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Lessons in Loving Rabbits from B to A

By Alison B. Colby-Campbell

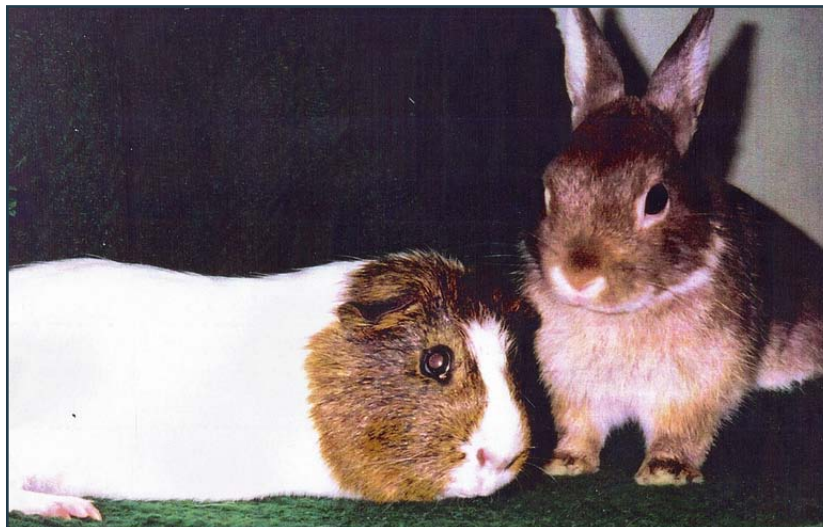
"Hello, my name is Alison, and I'm addicted to rabbits."

The irony of this very true statement is that my first rabbit wasn't meant for me. He was to be a friend for the guinea pig I rescued from sure death - abandoned, poisoned and left for dead in a nature preserve. I brought the foundling to the MSPCA in Methuen, MA as I figured out what to do with him. As part of the counseling session, they easily talked me into keeping the big guy and taking an information sheet on guinea pig best practices. It was there that I learned that guinea pigs are social creatures who need more than just the laundry hamper I carried him in and a workaholic human friend. Oh man, what had I gotten into; this was not the "free" guinea pig I envisioned.

Several months later, I was experiencing how lonely I was on off weeks when my long distance romance seemed more virtual than real, and I began to understand what it might mean for Hope (my g. pig). I headed back to the shelter to check out the "friend" options and learned that rabbits and guinea pigs often make good friends if chosen wisely and introduced slowly. We scheduled a play date.

I was directed to a little, 6 month old Netherland Dwarf who at 2.5 lb weighed just about the same as my Hope, and in the evaluation meeting

he was so sweet and gentle, letting Hope eat from his bowl and enter his enclosure without so much as a scuffle. He seemed calm and unstressed when I held him close to my chest, and he had the softest rust colored equilateral triangle of fur at the nape of his neck, and well who could say "no" to that? I came back in a week, and voila one fewer buns at the shelter along with one fewer pamphlets on bunny best practices.



Hope, the guinea pig and The B.

Lesson 1: Bunnies are loving and sweet companions

Within weeks the bunny that the shelter called Mousse, and I renamed "The B", began the adorable habit of occasionally sneezing and then cleaning his face afterward. It was so cute and tidy. Meanwhile a tiny fuzz-covered horn began developing on his nose, and I headed to the internet knowing that it was time to make the initial visit with a vet since The B had healed from his neutering procedure. My research indicated "snuffles" and rabbit syphilis, but seriously what did I know, I'd never cared for a rabbit

before. I found a recommended vet, but made a critical mistake: I neglected to check the vet's experience with rabbits. He told me the bunny was fine and would get over his little sneeze on his own. Nothing he could see would suggest he was ill. It's what I wanted to hear so I let a couple of weeks pass until the sneezing became a little more regular and the growth more pronounced, and brought him back to the shelter, des-

perate for help. The volunteers immediately recognized that he was ill, and pointed me in the direction of a more rabbit savvy vet in the back room, who also had a personal rabbit companion.

Lesson 2: Bunnies need bunny people as their vets

After the tests, I remember her saying "Who says you can't

have two things wrong? This rabbit has syphilis and snuffles." With some antibiotic and some good tasting banana medicine, we were on the road to recovery, or rather stabilization, with the snuffles. The horn fell off within a day and the sneezing subsided only slightly more gradually.

And then one night I awoke to a shrieking pig - The B was trying to bury Hope alive in the aspen shavings. Then during the day, he head butted him away whenever Hope tried to approach me. He grunted and nipped if not petted in a timely manner, and he forced his head under my hand whenever it was within reach. One day I was amazed at how I modified

my behavior – I was working at home, and just to keep the peace I was typing on the keyboard while non-stop petting The B with my big toe. He thumped really loudly when things didn't go his way. What happened to the little angel of love and fluff I'd adopted? This was no more than an oversized powder puff with an attitude.

I called the vet for the ingredients in his medicine, convinced they contained steroids – how else to explain his personality change? And she smirked (I could tell even over the phone) at my ignorance: "sorry but this is his true personality; he was only sweet when he was too ill to stand up for himself. Now he's trying to reclaim what he feels is his rightful place in the warren, plus he's at "that" age".

Lesson 1 Revised: Bunnies are sweet and loving companions - when it suits their purposes

You're kidding right? I'd never heard of a rabbit that wasn't cute and calm. 75% of the Flopsy, Mopsy and Cottontail plus Peter-the-deviant quartet had never prepared me for this. Who knew Bugs' hijinx were more the real deal? I even went so far as to attend a lecture

on animal behavior that focused on the more traditional pets with personality quirks. I caught up with the doctor (who's very well respected by the way) and asked what to do about The B – I mean this little guy was so socially inept, charging and grunting at the ones he loved, he'd never make friends. I recounted how once, after I shunned him and refused to pat him before retiring because of the guinea pig burial attempt, he tried time and time again until he threw himself on top of my very high bed to quietly yet defiantly walk over and push his nose against my lips. I laughed and patted him. That was the first and only time he needed to do that.

Lesson 3: Some bunnies just don't believe in going to bed angry

The speaker dismissed my question: "you're smiling as you're speaking about this; my guess is he's not causing enough of a problem to be a concern for you and that you actually like his personality."

Well, I thought about that for a while, and realized I did. I liked that this diminutive creature would take on all comers, was not afraid to express

his displeasure, or ask for what he wanted, and that what he wanted was me - and this meant he seemed to dislike the people I disliked (cool!) and that he disliked the ones I really liked (sorry fiancé & Hope, sorry B they aren't going away) and no one better try to come between us!

Lesson 4: Little bunnies can have big personalities

The B – his name was chosen because of all the words it could stand for: Bunny, Baby, Boy, Beloved, Beautiful Bundle of Bunniness, but like him not all of them mean well behaved - Bully, Brat, Beelzebub, you get it. A strong breeze could blow this guy away but when he demanded my heart (which, bolstered by my love for these new fur babies, probably weighed almost as much as he did), he got it. For now and forever.

Lesson 5: Once you give your heart to a bunny and he gives his back, your world will never be complete without one (or more) buns

And those were just the first of the many lessons I was to learn....



The Great Angora Rescue of 2010

by Shannon Cail

Word came through on May 7, 2010. There was a large-scale rabbit rescue of more than 100 angoras occurring at the Maine/Canadian border. Details were still at a minimum, but what we did know was that the rabbits needed help and that we needed to spread the word! With angoras being near and dear to my heart, I decided to

take on the task of emailing as many rescue groups close to MA that I could. Within hours, rabbit rescues in VT, CT and RI responded and said they would pull as many rabbits as they comfortably could into their rescues.



The angoras waiting in Canada to come to the States.

By May 8, the story had made it to the papers in Canada (<http://daily-gleaner.canadaeast.com/cityregion/article/1044378>) and word was spreading that these furry creatures needed help. After lots of organizing by many volunteers, a “bunny angel” named Lorraine drove 19 of the angoras from Canada to MA – including a female with her nursing litter of six babies. HRN took in a single male, while I had the pleasure of fostering the mother and her babies. The rest of the angoras went to surrounding rescues including Sweet Binks Rabbit Rescue in RI, CottonTail Rabbit Rescue in CT, Hop Along Hollow in CT, and NorthStream Wildlife Rehabilitation in VT. Even though these rabbits were now safe and receiving all the TLC and veterinary care they needed, there were still many left in Canada in need of our help.

By May 18, another transport was being planned to bring as many angoras down this way as possible, especially since the original estimate of 100-plus angoras turned out to be 168. This time, I contacted every rescue I possibly could from Maine all the way down to the Pennsylvania and Delaware areas. The response was incredible! News travels fast in the bunny community! Rescues in CT, NH, ME, NY, NJ, PA and DE responded to our plea, as well as those in CA, TX, TN, MI and even in one in Toronto, Canada. Transport to rescues in the New England states and surrounding areas was doable, but those in CA, TX, TN and MI had to be put on hold until we could figure out a way to get the bunnies to them, if at all.

As plans for the next angora transport took shape, the bunnies from the first transport were receiving the care they needed including a good diet, badly needed grooming, veterinary care and lots of TLC. The mother rabbit



A relaxed angora after being clipped down. All that fur gone!

that had come to HRN with her kits was now named TigerLily, and her babies were growing healthier and unbearably cuter with each passing day. New babies were also being born in some of the other rescues since many of the females taken in on May 15 were already pregnant.

On June 5, the next transport of angoras headed down this way from Canada, once again with Lorraine (with the help of her neighbor, Larry). This time there were 31 females (two with a total of 19 babies) and 6 males. Almost all of the angoras had severely matted fur. Some had bad abscesses and a few others had serious eye infections. The majority of the females were pregnant. As soon as they arrived, volunteers worked on accurately sexing them and then determined which rabbits would be going to which rescues. I, along with

4 other volunteers, began the process of clipping down the worst matted cases first so that they could then be sent on their way to their final destination. Another volunteer worked on hand-feeding a litter of ten babies.

All of the angoras were given a few hours of rest, food, water and stretching of their thumpers before they continued on to rabbit rescues in CT, NY, PA, NJ and DE. The two angoras that HRN kept had severe abscesses, and it would have been too risky to allow them to travel any further.

Later in the day and evening, the remaining angoras arrived safely at CottonTail Rabbit Rescue in CT, Hop Along Hollow in CT, My Hope's In You Small Animal Rescue in NY, For Bunny Sake in NJ,

Luv-N-Bunns in PA/NJ, Les Lapins in NJ and HRS Southeastern Pennsylvania-Delaware Chapter. Six of the females went to Small Pets-Big Hearts in NY. However, they didn't arrive until Sunday morning, with a stopover in a hotel on Saturday night.

The Great Angora Rescue took many, many volunteer hours via email and phone calls to schedule and plan accordingly. It could never have been accomplished without the above rescues helping out and coming to the aid of rabbits in dire need. A big thank you also goes out to Rebecca Smith who helped organize and transport some of the rabbits from the second transport to their destinations. When all was said and done, 134 babies were born from both rescue transports. Sadly, 48 of the babies passed and two of the adults succumbed to illness. We think that the main causes of



Lorraine, the woman who alerted us to the plight of the angoras in Canada and drove them down to us, during both transports in May and June.

these deaths were because many of the mother angoras were simply too young to be mothers, and the conditions they came from were so bad that the mothers never received the proper nutrition or care they needed in order to rear their young. Some of the babies just never had a chance.

This rescue mission has shown that when dedication, hearts and lots of love for a specific cause come together anything is possible. Many new rescue relationships were formed from this, and the Canadian SPCAs now know that they have rabbit

allies here in the States. Nothing is impossible when people are willing to help!

Many of the angoras have already been adopted into loving families while many others still wait for their chance at a forever home. Lorraine, the “bunny angel”, ended up adopting TigerLily from the first transport and Stella from the second transport. If you are interested in learning more about the angoras and what kind of care goes into having an angora companion, please email us at info@rabbynet.org.



Evacuation Planning with Bunny

by Lauren White

Evacuating can be a traumatizing event for anyone, but this is especially true for our furry babies who don't understand what events are transpiring and why they're being whisked away from the comfort of their little worlds. The most important thing you can do to ensure the comfort of both you and your pets is to PLAN AHEAD! Hurricane Katrina taught me to pack for at least a week or two. Do not assume you will be able to return home right after the storm.

As a New Orleanian, I have evacuated more times than I care to remember. Once we enter hurricane season, I always make sure that I'm fully stocked with all of my staples (gallons of water, canned goods, batteries, toilet tissue) and that I have at least one extra bag of dog food and two extra bags of hay. Once people realize a disaster is a real possibility, stores get extremely crowded, streets become packed, and people run around frenetically trying to stock up. The shelves are often bare early on, so it is important to stay ahead by at

least a week on your pet staples (hay, litter, dog food, etc). Whether you choose to hunker down or to evacuate, you will need pet food, litter, and other such necessities. Throughout hurricane season, remember to circulate the bags so that the food won't go bad. (When you buy a new bag, use one of the “hurricane” bags).

Each year, I sit down BEFORE hurricane season even starts, and make a list of every item I need to bring for my dog, bunny, and turtles. Think of the average week - what do you use? What medications have been prescribed for your pet? Often, the stress of an evacuation causes underlying conditions to arise or animals to become symptomatic.

If you're going to a hotel: Once a hurricane watch is issued, I start trying to book a hotel room. For a Gulf Coast evacuation, this is the norm, so rooms fill up extremely quickly. The most important thing you can do is to TELL the hotel you have pets. Don't try to hide them or sneak them in - you do NOT want to be thrown out with no

place to go (and with all of the hotels completely booked up). Let them know you have pets and ask about their pet fees. If they don't usually accept pets, ask whether they will make an allowance for the hurricane.

If you plan to go to a parish or county evacuation shelter: You must make other plans for your pet. Most of these shelters will not allow animals. Although some are starting to partner with rescue groups or the ASPCA to help people board animals at the shelter, many people are put in the tragic situation of losing contact with their pets once they arrive at a shelter. Find out ahead of time if the shelter accepts pets and consider other options. Shelters are terrible places to evacuate to, but even more so if you have furry babies.

If you're going to a friend's or family member's house: Make sure they know you have pets. You don't want to cause them discomfort (for example, if they have an allergy). You also need to make sure that there will

be a separate place to keep your pets, away from their pets and small children. This is especially true for small animals, like bunnies. Your bunny will already be alert and upset that she is away from her safe haven. She may be more likely to bite or scratch a stranger or a small child. You don't want your friend/family member's child hurt, nor do you want your bunny harassed.

When packing your pets' items, make sure they are easily and readily accessible. Pack a bag for each pet, then

pets to be comfortable and usually assume that bigger is better. This is not the case for car rides when too much space can lead to being sloshed about in the crate (and can injure your bunny or baby). Place some newspaper at the bottom, with a nice comfy blankie or towel so they can curl up around it, a small pile of hay (for your bunny, who may not eat it but should still have access to it) and water bottles (which are best for travel since crocks tip over).

When loading the car, remember to put the items your pet will need during her trip in an easily accessible place. If your bunny or pet has to take medicine at a certain time, write a note and stick it to the dashboard so you remember to pull over and keep her on schedule.

Place your bunny in a secure position: the cage should not face front to back, but rather side-to-side. The

While you're driving, make sure your music isn't extremely loud (your bunny and other pets' ears are sensitive), and try not to make harsh turns or break suddenly. Do not, for any reason other than a medical emergency, open your bunny's crate while the car doors are open. Do not, under any circumstances, open your car doors without having your dog on her leash. Their instinct may be to bolt and losing them on the road is a tragedy you can prevent if you take a few precautions. Also remind your children never to let the bunny out during the car ride. If you slam on your breaks and the bunny is thrown around the car, she can be extremely injured.

Once you get to your hotel, set up your bunny's regular x-pen or cage. Try to make it as much like home as possible. Don't let your furry baby have free run around the hotel room for ANY reason. You do not want to take the chance of her getting into something (like electrical cords) or getting out of the room. It's just not worth it. Your bunny is not like a dog; she is a prey animal who is easily traumatized. Her explorations right now are not the same as those at home. Entertain her with some pellets, hay, her pillow that smells like home, and any normalcy you can provide. Pet her, love her, reassure her, but do NOT let her roam freely.

Make sure you find out (either ahead of time or at the front desk) the names of local vets and pet supply stores.

Keep in mind that the hotel may also experience some parts of the storm and may lose electricity. Keep frozen water bottles handy for all of your pets to lie on should this happen. They can overheat quickly.

Evacuating with pets can be stressful. However, you should NEVER consider leaving them at home while you and your family evacuate. After all, they are family too!



Example of a pet evacuation list:

Lucy Bunbun

- 2 bags of hay
- Litter
- Litter box
- Car Crate
- Cage
- Toys/blankie
- Water bottle
- Bananas, baggies of her favorite veggies/herbs
- Pillow
- Apple chew stick
- Pellets
- Contact numbers for Ms. June (our HRS rep), and Lucy's Vet
- Medical records

Gracie Dog

- Dog food
- Treats
- Hotel Crate
- Bed/blankie
- Chew stick
- Greenies
- Milk Bones
- Pet tabs, vitamins, knee med, allergy medication
- Teddy Bear, Moo cow, and Monkey
- Leash/collar with rabies tag and name tag
- Shampoo (just in case)
- Vaccination records
- Dr. McKenna's number

pack a car bag for all of your pets. Your bunny will need hay and water throughout the trip so you don't want to have to dig through her toys or her bedding to access them. Your dog, if she isn't confined to a crate during the trip, will want access to chew toys, a bed or pillow, and her leash (during rest stops). By packing a car bag, you will save yourself the time of having to dig through unnecessary items.

Situate your bunny's crate. First, make sure the crate isn't too big. We like our

momentum from slamming on your breaks will cause your bunny to fly forward. If the cage is turned to the side, the bunny won't fly as far and the impact is lessened. Be sure to keep your pet and your children separate if you think your children will stick their little fingers into the cage or annoy the animal. You don't want any bites on the road. Remember, your bunny or pet is out of her natural safe zone. She's afraid and more agitated.



Long-Term Foster Bunnies... We Need Homes Too!

Shimmer! 8 lbs, DOB 2-07, New Zealand

Shimmer was born in foster care... in 2007! Will anyone, anyone at all, find it in their hearts to finally give her a forever home? No animal should be born in foster care and then still be here 3 years later. Shimmer is smart and incredibly sweet. She's a bit shy at first and when startled, but once she knows she can trust you she's always begging for affection (and an occasional papaya treat). Shimmer's litter box habits are good, but her joy in shredding every paper and cardboard in sight and then arranging the results "just so" will make her whole area look like a confetti factory has just exploded. She'd do best in a quiet home with adults or older children who would laugh at her antics, forgive her for the mess and give her *lots* of safe play space, toys and loving attention.



Olivia! 5 lbs, DOB 9-08, Mix

Olivia is a beautiful rabbit with brown fur with flecks of gold and black, who has been in foster care for well over a year now. She is nervous in new situations, but quickly relaxes. She loves to lay around, sprawl out, and find a nice spot in the sun. She would probably bond well with another bun.

Cashew! 7 lbs, DOB 5-08, Mix

Cashew is a wonderfu, very gentle and shy bunny who builds up trust slowly. She will allow herself to be petted but really is more of a one on one bunny. She has a lot of potential for someone who is gentle and allows her to build her safety level up. She has great litter box habits and loves to be free range. She could bond with another bunny if personalities allowed. She is skittish with new and loud sounds so a quieter home may be best for her.



Newton & Einstein! 4 lbs, 5lbs, DOB 4-08, Dwarf mix, Lionhead Mix

These boys have been here for a year and a half! Like many pairs, one is more shy than the other. Newton (brown and white one) is the shy guy. He gently accepts treats after building up trust and knowing his brother is already chewing his. They are both very gentle and are learning to trust. They could greatly benefit from being in a safe and loving home with someone who is devoted to building their trust and helping them learn that they are safe and cared for.

HRN News

Flatbread Fundraiser... Another Success!

On September 28, HRN raised over \$3200 from our 5th Annual Flatbread Benefit Night. Many thanks to our sponsors, Flatbread Company, as well as all of our families and friends, who contributed to making this night a huge success. HRN can not do what we do for the buns, without the help and generosity of people like you!

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- Oct 30, 31 - Boston Vegetarian Food Festival, Reggie Lewis Center, Boston MA, 10-6 Sat. and 10-4 Sun

Memorials

Every time I lose a rabbit he takes a piece of my heart with him. And every new rabbit who comes into my life, gifts me with a piece of his heart. If I live long enough, all the components of my heart will be rabbit, and I will become as generous and loving as they are.

~Author Unknown

Fluff June 11, 2003 - June 8, 2010

Fluff was an amazing rabbit. She was highly intelligent and expressive. She loved life. When she was out on the deck she would scratch at the screen door like a dog wanting to come in. During the hot days of summer she would lay on the air conditioning vent to cool off. When the air conditioning shut off she would scratch at the grates hoping the cool air would circulate. She was fun to watch when she binkied. I remember she would shoot straight up like a rocket - other



times her entire body would binkie and fall back down in the same place. Fluff was an outdoor hutch bunny when I rescued her 6 months after her birth. She and PeeWee were litter mates. She was much larger than her brother. They were good companions. As she got older her mood got the best of her and unfortunately, PeeWee and I. She would grunt, bunny box, and pick battles. She was extremely jealous whenever I patted PeeWee. PeeWee was HER man! Fluff was prone to digestive issues. If she ate something that didn't agree with her she would get quite ill. She would crouch down into a

ball. I would have to administer Metacam, Simethicone, fluids and Critical Care. Within a day she would recover. To my dismay her last bout brought her into stasis and she died. I miss my Fluff. Fluff may you be at peace and free from pain.

~Sadly missed by Barbara Foye

Brickle



Right now I'm trying to bond Sadie with a new partner. I never realized how much she loved and missed you until she went to meet some new bunnies. As each boy was introduced, she laid down looking for your kisses that no long filled her life. You were her sweet, loving, handsome friend who rarely left her side. Your passing was inexplicable, unexpected and much too soon. You were 3. A shy, large, lanky, pink-eyed white some would consider hard to place who is just as deserving of love as much as any other bun. I love you Brickle, Brickman, Brickboy, Ichabod, Icky, Ickyman, Ick. You are my fair weather friend and I miss you very much.

~Beth

Marlo

Little Ms. Marlo was my inspiration. For the last four years she gave me strength to live through difficult times. Her spunk and rabbitude were

absolutely unique. Only 2 lbs she considered herself a giant and was indeed the boss. I adopted her from HRN in the fall of 2006 as a companion for my Holland lop Oliver. Oliver instantly fell in love with his little beautiful diva. Though they could never figure out who was the boss in the relationship they were deeply in love. On Christmas of 2007 she fell very sick. Because of a cystic growth in her chest she was only given another month to live. But against all expectations she pulled through again and again. She was our little hopping medicine cabinet who didn't mind her daily treatments. Often I thought we would lose her, but she would always bounce back. In the end she lived 3 years until her body became too weak to deal with all its problems. Oliver and I are very thankful for the long time we had with her and miss her terribly. We miss her excited look in front of the fridge every morning and the begging for the daily loads of medication. I miss her sitting on the sofa with me and Oliver misses her grooming his floppy



ears. We both even miss being bit by her. I am proud of the scar on my finger I will forever carry because of her disapproval. I am so thankful for having adopted Ms. Marlo and for sharing a period of my life with her. She will always be loved!

~Your mom Corinna and
your buddy Oliver

Annabelle

Annabelle was the sweetest little bun I have had the pleasure of knowing. We were blessed to be her TLC foster home and she will be forever missed. She was always such a love despite



her illness. That precious little face always pressed against her pen so happy to see us. She would stand upright and stick her little paws through the bars as if to say "hurry up" you are taking too long ! I never saw a bun so happy as when she saw her purple box of Metacam come off the shelf! I will miss hearing my 9 year old read her stories and how she would sit at her feet, almost as if she was listening. I will miss her "lop-hop", how those ears would bounce when she hopped about our home. But most of all I will miss the comfort and love we all felt from Annabelle being part of our family. When I brought her home I explained to my children that she was a sick bun and all we could do was love her each and every day she was with us. We accomplished that. We love and miss you Annabelle.

~The Morey Family

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