## 2023 - The Year of Babies and Bumbles

## An Invitation to Support Metropolitan Guinea Pig Rescue

Ulf

Friends of MGPR,

Every year has its challenges, and this year was no different. 2023 brought us babies, babies, and more babies. How can anyone complain about beautiful perfect little guinea pig babies right??? Well, I'm not really going to complain. It's wonderful when the sweet little nuggets arrive. They are so silly with their big feet and floppy ears. They run and they play with such sweet abandon.

Especially when they are born in our rescue and not the horrid situations that most of their parents are born in. So, what made these sweet babes such an issue for us? There were a lot of them since our last fundraising letter, at a quick look I came up with 28. That means we had to raise those babies until they could be spayed and neutered. Two to three months for the boys and four to six months for the girls. That was a lot of

cage space that was not available for our regular intake. In a year when the demand was higher than ever for us to take in unwanted pets.

Zahara

That brings us to the bumbles. We tried very hard to take in the sick guinea

pigs we were contacted about and did a fair job of it, but Ulf needed so much attention for so long to get those poor feet in good shape.

Never had I seen bumbles that had dissolved this much bone in a guinea pigs' feet. He was in so much pain, Other memorable cases this year were Zahara, Fitz and now Booker. Both Ulf and Zahara were

adopted by members of our rescue team. Booker will be going into our sanctuary program. That means he will live with a member's guinea pigs in their home as if he were owned. But since we know there will be many ongoing vet bills, those continue to be covered by our rescue. Fitz's feet are healed, and his fungus is gone. Hopefully, by the time you receive this he will have found his forever home.

Once again, we come to you asking for your continued support. We are able to fulfill our mission because of you. Please help again this year. Every donation matters.

Learn more about these and other guinea pigs on our website.

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