, 4*



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Rabbit puzzles

Previously reviewed in BZ.

By: Made with Unity by PuzzleGamePlay.

Type of app: Jigsaw puzzle
App size, excl. progress data: 95MB

Daily gift: No.

Game play: Choose puzzle size from 30, 80, 108, 154 or 192 pieces. The pieces appear in a movable column at the side. Drag a piece and drop it where you think it goes. Pieces correctly

joined, flash. Puzzles pieces cannot be removed from the board, but can be repositioned. Preview, then work from memory. Pieces that go together usually appear close to each other.

The list of puzzles always begins at the beginning with no indication of which puzzles have been completed.

Ads: Banner ad at side of screen.

Can be played offline: Yes Recommend: Yes, 4*



Rabbit wallpaper HD

By: HD Wallpaper Store
Type of app: Wallpaper

App size, excl. progress data: 35MB

Daily gift: No.

Game play: N/A. Click on the three dots at the top of the screen, then Set as Contact photo, Lock screen photo or Wallpaper. Easy to use.

Ads: Don't remember seeing any.

Can be played offline: N/A

Recommend: Yes. Nice photos of cute bunnies if you don't have your own to use. 4*

No photo.

Rabbits colouring book

By: Piu Piu Apps

Type of app: Colouring in

App size, excl. progress data: 25MB

Daily gift: No.

Game play: Play button is an innovative carrot. Images range from very simple to more complex, and all bunnies are cute.

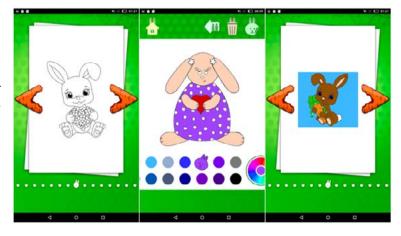
Select a colour from the pre-selected pallet or from a colour wheel. I find it difficult to select the exact colour I want from the colour wheel. Zoomable.

Ads: After completing a picture.

Can be played offline: Yes

Recommend: Yes. Suitable for young

children to adults. 4*



Unblock Bunny and friends Bv: Made with Unity

Type of app: Sliding puzzle App size, excl. progress data: 95MB

Daily gift: No.

Game play: C h o o s e Mastermind or Dynamic mode. Dynamic mode allows some pieces to be rotated. Slide the puzzle pieces around to create a path for the animal to follow to get to its food. Collect stars by using pieces containing stars.

There are more friends than bunnies. Out of +-70 levels attempted so far. I think there were less than 10 bunnies.

Ads: Banner ad at top or bottom of screen and after some levels.

Can be played offline: Yes

If you weren't looking for rabbits. 4* Recommend: Home, Mastermind mode, Dynamic mode Photos:

My virtual rabbit By: Tapps games

Type of app: Virtual pet, aimed at children

App size, excl. progress data: 70MB

Daily gift: No.

Game play: Feed, bath and play with one of four rabbits. Switch off the light to let bunny sleep and recharge his energy (half way only). Additional rabbits can be bought with real money

or coins earned by playing mini games. The sweeping up rabbit droppings minigame is so realistic – droppings appear as fast as they are swept up reminds me of my first hop-anddrop bunny.

Ads: On selecting a rabbit to play with and between minigames.

Can be played offline: Yes, recommended.

Recommend: Yes. Verv basic and straight forward, but perfect for pre-schoolers who want a pet rabbit. 5*





Peter Rabbit puzzle

By: Brilliantwork Entertainment

Type of app: Puzzle

App size, excl. progress data: 110MB

Daily gift: No.

Game play: 12-piece puzzle versions of most of the artwork from Beatrix Potter's famous tales. Swap puzzle pieces by dragging and dropping a piece into the correct place. There is a mini brown-scale picture at the top as a guide.

Unfortunately, the "list" of puzzles always opens to the top, not the first new puzzle.

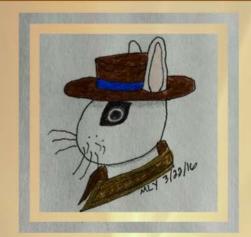
Ads: Ad when returning to the menu.

Can be played offline: Yes

Recommend: Yes. As a Beatrix Potter fan, I'm loving reconstructing the stories. Her paintings are

amazing. 5*





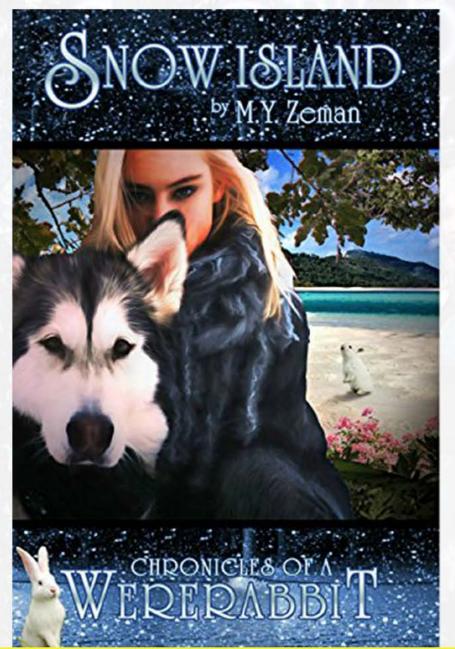
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Moo Creations and Sticker Thief Creator - Maja Ferguson

by Dustin Campbell

I'm very excited and happy to bring you the art of Maja Ferguson. I sincerely wish I had met her for the Artist's issue back in April but I had not met her until after the issue was published. It was during that time that I was introduced to her two websites, Sticker Thief (hand drawn planner stickers) and Mooflake Creations where she sells hats for bunnies and small bunny sculptures. I took one look at her sculptures and fell in love with them. Now, I bring Maja and her amazing work to you. Thank you Maja for letting us interview you on your work. The links to both your websites will be at the bottom of this interview article, along with any other links you provide us. Let's dive in, shall we?

Bunnyzine: Tell us a bit about what people can expect to find at both your websites?

Maja: Well Mooflake Creations is more of my hobby shop as there isn't a fixed timeline for new products to come out and I just let them happen organically. Sticker Thief I opened with the intention of it becoming a business so its a lot more structured, I have new releases every Friday and I am more present on social media with it. And as the name suggests Sticker Thief primarily focuses stickers for diary and planner lover all of which I sketch by hand and then draw up digitally. Where as at Mooflake

Creations there is a bit of everything going on there, hats for bunnies, drawings, paintings and polymer clays figurines.

Bunnyzine: How long have you been creating art in these different mediums (sculpting, drawing, creating custom hats)?

Maja: I have always been making, ever since I was little. My mum is a very creative person, so from a young age I wanted to join in. She still has a piece of "sewing" I did when I was 3. Granted it is about 4 or 5 scraps of fabric clumsily stitched together in a pile but it was the start of a long list of hobbies and crafty adventures. I was encouraged to try all different mediums and crafts my favourites were knitting, sewing, drawing and making tiny little things out of plasticine. I used to see how small I could make things; one of my favourite creations as a child was a little miniature farm that all packed away into a matchbox.

Bunnyzine: Do you have a favourite piece?

Maja: My favourite piece is probably the hat that started Mooflake Creations. It's a little Super Mario felt cap I made for my first rabbit Bun Bun. I adopted her while my partner was away on a work trip. He consented to our first pet on the proviso that I didn't dress it up.

So naturally within a few weeks of adopting her I cheekily sent him a picture of then in this hat I made. I shared it with my friends and family and quickly had a some orders for their bunnies and cats,

and Mooflake Creations was born. Even though BunBun isn't with us any more I still keep her wardrobe of bunny hats nice and safe. And my two ginger mini lops Sherlock and Watson seem happy enough being models for my shop as long as they are paid upfront in treats.

Photo: Bun Bun wearing Mario style hat

Bunnyzine: What has feedback from your customers been like?

Maja: The response from my customers has been overwhelmingly positive. My day is always made when I get tagged in picture of a bun posing in one of my hats or someone using my stickers in their planner. Its incredible seeing someone enjoy something that you dreamt up.

Bunnyzine: What are the most popular items people are loving?

Maja: The top seller at Mooflake Creations are my little bunny berets then followed by my nurse hats: D Which are a personal favourite of mine.







My best sellers are Sticker Thief are my blood pressure tracker stickers and my little bunny planner charms. These charms are were the line of Mooflake Creations and Sticker Thief blur as they were originally created to be wine glass markers but I thought they would look cuter on a diary, so I moved them to the other shop:D





Bunnyzine: How long have you been running these shops?

Maja:

Sticker Thief is only new and was opened on the 15th of February 2019 but Mooflake is coming up to its second birthday in August which I am so excited by I haven't decided how to celebrate yet.

Bunnyzine: Forgive me for saying, but for the custom work needed to create these pieces, your prices are quite on the low side. I can't see how you are making enough to compensate for materials and time. Are you making enough from the items to be satisfied with?

Maja: I have learnt a lot since I first opened Mooflake Creations in regard to my pricing.

I probably don't charge as much as others might for the same thing and as I get busier I may have to charge more for my time as I will have less of it to give freely but for now I am happy with my income from my shops as they grow.

Bunnyzine: Can clients come to you for custom requests?... like a sculpture of the BZ logo.... asking for a friend.

Maja: Absolutely I do a lot of custom work for both of my shops whether it's a painting, a small sculpture or even a sticker to look like your pet. I am always up for a challenge. How ever you may want to get in quick because my customs list for Sticker Thief is getting a bit long:D

Bunnyzine: Are your items available world-wide or are there some country restrictions?

Maja: I shipped all over the world from Australia and as don't use any raw organic materials I haven't had any issues getting my product into any country so far.

Bunnyzine: Is there anything you'd like readers to know that we haven't discussed?

Maja: Thank you so much for featuring me today I'd love to offer all your readers 15% all orders from Sticker Thief until the 1st of August all you'll need to do is use the code BUNNYZINE at check out. Hoppy Planning:D

Check out all of Maja's Mooflake Creations and Sticker Thief links:

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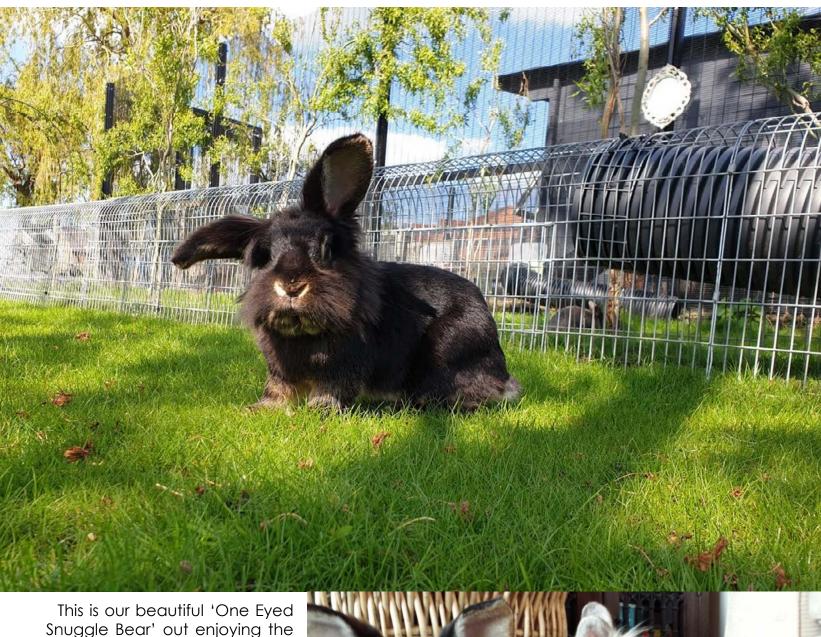
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One Eyed Snuggle Bear

by Emma Hartshorne, Wonderland Wabbits Rabbit Rescue and Sanctuary photos: Wonderland Wabbits



This is our beautiful 'One Eyed Snuggle Bear' out enjoying the Wonderland garden today. Seven years ago, I popped into a 'well known pet superstore' on a long drive home, purely to grab a bag of rabbit food. A store that I no longer visit unless absolutely necessary as I am so appalled at their ethics and the fact that they are still selling animals.

Whilst in the shop, I started talking to the 3 young members



they also had a rabbit in a cage 'out the back' that hadn't sold.

Under their breath, they told me their 'superiors' were going to have her put to sleep, as no one wanted her. They begged me to take her and told me I could have her for free if I took the other two buns in the pen as well. She was only 3 months old and such a friendly bunny.

At that moment, I felt sick. I already had 6 bunnies at home. I hadn't planned on anymore, but I could not leave her. I arrived home two



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hours later with a very worried Wayne thinking I'd had an accident. Imagine his surprise when I arrived with 3 new bunnies.

Snuggle Bear enjoyed life, her large stable was filled with deep straw and lots of toys, including several run through tubes made from natural materials. One day after feeding and playing with the bunnies, quite by chance, I returned to their stable half an hour after putting them to bed, only to find Snuggle Bear huddled up to her friend who was looking worried. I immediately knew something was wrong, then went cold as I saw Snuggle Bear had badly hurt her eye.

Turns out whilst playing, she had run into

the tube, but where the bunnies had been chewing, a sharp end was exposed and she had run into it. I was truly mortified and remember it being one of the most sickening experiences. She was rushed to the vets who gave her pain relief and removed her eye the following day.

I sobbed for weeks, but in time, she healed and the brave girl never let it set her back. Over the years, Snuggle Bear has developed horrendous arthritis in her spine and legs, her little paws are deformed, and she is on regular Meloxicam to keep her comfy, but her disabilities never stop her from enjoying life.

She can climb the Runaround tubes, jump over



things in her way and is also an avid sunbather. She loves nothing more than to flop out with her chin rested on the floor. She lives in a group of 10 bunnies and whilst she isn't high in the hierachy, she is good friends with everyone and

is very loved. (reprinted with permission from Closed Facebook group Wonderland Wabbits Rabbit Rescue and Sanctuary, published by Emma Hartshorne on May 13, 2019)

Emma Hartshorne is founder of Wonderland Wabbits, a private Rabbit Rescue and Sanctuary based in Warwickshire, UK. Emma started with 2 pet rabbits but quickly realised the shocking abuse that some of these animals are subjected to and by her 6th rabbit, she made it her mission to start rescuing as many as she could from various situations and she now has almost 50 rabbits at the sanctuary. In addition to her own rescue and sanctuary, she supports other rescues by adopting rabbits from time to time to help them to free up space to rescue and rehome more. Emma is a regular volunteer assisting with transporting and fostering of rescued animals. She also assists rabbit owners all over the world who need help and advice on all aspects of rabbit care. During the next 5 years she hopes to raise a massive £1million to help Rabbits and other animals around the world via a series of Fundraisers. One of the fundraisers involves riding her beloved horse 'Bugsy' approximately 1,400 miles from one end of the UK to the other next year. Emma is also currently writing a book that she hopes will be popular amongst the younger generation.

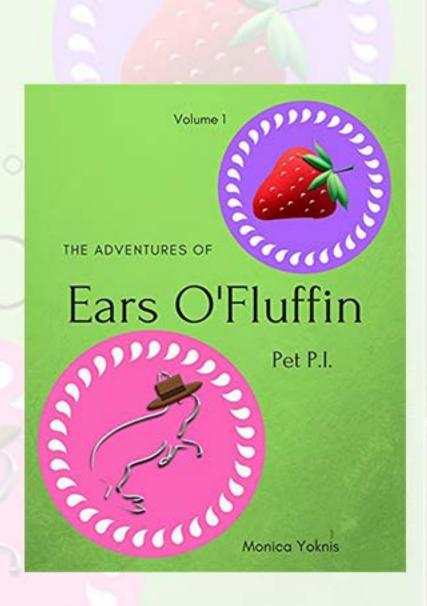
Emma describes her fiance 'Wayne' as her absolute rock, she laughs that he is a tolerant rock at that, as despite his frowns when she rescues more rabbits, he's a big softy underneath and understands that these animals need a place to call home. In fact, it was Wayne that came up with the name for the Sanctuary after Emma styled the rabbits accommodation and garden on Alice in Wonderland. Her inspiration for the setup came from 'The Secret Garden' and 'Alice in Wonderland' books that she read as a child. The Wonderland garden itself is about 1/6th of an acre, the large wooden cabin is surrounded by 9ft anti-climb fencing and is wired underground. It houses 6 groups of rabbits, there is a tower with three levels at the rear that houses another group. Each group has 24/7 access to their individual garden area within the security fence, this allows them freedom to come and go as they please in safety. During the day, the groups of rabbits take turns to enjoy free run in the Wonderland Garden playground. The structures in the garden include a 20 ton grass covered rabbit sculpted from clay earth with pipes running through it, a pretty treehouse, a wooden maze, a small hide called Fort Bunlop and tunnel mound, all of which were built by Emma, a keen 'hands on' builders daughter and property developer! Within the garden are several wire and tunnel systems supplied by 'Runaround' based in Cheshire who specialise in clever wire and pipe tunnel systems that mimic a rabbits natural warren environment. The addition of these systems means that several different groups can enjoy the garden without fighting. This year Emma has also built another new shed called 'The Hop Inn' which replaces the old series of hutches that once stood there. Later in the year, she also plans to build a 'Gingerbread house', a whimsical shed to provide sanctuary to older or disabled rabbits who have suffered extreme neglect, so that they can live the remainder of their days in safety and happiness. The garden is protected from predators with a series of bird of prey kites, scarecrows, music, reflectors, electric fence and alpaca and donkey guard animals in the adjacent paddock, as well as humans of course! All rabbits at Wonderland are neutered and vaccinated to prevent breeding and protect their health. Emma and Wayne's dearest rabbit (and surrogate daughter!) is a 4.5kg blue Vienna doe, aptly called Blue, or to quote her full name 'The Blue Boo Bagpushk' who lives in the house with them with three other blue viennas; Thorpaws, Thugbug and Thin Lizzy!

Emma recommends that all 'would be' rabbit owners read the entire website of the RWAF (Rabbit Welfare Association Fund) which will provide crucial information on all aspects of owning rabbits. This should be done BEFORE adopting a rabbit.

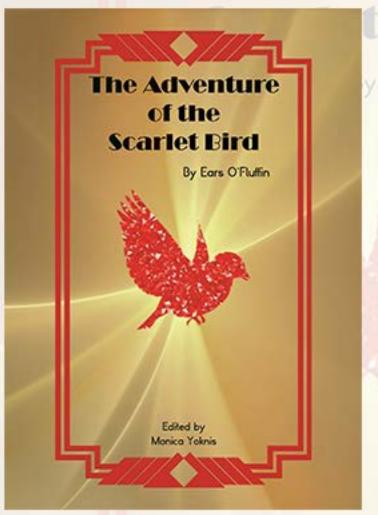
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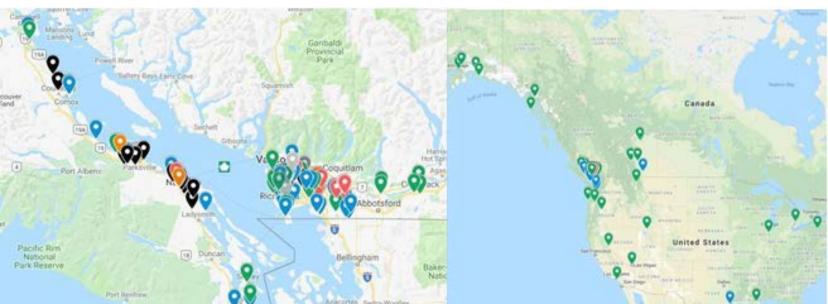
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A new mapping project launched by the BC-based Rabbitats Rescue Society at www. abandonedrabbits.com to flag abandoned pet rabbits, feral populations and RHD virus deaths, is showing fast-growing colonies of loose domestic rabbits not only in known hotbeds like BC and Nevada, but even in inhospitable climates like Alaska and Alberta.



The rabbits in just a few years have gone from dozens to hundreds to thousands to tens of thousands. Population explosions in the mid-2000s and mid-2010s have been especially prolific. Hot spots include Vancouver Island and Richmond, BC, Canmore, Edmonton and Calgary, Alberta, areas in Washington State, Oregon, California, Nevada, Arizona, Illinois, Utah and Florida, and Juneau, Sitka, Anchorage, Cordova and Valdez in Alaska.

Why now? House rabbits have been popularized over the last three decades and with urban popularity comes urban abandonment. The city rabbits have stuck close to humans keeping many predators at bay. While many of the pets don't survive after abandonment, the ones who do breed like... rabbits. And their feral offspring are proving to be much hardier than their parents. Here in British Columbia, tight rental housing markets and other stress factors are forcing guardians to give up their pets. But many municipal shelters won't take the rabbits and rabbit rescues are few and far between -- and full -- leaving people with few if any alternatives.





Who's Responsible? The rabbits are variously classified as pets, farm animals and wildlife, however instead of getting support from all three areas, they are systematically punted from one iurisdiction to another. While ultimately municipal animal control can stop the colonies from forming by taking in abandoned rabbits before they reproduce, municipal shelters are only designed for short term stays. While recently abandoned pets are adoptable, their offspring prefer not to be cuddly pets. It will be up to rabbit fans and rescuers to help the rabbits from there.



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Will They Be Killed? Governments and citizens may prefer to see them killed because they believe it will be the cheaper and easier alternative. Rabbit advocates must advance the argument that lethal solutions and neither cheap nor easy. The rabbits stick close to urban areas, they can't be shot. Poison will affect a large number of other species and taint the environment. Hire d trappers and pest control companies cost tens of thousands of dollars. Humane euthanization adhering to SPCA standards is another substantial per-rabbit cost. Lethal solutions will be met with resistance that will delay, if not derail, lethal plans while the rabbits continue to breed. Non-lethal solutions will be met with cooperation and public donations. There is no downside to diverting 'pest control' funds to a responsible rescue or sanctuary who, with the support of rabbit fans, can sterilize and contain the rabbits.



What Are The Solutions?

Sanctuaries: A lot of (sterilized) rabbits can live happily in colonies taking up a relatively small footprint. Rabbits can be inexpensive to feed and easy to care for in a colony setting and they are certainly healthier and happier in groups (although they have their tiffs). Basements and clean heated garages make great indoor sanctuaries while a shed and a run, a large modified chicken coop, a barn stall or a secure purpose-built structure would be comfortable for the hardier rabbits and those born outside. (A rabbit born in a house will prefer life indoors while rabbits born outside will be more comfortable in that environment).

Colony Rescue – Capacities can be greatly increased by housing rabbits in colonies. Strange rabbits introduced to a new space all at the same time will almost always get along. (They have no territory to defend). It's advisable to set up at least two groups of rabbits and occasionally switch their spaces when adding new bunnies or breaking up chronic 'disagreements'. This also allows for some 'mixing and matching.' Be prepared to permanently remove one or two from a large group. (Some bunnies just don't play well with others).



Rabbitats Enclosure - Surrey, BC



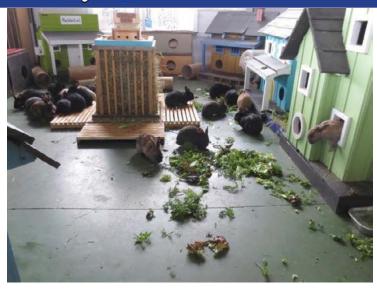
TRACS Enclosure – Kelowna, BC



Precious Life Animal Sanctuary – Sequim, WA



Garage Enclosure w/ 'Bunny Benches'



Rabbitats Garage

Garage or Basement Enclosures – A properly designed basement or garage enclosure can take up a small footprint and still be comfortable for both humans and rabbits with additions like 'burrow benches' and other enhancements.

Backyard Enclosures - A secure shed and a run an attached run can house a dozen happy rabbits, although they'll just have to live with hay instead of grass in the run thanks to their burrowing habits. Not only will the rabbits burrow out of the enclosure, grass will quickly turn to mud. A heavier gage wire (or plastic coated) should be used on the ground (chicken wire will disintegrate under the urine) and either allow

thick grass to grow through it, or use another cover like a sandy road base. The road base can be easily raked and occasionally refreshed to keep the area clean. If there are no options for locking the rabbits in a shed at night, enclosures should be designed with the area predators in mind. Predator-proofing can include strong frames and wire (dog/bear proofing), small mesh (weasel proofing), solid roofs or wide-mesh netting (bird protection), electric wires on the top of the fencing (raccoon proofing), and two-to-three-foot high visual barriers at the bottom of the enclosure walls to keep predators from seeing the rabbits (and vice-versa). Plywood boxes with bunny holes can also be place around the walls to provide burrow-like homes as well as a line-ofsight blocker.



Backyard Enclosure Under Construction



Rabbitats Couryard Enclosure

Barn Stalls - a typical 10x10 barn stall can easily hold 20 rabbits and is easy to clean.

Logistics - When dealing with feral colonies, rabbit control cannot be random. area needs to be cleared methodically and completely, Trapping should take place from November to early January when there is less chance of babies leaving behind babies in nests and the rabbits are hungrier and easier to trap. Trapping is almost impossible in the spring and early summer as the bait is no match for sweet spring grass. Trapping is accomplished via a mix of hav-a-hart animal traps, purposebuilt enclosures and nets. The rabbits need to be placed in an indoor holding area for assessment and sterilization recovery.

How To Pay For It - People who want the rabbits gone should be considered as much as of a donation target as those wanting to save In many cases removing unwanted them.

rabbits from a property – be it private, corporate, or government land – is a service and compensation should be expected. If the rabbits are causing damage, assess the damage and ask that the savings generated be donated to a rescue effort.

Reclaimed Building Supplies -- When building rabbit enclosures, recycled and donated materials are usually plentiful. Approaching deconstruction companies, waste management, etc. may prove helpful.

Cheap Eats - Hay stores serving horses will often let small animal rescuers take the 'sweepings' from their broken bales for free.

Grocers will happily donate their pre-compost and cast off greens and produce to a rabbit rescue. Most pay by the pound to have the material removed, you could be doing them a favour. Tree branches, pulled grass, weeds and other food sources can also be had for free. to take rabbits while offering your services as a volunteer.

Lobby, Lobby and Lobby Some More

– Animal welfare agencies and governments will prioritize animals on their radar and the rabbits are traditionally far far down the list. While funding and other resources are being directed to feral cats, no budgets and few efforts are directed to loose rabbits and that will ONLY change with pressure. The sad truth is that there are relatively few rabbit fans in the world. Every voice must be heard.

What Doesn't Help - Well-intentioned people feeding the rabbit colonies are actually adding to the problem. The rabbits have no end of nourishment, the world is their buffet. All feeding them does is slow them down and cause larger litters to be born and suffer. Rabbits can be fed in the days leading up to trapping, but otherwise they should be left to enjoy what nature provides.

Rabbits as an Attraction

- Don't lose sight of how ridiculously cute a colony of bunnies can be and make that work to their advantage. With a comfortable enough setting people will gladly donate for the privilege of visiting the rabbits. Although 'petting' isn't an option, interacting with treats in hand works very well!

What Else You Can Do To Help - If you can't house rabbits yourself, you can approach farm sanctuaries, horse rescues or other properties asking them



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Ocean

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Mummy: *Sobbing* Why are you crying Daisy?

Daisy: Daisy busn't bees cwyings.... yous bees cwyings!!!

Daisy's Diary | Snapshots of Daisy's posts on Ocean's page

I genuinely get amused by Daisy's posts on Ocean's page. It often cheers up my day and I thought it would be great to pick a few of them and reprint them here. So I reached out to Daisy and she was all excited about the idea and so we are now starting this new section of Bunnyzine called Daisy's Diary. I hope you enjoy it.





Ears O'Fluffin in:

The Case of the Missing Case. - Part 3

by Monica Yoknis

As we strolled through the zoo, I noticed Penny had very different reactions to the various animals. She observed the predator species carefully very while keeping as much distance possible. as Others she hopped right up as close as she could. were watchina the river Otters playing with a treat ball when I heard a trumpeting call from across the central courtyard.



I waved and steered Penny over to the elephant yard. Kimba, the matriarch of the clan (and a good many years older than me) is one of the few critters I will openly call a friend. We have had many debates over the concept of a perfect crime, and I can always count on her to help with the most difficult puzzles.

I had decided not to bother her with today's puzzle, as she's usually surrounded by hoomins. That she not only openly but loudly called to me

meant something must be serious afoot. Penny was nervous introductions. relaxed and we settled under a bush out of the

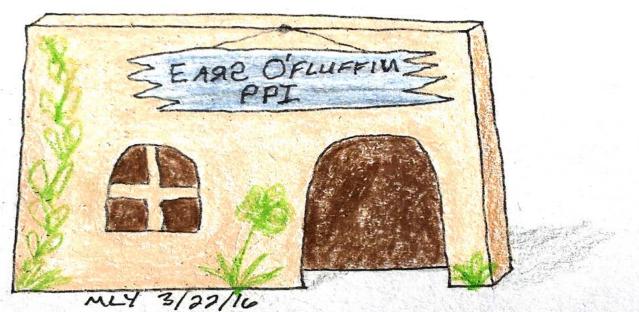
"I knew you were good, Ears," Kimba smiled, "but I didn't think you would be on a case before it was brought to vou."

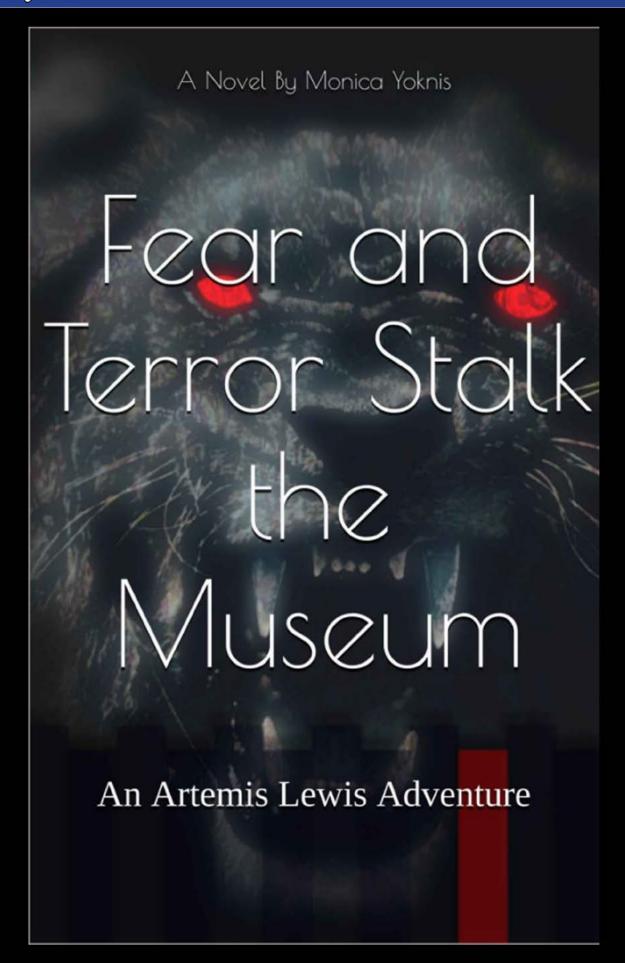
approaching such a gigantic critter, but after traffic flow.

"What case?" I asked, thinking of the note page in my pocket.

"We had a break in, last night. Three men in ski masks climbed the fence, blew open the nursery door, and stole one of the giant tortoise hatchlings!"

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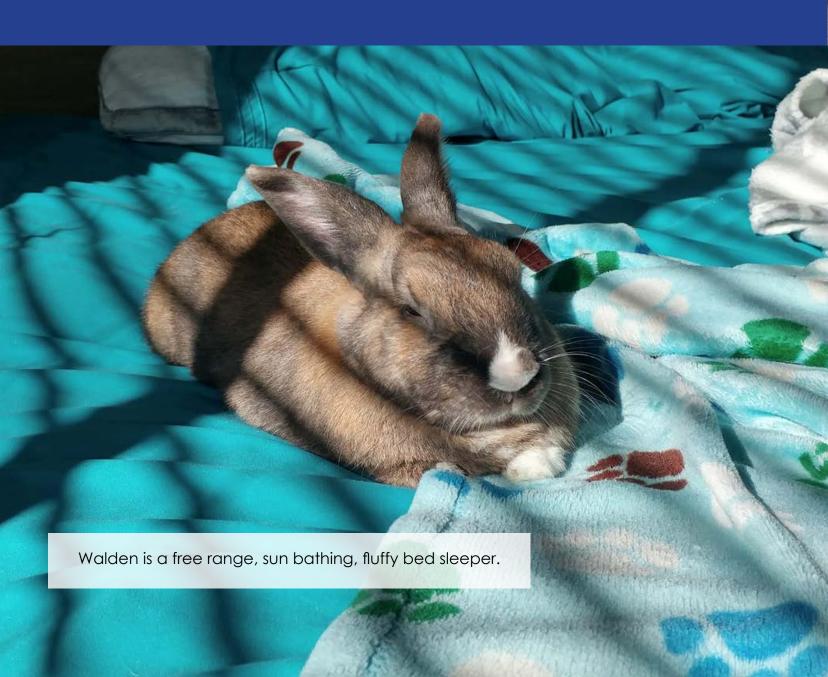


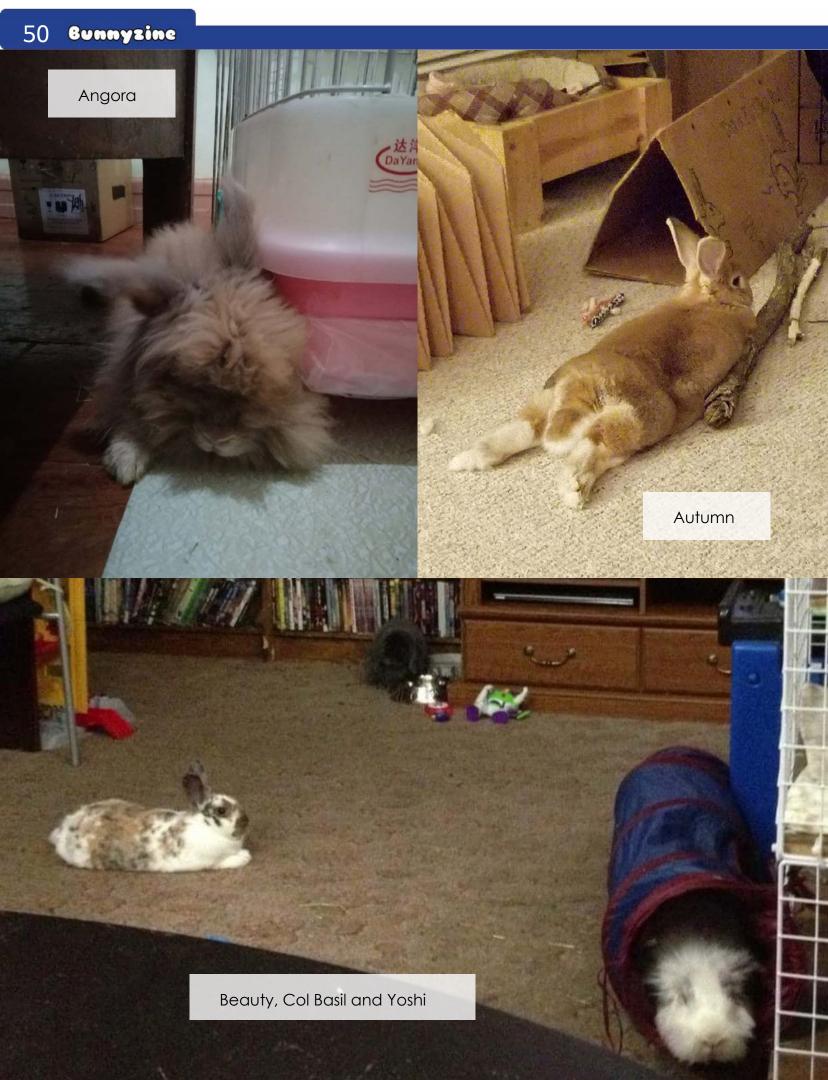


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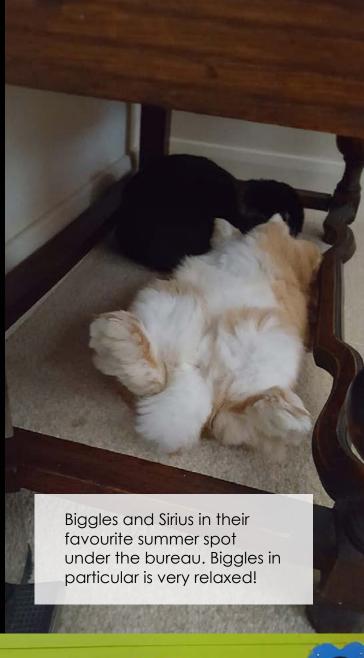
Easter has passed and it hurts my heart to think of the bunnies who have ended up in unfit homes from impulse purchases of bunnies.

Feeling down, I asked you to submit pictures of bunnies living the blissful life. The freedom, the care, the love; everything a bunny could want. You responded to my request so much that we've had to make this pictorial into 3 parts. With over 150 pictures submitted, this is just part 1 of a 3 part series. We'll continue part II in June's issue and part III in July's issue. Thank you so much for the overwhelming response. We love you for it. Enjoy part 1 of our Blissful Life Pictorial







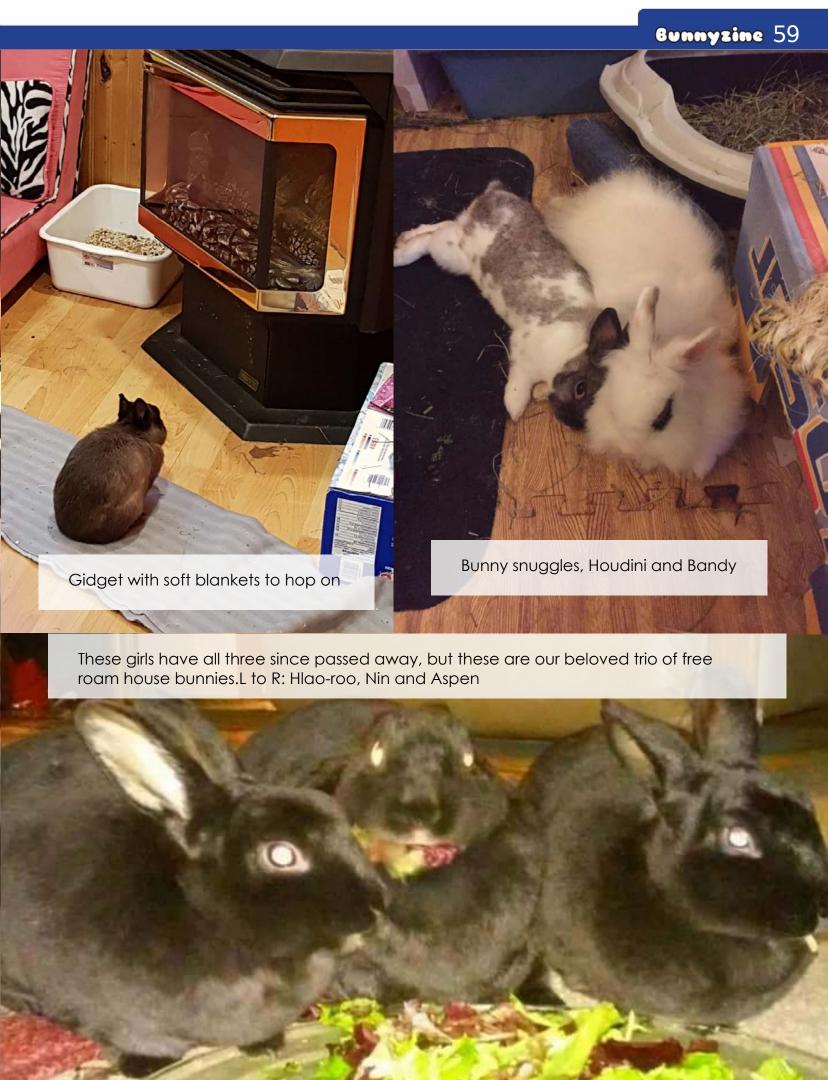


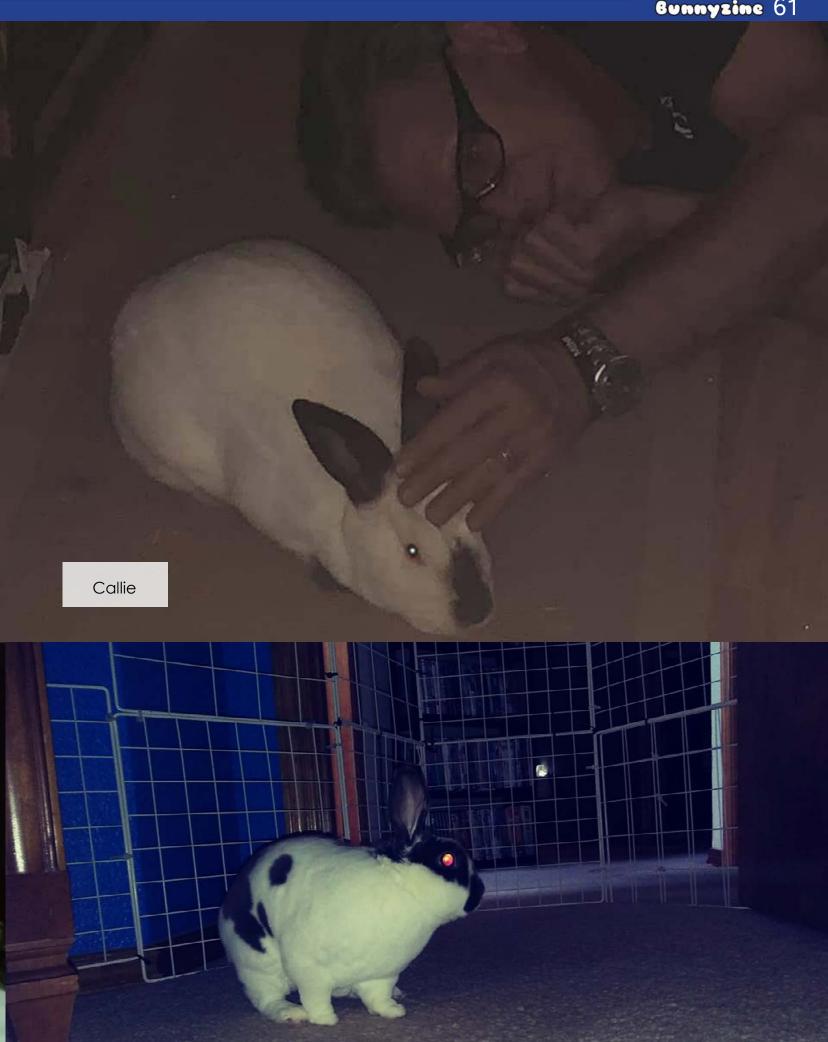


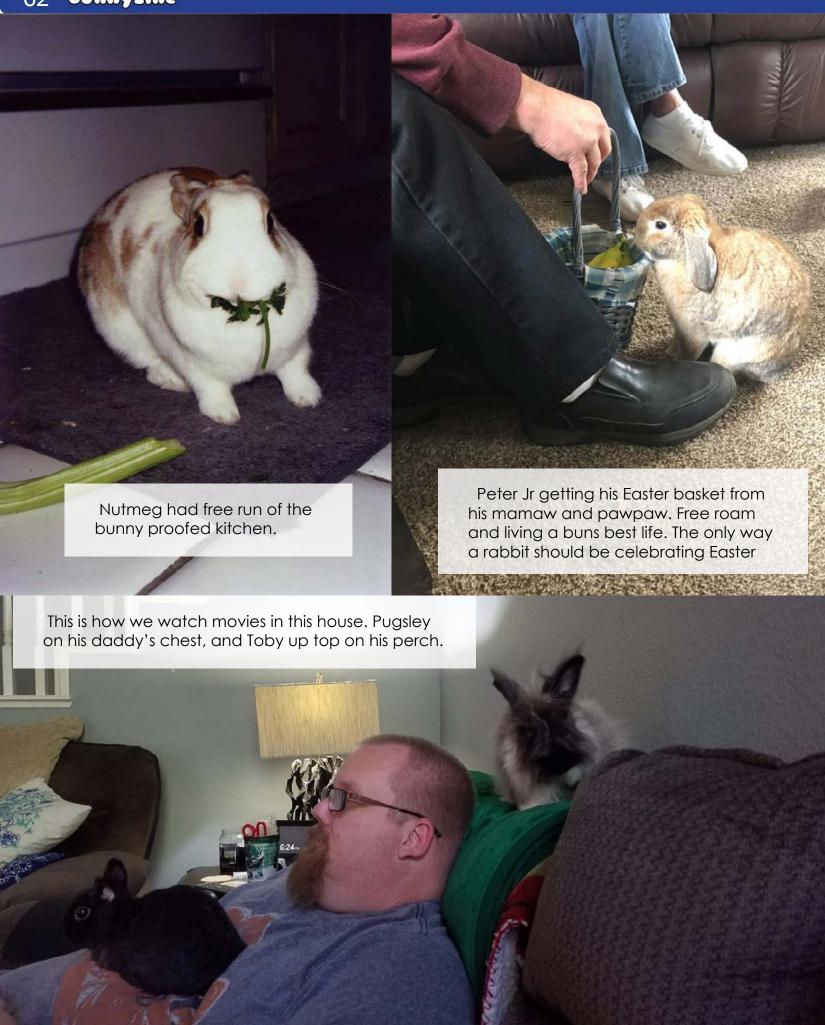
10 of our 11 group who share a 10ft x 4ft x 4ft space in the log cabin with attached 24/7 garden of 32ft long, giving them a combined space in excess of 200 sq ft plus an additional large garden area during the day filled with ample things to do. All but 2

come from a past of neglect in some way or other.





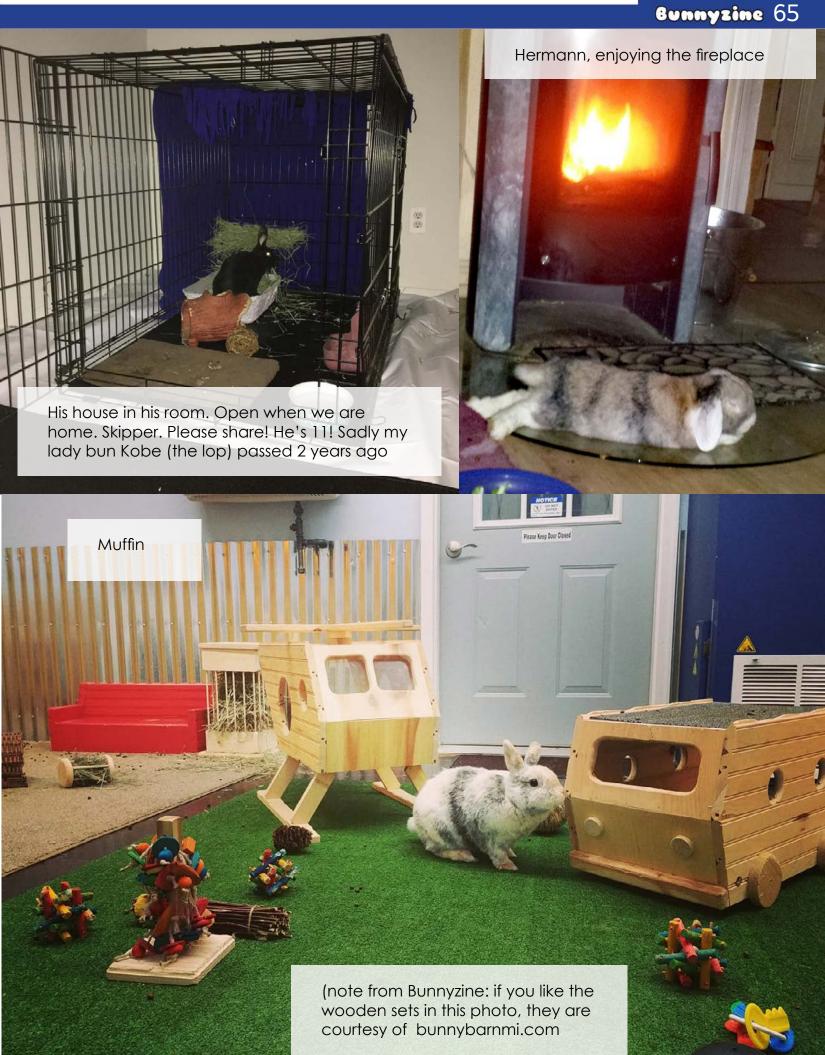












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