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RABBIT TRACKS

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"Maddy" & "Isabelle's" babies are our cover buns.
From left to right: Monroe, Franklin, Jackson,
Pikachu, Madison & Penny

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Head Tilt in Rabbits

by Jacqueline Warner, DVM

Head tilt in rabbits, also referred to as torticollis or wry neck, is an indicator of vestibular disease. The vestibular system is a neurologic system that controls balance and coordination. In rabbits, head tilt can be subtle, or it may seem as though a rabbit's head is turned upside-down. Rabbits may appear unsteady, have involuntary back and forth eye movements called nystagmus, or even walk in circles and fall over because of problems with balance. The vestibular system has two parts: (1) nerves in the inner ear (peripheral vestibular system), and (2) nerves in the brain stem (central vestibular system). Knowing *where* the disease is can help a veterinarian figure out *what* is causing the disease, and how best to treat it.

Peripheral vestibular disease is usually associated with an inner ear infection. Although many bacterial infections can occur in rabbits, one of the more common causes of head tilt in rabbits is a bacterial infection called Pasteurella (snuffles). Pasteurella can spread from the nose to the inner ear through the eustachian tube. Rabbits with inner ear infections are usually alert and strong.

A second common cause of head tilt in rabbits is Encephalitozoon cuniculi, also known as E. cuniculi. E. cuniculi is a microscopic parasite that usually affects nervous tissue, the lens of the eyes, and the kidneys. Rabbits can become infected through exposure from the urine of infected animals or through the placenta.



Brady had severe head tilt (about 90 degrees), but after proper diagnosis and medications, he recovered with only a slight tilt.

Rabbits can harbor the organism in their bodies for years without showing any signs of illness. When a rabbit is stressed and his or her resistance is diminished, signs of the disease can appear to come on suddenly. Occasionally, even common stressors like veterinary visits or spay/neuter surgeries can be enough to precipitate the disease. E. cuniculi infections are usually associated with central vestibular disease in rabbits. Like rabbits with inner ear infections, these rabbits can have head tilt,

a loss of balance, and nystagmus. Unlike rabbits with ear infections, rabbits with E. cuniculi may be depressed, may show signs of weakness, and may not be able to sense where the feet and legs are, or be able to return them to a normal position.

Veterinarians depend on history and physical exam findings to help determine whether the disease is peripheral or central. If there is a history of an upper respiratory infection or visible discharge in the ear, a diagnosis of Pasteurella may be more likely. However, unless the patient's tympanic membrane is ruptured, inner ear infections are generally not visible and cannot be diagnosed by simply looking in the patient's ear. Because of their location, these infections are difficult

to culture, so it is not always possible to figure out which bacteria is responsible for the disease. There are blood tests available for Pasteurella and E. cuniculi, but they cannot differentiate between rabbits that have been exposed and rabbits that are actively infected. Radiographs (x-rays) can sometimes show changes if there is a chronic ear infection. When accessible, the most accurate diagnosis is with a CT or MRI scan.

If an inner ear infection is suspected, a rabbit may be started on a course of antibiotics. Since these infections are difficult to culture, a broad-spectrum antibiotic that is safe for rabbits is usually administered for several weeks. A cure is difficult to obtain, and many rabbits require long term or recurrent antibiotic therapy.

E. cuniculi infections are most commonly treated with a dewormer called panacur, or fenbendazole.

This medication is usually given once daily for a month. Panacur is relatively inexpensive and has few side effects, unlike other medications (such as albendazole) which have been associated with a number of complications. Many rabbits with head tilts caused by *E. cuniculi* do get better on their own, without treatment. However, some rabbits require more aggressive treatment. Because the symptoms of *E. cuniculi* occur when cells rupture and produce inflammation, anti-inflammatory medications are often used. Non-steroidal inflammatory drugs such as metacam (meloxicam) are commonly used in rabbits. Corticosteroids are much more controversial, but can be beneficial when used short-term in rabbits with *E. cuniculi* infections.

The use of anti-nausea drugs is also controversial. We do know that dogs and people with vestibular disease are nauseous, and often vomit. Since rabbits do not vomit, it is more difficult to determine if they experience nausea. Drugs such as diphenhydramine (benadryl) and meclizine (bonine) are over-the-counter medications which are sometimes used in rabbits with severe vestibular disease. Their effectiveness is still unknown.

One of the biggest challenges with vestibular rabbits is helping them navigate in their environment. Rabbits with head tilts and balance problems may have difficulty getting to food and water and are more prone to injury from stumbling and falling. Nutritional support is critical in rabbits that are not eating on their own. This might involve supporting the rabbit in an upright position and holding its food, or syringe feeding

Alternative therapies, including acupuncture and physical therapy, are sometimes employed and may be beneficial. These treatment modalities are becoming more common in veterinary medicine, though it is unknown whether they affect a rabbit's long-term prognosis.

The prognosis for a rabbit with a head tilt is variable and difficult to predict. Rabbits that are depressed and are



Belle, a rabbit with only a slightly visible head tilt.

formulas such as Critical Care for Herbivores. Cage modification is also important and rabbits should be restricted to one level and be offered padding to minimize risk of injury. Litterboxes may also need to be adapted, since rabbits with balance problems can have difficulty hopping in and out of a standard litterbox. A rabbit should be allowed to engage in as much supervised normal activity as possible, since exercise helps a rabbit's nervous system compensate for vestibular disorders.

not eating generally don't do as well, and euthanasia may have to be considered in rabbits that continue to decline. The prognosis is better for rabbits with mild signs, and in fact some of these rabbits get better on their own. Many rabbits do respond to the treatment protocols that are offered, though some are left with residual head tilts. It takes time and commitment for a rabbit to improve, but many rabbits can go on to live relatively normal lives.



Is Your Bunny Insured?

by Shannon Cail

Ever thought of health insurance for your rabbit? This might seem like a crazy question to some, if not most people. But if your pet is considered a member of the family, then you owe it to him and to your wallet to look into this.

In today's day and age, the cost of veterinary care can be expensive and overwhelming at times. As the veterinary world expands their medical knowledge and research of rabbit illnesses, owners are able to provide better care, often meaning rising medical costs to care for our beloved pet. VPI (Veterinary Pet



Insurance) has found a way to help us, help our beloved rabbits (and other animals) receive the care they deserve and need.

VPI (www.petinsurance.com) is the primary health insurance coverage provider for pets in the United States.

I first enrolled in VPI about six years ago for my "crew", after one of my rabbits, Cinnamon, spent a very expensive 3 day emergency stay (\$1,000+) at Angell Memorial Hospital in Boston, MA. After that, my vet suggested VPI and I'm glad he did. All four of my rabbits were enrolled at that time and if you have multiple pets, you get a discount. I currently pay \$10.55/rabbit/month for my two rabbits. That's with my multiple pet discount (and PSI—Pet

Sitters International—member discount). If your rabbit has pre-existing conditions, those will not be covered and depending on the condition, they may not insure your rabbit at all. You also have a waiting period of 60 days from the time you adopt/acquire your rabbit to the time that you can enroll them.

I have submitted approximately 35+ claims in the past 6 years. This is NOT the norm for most people with buns, so don't let that scare you (two of my rabbits had extenuating medical conditions which required many vet visits, surgeries, etc.). They also cannot cancel your insurance if you have submitted more than 6 claims per year or if your rabbit is now an "elder". This is new as of about 3+ years ago. The main thing you have to do is bring the "Benefit Schedule" with you when you go to the vet. This way your vet can match your bun's condition/illness to the exact medical term on the Schedule. For example, instead of writing GI stasis, you need to write Ileus (which again is new—that was previously not on the "Schedule").

As far as what they cover and how much, with four-plus pages in tiny type, I couldn't even begin to get into that, but here are a few that they

don't cover. They will not cover parasites. Bailey had mites once and that was not covered. E. cuniculi is also not covered. However, Lucky's seizures and his treatments were covered, even though they were a direct result of the E. cuniculi. They do not cover medications either. They will cover blood work, radiographs, and a multitude of tests, but, only a percentage or what they "allow".

Another thing to note is that depending on where you live depends on what they will cover as well. For example, VPI will not cover molar spurs for people living in CA (this was as of 2005), but they had always covered Lucky's molar spurs, here in MA. This may have changed by now, but again, it is just something to be aware of.

The other issue with coverage depends on how much the vet charges. For example, Bailey was diagnosed with uretera stones and



Cinnamon, the bunny that prompted a call to Veterinary Pet Insurance. Note the green "cast" on his back foot after his "very expensive" stay at Angell Memorial Hospital.

spinal arthritis five days after the insurance went into effect six years ago. He needed an ultrasound before surgery and because the cost of the ultrasound was the same as what VPI “allowed”, the entire procedure was covered (\$160.00). From first diagnosis with radiographs and ultrasound to surgery and then the final veterinary exam after healing, all bills totaled \$2000. VPI covered just about \$1000 of it. Of course that was after they requested I submit the previous two years of ALL veterinary bills, notes, etc. After they were satisfied that I had no knowledge of the arthritis and stones, VPI processed my claims. I had only paid \$10.00 into the policy (at that time) and it had already paid for itself more than I could have imagined. Well worth it!

Your rabbits’ veterinary bills do have to be paid up-front, then you submit the claim, then VPI reimburses you after they process it. There is a \$50

deductible for each related illness. You are also only allowed so much per illness per year. For example, Lucky had five spurs in one year. There was only one \$50 deductible for the first spur. However, the last check was for \$4.00. It wasn’t even worth sending it to me! So the more you submit of one specific illness/medical condition in a policy year, the less you receive in reimbursement. Normal reimbursement time is about 2 months after you submit the claim. Now you can fax the claim, which is so much easier.

They also covered a good percentage of Bailey’s physical therapy and acupuncture in the last year of his life and that is not on the “Benefit Schedule”. The vets would write “Mobility and pain control due to kidney disease and spinal arthritis”. So if it’s not on there, call and ask. If they don’t cover something, call and ask why. They’ve always been very nice and informative on the

phone. I think I’ve called maybe four or five times in the past six years to go over claims.

I had a few claims submitted for Cinnamon when he was alive. Some for stasis (Ileus), one for his heart condition (an echocardiogram, etc.). Lily has had no claims since I insured her over four years ago. Peepers has had one claim in the last year. It was an emergency visit to VESCON in Waltham, MA after he and Lily had a nasty fight during “bonding”. I thought for sure VPI wouldn’t cover any of it, but they did! My total emergency bill was \$265 and after the \$50 deductible, I received a check for \$76.00. Not bad considering.

If you’re interested in the insurance, go to www.petinsurance.com and you can get a quote and start the process right online. If you’ve ever considered insurance, I’d highly recommend it to all!



The Story of Snugs

by Barbara Foye

It was a cold, bitter winter day and I knew there was a severe snowstorm approaching. I was thinking about this poor, helpless bunny in the outdoor hutch, and I was concerned for this little rabbit.

Every day on my drive to work I would pass this home with the hutch in the driveway. Sometimes I would see the bunny, sometimes I would not. But this was an exceptional day; the temperatures were dropping and the storm was due in before the next day.

That evening, after I got out of work, I went home, changed into my jeans and packed a bag of hay. I drove to the house and it was dark. There was no front light on, but there were three cars in the driveway. I took my chances. I pulled up in front of the house and parked in the driveway. I walked up the front steps and



Snuggles, rescued from a cold, solitary confinement.

rang the doorbell. It took a while before someone answered. The front lights came on and the door opened.

A man in his late 50's, with an average build and grey hair, opened the door. As I spoke, I started to get tongue-tied. I said, "Hi, I know there is a storm coming and I see you have a rabbit in the hutch. I have two bunnies myself and I am concerned for your rabbit. I thought maybe the rabbit might want some hay to keep warm from the storm." I'm sure he must have looked at me like I had three heads. He said, "It's my daughter's rabbit." The daughter then came to the top of the stairs. She said, with a smile on her face, "It's my rabbit, you can have her if you'd like." She said her name was Snuggles and she had had about 30 babies. The father said, "I take care of it, she doesn't. I go out every other day to chop the ice so that she has some water." (I was stunned—thinking they put that rabbit through such conditions!) "I'd like to give the rabbit some hay", I said. The father offered to take me out to the hutch.

As we walked to the hutch he said, "You can have him if you'd like. I was going to give him to my sister." (The father didn't even know what sex it was.) I took one look at her and my heart went out to her. I asked if I could hold her, he said sure. I picked her up and held her. I said, "I can really have her if I want?" He said, "Yes." I said, "I'll take her!" I brought her over to my car, put her down on the floor of the back seat, grabbed the hay and thanked him and drove away.

I set up a cage in the basement as it was a bit cooler than the upstairs and I didn't want her body temperature to overheat.

I hugged her for the majority of the evening, feeling very thankful to have her. And she, I'm sure, was relieved to be out of those extreme conditions.

As I held her, I noticed how bony her spine was. She had a thick dewlap under her neck and she also had extra skin/fat around her hips/back (due to being overweight at one point in time). The fur around her eyes was stiff and frozen.

I put her in a cage so she would feel secure. I wanted to have her contained for awhile for her own protection and internal security. I noticed in less than 12 hours she finished an entire bottle of water (she must have been dehydrated). I gave her pellets and a litter box filled with hay and she ate like a pig.

After a few days, I took her to the vet for a complete exam. Dr. Astrid Kruse, one of the vets at VCA Animal Hospital in Wakefield, MA looked her over and said, "It's a good thing you got her in her when you did, as she would have been dead within the next 6 months." She had an infection, so Dr. Kruse immediately put her on antibiotics. Her molars were in bad condition. They needed to be filed down. Dr. Kruse said her teeth would have given her pain and eventually she would have starved to death and died. We



Snugs and her boyfriend, Radar. She's living the good life now!

set up an appointment to have her spayed and to get her molars taken care of. I was concerned for her health—she was an older unspayed rabbit and the chance for uterine cancer was likely.

Fortunately, after she had the surgery she had no signs of cancer. She did have to have a tooth removed, but the vet didn't want to put her through any more stress. Dr. Kruse said she did quite well, and she recovered faster than the younger, overweight bunny she spayed earlier that day.

Snuggles lives up to her name. Every evening she sits on my lap as I work on word puzzles and watch television or listen to the radio. She has an incredible personality. Every time she hears my husband come into the room her right ear rises as she knows he will give her treats! Snugs is safe now; she is protected from the elements and other animals. She is no longer neglected. She must feel secure as she sleeps in such a deep sleep. (I'm surprised she doesn't snore!)

Snuggles is a love bug,
she is a real cuddle bunny.





Bailey's Fund: He Needs Your Help!

Bailey is an adorable, 3 month old mini-lop, who arrived at our rescue with a severely broken leg. His injury required special surgery and an external pin. We are hopeful that his leg will heal properly. To date, his surgery has cost \$1170.

If you would like to donate to "Bailey's Fund", please go to <http://babybaileysfund.chipin.com/baileys-fund>. From here, you will see our "Donation Widget" (see box below). Just click on the "ChipIn!" button to make your donation. Every dollar that you can contribute makes that much more of a difference in the life of this rabbit and all the others that come into our care and need our help, such as Bailey.



UPDATE! - Huge thank you to all those who contributed to "Bailey's Fund"... we reached our goal and Bailey's veterinary bills have been paid, to date! We couldn't have done it without you.

Bailey's Fund

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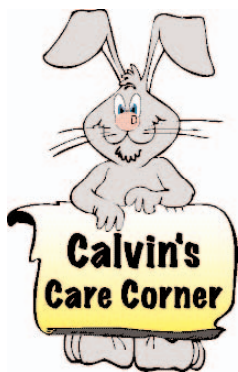
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Question: Hi Calvin, I'm having a hard time finding a grated litter box large enough for my growing Flemish Giant. He currently has a corner box which goes in his cage really well, but he's getting too big. This box has a grate for him to sit on and the newspaper and litter goes underneath. I'm worried that if I don't have a grate like that he will at best make a mess tearing up the paper, and at worst, eat the litter. Do you know of anyone who retails a box like that? Also, I'm a little skeptical about the newspaper. My rabbit is very interested in chewing anything made of paper, but I'm afraid it will hurt him. Does it do them any harm to chew paper?

Answer: I would personally get a regular Xlarge cat litter box. Those corner boxes really only work for very small rabbits such as dwarfs that are less than 3 lbs. Most rabbit owners use a thick layer of newspaper and then a nice layer of timothy hay on top of that or wood stove pellets and then the timothy hay on top. One of my bun friends used a grated litter box and that was because he was a very determined "digger". He would constantly make a mess of his litter box. If you use the timothy hay on top, it's less likely that your bun will eat the litter under it. Most (if not all) of the newspaper inks made today are not harmful, making newspapers safe to chew.

If you have a question for me, please email Calvin@rabbitnetwork.org and I'll do my best to answer each and every one.

HRN News

Yankee Candle UPDATE!

Thank you and congratulations to all those who participated in the Yankee Candle Spring Fundraiser. A whopping \$4502 in merchandise was sold! House Rabbit Network received \$1854.82 (a profit of 40% off the sales plus an additional 3% off the balance of the invoice). Bravo to Melissa and Justin Lyons who generated \$1214 in sales along with raising \$62 in HRN donations. Your support in these fundraisers enables HRN to continue its mission of finding forever loving homes for bunnies in need.

Thank you EFP!

HRN was presented with a check for \$3346 from Especially for Pets. It was the money raised from all six EFP locations in a period of three months during the 1st Quarter Nail Clipping Drive of 2008. Binkies to EFP and all those who contributed!

Buns, Buns & More Buns

On Sunday, March 31, a litter of babies and two bonded females from an Animal Control situation in Winchendon, MA were taken into HRN care (along with other rabbits). No one is sure of the maternity ownership, but one thing is certain... both rabbits were nursing all 6 of the babies! Isabelle and Maddy then gave birth to a total of 10 more babies in the next week and a half while in foster care!


On April 10th, Springfield Humane Society in VT, took in 27 dwarf rabbits from an elderly man who quickly became overwhelmed with these



multiplying critters (unfortunately, a story heard all too often—rabbits NEED to be spayed and neutered). House Rabbit Network was contacted and we pulled 13 rabbits into our foster homes.

With these two recent rescues and the ongoing rescue in Plymouth, MA, adoptions and donations are needed. If you can help in anyway, please contact us at: info@rabbitnetwork.org, call our **Hotline at 781.431.1211** or make a donation via Paypal on our website: <http://www.rabbitnetwork.org/newshop.shtml#membership>

Save the Date!

HRN's 3rd Annual Benefit Night at Flatbread Restaurant in Bedford will be held on Tuesday, October 21st, 2008. Flatbread donates a percentage of sales from each large and small  pizza sold that night, to HRN. We will be holding a raffle that evening as well.

Upcoming Ed Events

We hold education events at various locations in Eastern Massachusetts. All dates and locations are on our web site at www.rabbitnetwork.org. Please stop by to visit, and we will be happy to answer any questions you may have about rabbits and their care. Information about adoption, along

with a listing of rabbits currently up for adoption will also be available. We do not adopt out on site.

- Sept. 6 - Tufts Open House, Grafton, MA, 10 AM - 3 PM
- Sept. 14 - Pet Rock, Quinsigamond Community College, Worcester, MA, 12 PM - 5 PM

Memorials

Those of us who choose to love such delicate creatures as rabbits take the risk of having to say goodbye before we are ready. When this happens, the following brief poem may help us remember to treasure what we had, loved, and must let go:

*"He who binds for himself a joy
Must the winged life destroy.
He who kisses the joy as it flies
Lives in Eternity's sunrise."
~William Blake*

Rosie - In Memory of all those we tried to save...

At first, the early April phone call didn't seem unusual. A gentleman in Billerica had seen a domestic rabbit in his yard. It wasn't his, but he was concerned about it and wondered if there was anything we could do. The man's next words ratcheted up the urgency: the bunny seems "very tame, does not run, and there's something wrong with its eye – it looks like it's coming out of its head." Without waiting for a full group to be available, another volunteer and I rushed to Billerica.

"It's in there. It hasn't moved since this morning." Sure enough, the bunny was crouched under the bush. We surrounded the area with a folding pen and I was able to simply reach down and pick the bunny up – it barely struggled.

The condition of its eye was horrific! It was badly infected, swollen to more than double its normal size and com-

pletely ruined. The bunny was also weak and emaciated. Clearly this bunny was in terrible trouble and needed immediate medical attention. I rushed it to the veterinary hospital; it was the bunny's best chance for survival.

The exam showed that her condition was even worse than I originally thought. In addition to her awful eye, her ears were infested with mites and she had an abscess next to her good eye. Overall, her injuries pointed to the likelihood that she had been hit by a car – and survived. We couldn't imagine how long she'd been out there alone in the bitter winter weather, gravely injured and with almost nothing to eat. A large-boned beauty like her should have weighed 8–9 lbs., but the scale barely tipped 5.5 lbs. We named her Rosie. I gently kissed her forehead.

Rosie needed major emergency surgery, lots of intensive care and plenty of luck to make it. Every person on the hospital staff was willing to do whatever it took to give her a chance. And Rosie herself was obviously trying to survive: despite what must have been horrible pain, she would raise her head and respond to our hands and voices.

We had high hopes because that night she eagerly ate an extra-large meal of Critical Care. The next morning she showed small signs of improvement. Unfortunately there wasn't time to stabilize her before surgery – that eye had to come out right away.

Rosie tried. The doctors tried. And all of us at HRN were pulling for her and praying for her spirited little self to come through. But it was much, much, too late. Our little Rosie went into cardiac arrest during surgery and she died on the table.

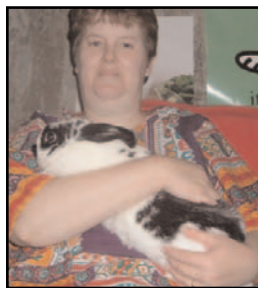
We're left with admiration for the

heart of a brave little bunny who should never have had to bear such pain and suffering. Our one consolation is that she didn't die alone and miserable but instead spent her last night in a warm, comfortable place where she was well-fed and surrounded by people who loved her. I think she sensed the love and was able to relax from her desperate fight and die a sweet, gentle death.

Rest in peace, Little One

Mama

"Mama" went to the Rainbow Bridge 3/25/08. I named her Mama because she gave birth to 3 babies after I took



her in from the family who no longer wanted her. She was a sweetheart of a rabbit who would beg for craisins.

Her playmate, Toasted Marshmallow, misses her. Mama, and her son, Toasted Marshmallow, would cuddle together for hours on end.

Love, Karen

Colby

May 17, 2003-April 17, 2008

Colby - my precious bunny with so much heart! How ironic and sad, that in the end, it was your little heart that gave out. You were merely one month shy of your fifth birthday, but in your brief life, you had endured so much. Poor genetics doomed you and your sweet brother,

Maurizio, to lives fraught with medical issues. When we lost Mozie two and a half years ago, I didn't know how you would survive



without your big brother. You had been the shy, cautious bun, living in the shadow of your gregarious, curious sibling. However, to my delight, you developed into an outgoing, affectionate bunny eagerly seeking out petting and kisses. At Suzanne's, you met the girl of your dreams, Little Miss Belle. It was love at first sight for both of you and you enjoyed three amorous months together. Sadly, Belle succumbed to heart failure and left you alone once again. Seeing how despondent you were, we set up another round of bunny speed dating and you met Kali. She is not the gentle soul that Belle was and instead demonstrated her love and affection for you rather forcefully, often necessitating that I pull her off you, as you would collapse under her weight. Last year, when we nearly lost you due to kidney failure, Kali's visits with you at Angell seemed to give you the strength to carry on. You surprised everyone by pulling through. I consider this entire past year a wonderful bonus year that we were very fortunate to share with you. Following the extraction of your incisors and that blasted peg tooth that kept growing back, I was so happy for you, believing that your health problems were finally behind you. But all your hardships had left their toll on your heart and it was just not possible for you to fight one more battle. You quietly called me over to you in your last few minutes, so I could sit with you and stroke your head. And then, you were gone. Sweet Coco-bunny, you will always be very lovingly remembered

and I hope you are snuggling again with your beloved companions, Maurizio and Belle.

You're sadly missed by Mommy Cornelia and Kali

Join HRN...or...Please Renew Your Membership

House Rabbit Network is now in its 9th year—and we continue to grow. Through our network of dedicated volunteers and members, we are making amazing strides to improve the welfare of house rabbits everywhere. Your support can only further our goals, so become a member and get involved.

Visit our website to find out how to help: www.rabbitnetwork.org.

If you are not already a member, please join HRN!

Your membership dollars will go towards rescue and rehabilitation, community outreach and education, and veterinary expenses.

Help make a difference in a rabbit's life. They're counting on you!

Contact House Rabbit Network at info@rabbitnetwork.org or (781) 431-1211.



House Rabbit Network Membership and Ordering Form

Your membership donation is tax deductible and will be used for medical costs (spays/neuters, vet bills) and education expenses. All members will receive a copy of our newsletter, *Rabbit Tracks*, when it is published. Currently, we are publishing three issues per year.

Memberships run from April 1 to March 31 (donations received in Jan.–March will be credited for the following year). To join, fill out this page and mail it with your check (payable to the House Rabbit Network) to:

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