

Welcome to the April 2013 edition of Rabbit Runaway Round-up, our quick monthly newsletter via email

## Gentle Giants

Giant bunnies make the most fabulous loving pets. Weighing up to 6kg and some as big as cats they also make a great cuddle. Often the bigger the bunny, the better their temperament. My personal favourite but they are frequently overlooked in favour of the smaller breeds.

Giants need a good run space, and capacity to roam free indoors whilst supervised. They generally love a pat and a cuddle and some are real lap bunnies. Agouti giants like Lady (pictured top right) are often very hardy in terms of health also.

RRO currently has a selection of beautiful big bunnies including lovely Lady, Audie, and Alice. Looking for a baby giant? Both Alice and Lady have babies which also need rehoming.

If you're interested in adopting or perhaps trialling a giant via foster arrangement please [contact RRO](#)



## Calici and Myxo Alert

We are hearing widespread reports of both calici-virus and myxomatosis Victoria wide. Both are carried and spread by mosquitos and both are mostly fatal. Whilst we are still fighting for the myxo vaccine here in Australia, there is an available vaccine for calici virus.

This needs to be given every 10 months to keep your bun safe. Please keep vaccinations up to date and keep your bunnies inside, particularly at dawn and dusk.

Follow the Myxo Campaign via Facebook. The page [Myxo Vaccine 2013](#) will keep you up to date with progress.



## Orphans of the Month

Alice is a beautiful, gentle and friendly girl and Mum to gorgeous Apricot (both pictured to the left).

These two are New Zealand giants looking for a loving home together. These cuddle bunnies adore each other.

Catching them snuggling together is a heart warming sight - can you open your heart and home to these two?

If you are interested in meeting Alice & Apricot, please [contact RRO](#) for details.

## Smiles for the month...

Several lucky bunnies have found their new forever homes in the last month:

Our March adoptions are Diesel; Sooty (who has been bonded with Phoebe after a number of bunny dates); Tyson and Cleopatra (two of Coco's little girls); Hallee Berry and Roxanne.

RRO has also successfully found foster carers for many of the babies, in order to socialise them as they reach an appropriate age for adoption.

If you are interested in adoption or fostering, please visit the [RRO Website](#) to see our current residents looking for a home.



Go to <http://www.rabbitrun.com.au/#!shop/c53d> for the Rabbit Run Online Store, where you can purchase all sorts of goodies such as bunny-care hampers, toys, vet sponsorships, t-shirts and GoodWill Wine as a treat for yourself! Proceeds go directly back to bunny care.

### Baby rabbit formula trial

We will soon be trialling three different formulas for baby bunnies at RRO as part of an exciting study looking at reducing the mortality rate in orphaned baby bunnies.

These will target and support specific rabbit nutritional requirements. Watch this space for further updates.

### Bunny Education - See the links below for handy information about caring for your bun

[Bunny Care Booklet](#) | [Responsible Bunny Ownership](#) | [Taking a New Bunny Home](#)  
[The Bunny Diet](#) | [Bunnies as Indoor Pets](#) | [Companion Bunnies](#) | [When a Bunny Needs a Vet](#)

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