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Welcome to the August edition of Rabbit Runaway Roundup, our quick monthly newsletter.

Fundraising Update

Massive shout outs to everyone who has so generously donated to RRO in our time of need. We have raised approximately \$15,000 which is halfway to our target. We are still hoping for a corporate sponsor to come forward as we are still at risk of losing the property, and the bunnies their home.

There are several fundraising efforts going on currently from BBQ's to sponsored sporting events to jewellery auctions. Watch the [site](#) or [Facebook](#) page for what's happening.



Where do the funds go?

In the month of July, 9 buns were de-sexed and veterinary bills were approximately \$2,500-3,000. Food and supplies have been estimated at \$1,400.

Rescued babies

The three tiny babies are sprightly and bouncy and thriving under the excellent care of Judi and Bryce. Kamikaze cage climbs and cheeky nudges abound.

The buns will be reared to a stable age, desexed and vaccinated, and then re-homed. They will not be released into the wild.

Please note it is illegal to dump rabbits and a \$30,000 penalty applies.



Orphan of the Month

Peter Rabbit (right) was brought in by one of our volunteers, having been dumped in the street. He is a young, handsome and gentle boy with a lovely temperament and those lovely long eyelashes agouti buns have.

He has been desexed recently and will soon be ready for adoption to a good home. Please [contact RRO](#) for further details.

Adoption Boom

We are very happy to report the media coverage has resulted also in many re-homed bunnies. In the month of July we have re-homed Bussy and Phoebe (VIB bun), Peta and Leroy, Olivia, Brenda Lee, Midnight and Scarlett, Molly, Merlin, Nibbles, Manuel, Emily, Vernon and we have Panda and Halle Berry in a foster arrangement.

16 bunnies! They have all gone to fabulous new homes and we are looking forward to hearing updates about their progress.

As we have been so busy with fundraising, paperwork, adoptions and bonding sessions the website is not currently up to date with our available orphans. Please hold tight whilst we catch up!



Donation Idea

Would you miss \$5-10 per fortnight from your pay?

An RRO volunteer has added RRO to the Telstra Charity Donation pool at her work meaning workers can nominate a small amount per pay to be donated. In the absence of this arrangement at most other workplaces we are calling for bunny lovers to set up rolling donations from their personal account to RRO's account:

Account details: Rabbit Run-Away Orphanage Inc.

Bank: Bank of Melbourne; BSB: 113 879

Account: 473554935

If enough people were donating \$5 or \$10 per pay we could stimulate a significant amount of cashflow. Donate an amount on a recurring basis that you will not even notice. Then you can claim your annual collective donation at tax time.

The RRO page has more than 2000 followers -

If we had even 100 of our followers donating \$10 per fortnight we would generate more than \$25,000 per year!



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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