

Force-Free Trainers – South Australia

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If none of the RSPCA Force-Free training classes are convenient for you, you will find a selection of other Force-Free training services below.

RSPCA South Australia is not able to officially endorse the following list, but does both advocate for and promote Force-Free training methods. Each trainer listed below has signed the following declaration based on the definition of 'Force-Free' by the [Pet Professional Guild](#):

“I confirm that only 'Force-Free' dog training methods are used, defined as:

No shock, No pain, No choke, No fear, No physical force, No compulsion based methods are employed to train or care for a pet.”

All of the trainers below hold at least a minimum force-free dog training qualification, the acronyms for which are at the end of this document along with the institutions offering them.

NB: Check chains & prong collars are not promoted or used under any circumstances by trainers on this list

The listings below are colour coded to help you find a trainer who offers the service you're looking for:

Puppy Pre-school

Pet Dog Training Classes

Private Training / Consultations

Adelaide, Eastern Adelaide and surrounding suburbs

| Organisation and/or Contact Person | Qualifications & Services | Contact Details |
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| Adelaide Pet Dog Training | Certificate IV in Companion Animal Services; CAP 1 & 2 Puppy pre-school at Stephen Terrace Veterinary Clinic Small group pet dog training courses held at Blackwood and Burnside. Private consultations in Adelaide and surrounding suburbs. | Phone: (08) 8272 0018 Mobile: 0409 991 530 Email: bodil@petdogtraining.com.au Web: www.petdogtraining.com.au |
| Adelaide Veterinary Behaviour Services Tracy Irons | Certificate IV in Companion Animal Services Private consultations in Adelaide and surrounding suburbs | Mobile: 0488 038 054 Email: tracyb@avbs.net.au Web: www.adelaideveterinaryservices.com.au |
| AdelaideVet Goodwood Road Lena Logan | BSc (Animal Behaviour). Professional Canine Trainer – Accredited (PPAB) Puppy pre-school and Puppy University at AdelaideVet Goodwood Rd Private consultations at AdelaideVet Goodwood Road | Phone: (08) 8169 9755 Email: lenal@adelaidevet.com.au Web: www.adelaidevet.com.au |

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| Balancing Act Adelaide Fiona De Rosa | Dip. Canine Behaviour Science & Technology Private consultations in Adelaide and surrounding suburbs | Mobile: 0431 863 357 Email: fiona@balancingactadelaide.com.au Web: www.balancingactadelaide.com.au |
| Bev Clark | Certificate IV in Companion Animal Services Puppy pre-school at The Parade Veterinary Clinic, Norwood | Mobile: 0413 430 763 Email: |
| Canine Behavioural School Inc (CBS) Head Instructor: Kate Denman | Professional Canine Trainer – Accredited (PPAB), Canine Training Technician – Accredited (PPAB), Certificate IV Companion Animal Services Pet dog training classes held at Patterson Sportsground, Felixstow from beginners to advanced | Mobile: 0481 395 337 Email: info@caninebehaviouralschool.com.au Web: www.caninebehaviouralschool.com.au Online bookings essential |
| Puppy Partners Felice Case | Certificate IV Companion Animal Services Puppy pre-school at RSPCA Petville, Salisbury Highway Vet Surgery and St Bernards Road Vet Clinic. Private consultations in Eastern & Northern suburbs of Adelaide | Mobile: 0408 089 555 Email: PuppyPartners@outlook.com Web: www.PuppyPartners.com.au |
| Dog Knows Kate Denman | Professional Canine Trainer – Accredited (PPAB), Canine Training Technician – Accredited (PPAB), Certificate IV Companion Animal Services Puppy pre-school at St Bernards Rd Vet Clinic. Private consultations in Adelaide and surrounding suburbs | Mobile: 0414 446 878 Email: woof@dogknows.com.au Web: www.dogknows.com.au |
| Emma Gane | Certificate IV in Companion Animal Services Puppy pre-school at Port Road Veterinary Centre | Phone: (08) 8340 0388 Email: staff@portroadvet.com.au Web: www.portroadvet.com.au |
| K9s On the Couch Todd Hollister | Certificate IV in Companion Animal Services Private consultations in Adelaide and surrounding suburbs | Mobile: 0432 074 134 Email: petdogtrainer@gmail.com |
| Pawly Understood Kimberley Nicolle | Certificate IV in Companion Animal Services Private consultations in Adelaide and surrounding suburbs | Mobile: 0468 451 313 Email: pawlyunderstood@gmail.com Web: www.pawlyunderstood.com |
| Petra Edwards | BSc (Animal Behaviour), Professional Canine Trainer - Accredited (PPAB), CAP1 & 2 Currently unavailable due to PhD studies in Animal Behaviour | Mobile: 0439 471 440 Email: petra@petraedwards.com Web: www.petraedwards.com |

| Organisation and/or Contact Person | Qualifications & Services | Contact Details |
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| Positive Dog Training Sharon Crichton | Certificate IV in Companion Animal Services, CAP 1 & 2 Pet dog training classes held at Unley and Clarence Park including Basic Dog Manners, Intermediate & Advanced. Private consultations in Adelaide Metro and Adelaide Hills | Mobile: 0418 886 698 Email: info@positivedogtraining.com.au Web: www.positivedogtraining.com.au and www.positivedogproducts.com.au |
| Sharon Milne | Certificate IV in Companion Animal Services Private consultations in Adelaide and surrounding suburbs | Mobile: 0400 447 675 |
| Susanne Eckert | Certificate IV in Companion Animal Services Puppy pre-school at Payneham Veterinary Centre, Walkerville Vet Surgery and Stephens Terrace Vet Clinic. Private consultations in Adelaide Metro area | Mobile: 0412 500 661 Email: jeneck@esc.net.au |
| Two Brown Dogs Canine Behaviour & Training Vicki Richardson | Member: Institute of Modern Dog Trainers Private training in Adelaide and surrounding suburbs | Mobile: 0481 396 593 Email: info@twobrowndogs.com.au |

Adelaide, Adelaide Hills and Murray Bridge

| Organisation and/or Contact Person | Qualifications & Services | Contact Details |
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| Family Pet Education Jess Dunduk | Karen Pryor Academy Certified Training Partner (KPA CTP) Private consultations in North-East Adelaide and Adelaide Hills | Mobile: 0403 145 909 Email: jess.dunduk@yahoo.com.au Website: Family Pet Education |
| Scholars in Collars Alexis Davison | Certificate IV in Behavioural Dog Training, Karen Pryor Academy Certified Training Partner (KPA CTP) Puppy pre-school in Stirling and Balhannah. Pet dog training classes held in Balhannah and Mt Barker. Private consultations Adelaide Hills, Eastern suburbs, Murray Bridge | Mobile: 0400 205 667 Email: alexis@scholarsincollars.com.au Web: www.scholarsincollars.com.au |
| Tracey Rogers | Karen Pryor Academy Certified Training Partner (KPA CTP) Puppy pre-school at Avenue Road Stirling Veterinary Surgery (bookings Ph 8339 2842) Private consultations in Adelaide and surrounding suburbs | Mobile: 0426 814 795 Email: traceyprogers@gmail.com |

Northern Suburbs & Rural SA

| Organisation and/or Contact Person | Qualifications & Services | Contact Details |
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| All Paws In Dog Training Aaron Gilson & Tessa Wright | Cert IV in Companion Animal Services, BSc (Animal Science) Private Consultations in NE & surrounding Northern suburbs | Mobile: : 0415 256 859 Email: allpawsindogtraining@gmail.com Facebook: fb.me/allpawsinforcefreedogtraining |
| Barking up the Right Tree Dog Training Sharon Hobbs | Certificate IV in Companion Animal Services Private consultations in Northern suburbs. | Mobile: 0468 780 438 Email: sharon@righttreedogtraining.com.au |
| Cheery Dog Training Elaine Kennedy | Certificate IV in Companion Animal Services Private consultations in Barossa, Mid North and northern suburbs. | Mobile: 0428 138 056 Email: cheerydogtraining@gmail.com |
| Gawler Animal Hospital Sonia Van De Kamp Tracey Taylor | Certificate IV in Companion Animal Services Puppy playschool & senior puppy class. Private consultations and training | Phone: 08 8522 3500 Email: reception@gawlervets.com.au Website: https://www.gawlervets.com.au/services/ |
| Joanne Davies | Cert IV in Companion Animal Services Puppy pre-school at Semaphore Veterinary Surgery. Pet dog training classes Level 1 & 2 held on Birkenhead Reserve. Private consultations at Semaphore Vet Surgery. | Mobile: 0412 400 923 Email: svsdogtraining@gmail.com |
| Paws for Thought Dog Training Laura Brady | Certificate IV in Companion Animal Services Pet dog training northern suburbs/hills. | Mobile: 0417 417 058 Email: laura_brady_au@hotmail.com |
| Positively Pawsome Training Solutions Sara Martin | Certificate IV in Companion Animal Services Pet dog training classes & Delta Good Citizen Program in Nuriootpa. Private consultations in Barossa Valley and surrounding area. Online consultations | Mobile: 0437 795 520 Email: smartin@internode.on.net Website: https://positivelypawsome.com.au/ |
| Virginia & Community Dog Training Centre Elisabeth Brady | Certificate IV in Companion Animal Services Pet dog training classes held in Virginia. | Mobile: 0427 034 874 Email: elisabethbrady@yahoo.com |

Southern Suburbs & Southern Fleurieu Peninsula

| Organisation and/or Contact Person | Qualifications & Services | Contact Details |
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| Beachwood Dog School Kerrie Gerrits | CAP 1 & 2 Puppy pre-school & pet dog training classes in Aldinga Beach. | Mobile: 0407 390 242 Email: beachwooddogschool@yahoo.com.au Web: www.beachwooddogschool.com |
| dogs etc Kate Lloyd | CAP 1 & 2 Private consultations and training in O'Sullivan Beach and southern suburbs | Mobile: 0404 464 793 Email: kate@dogsetc.com.au Web: www.dogsetc.com.au |
| Fleurieu Education for Dogs And Owners Diane Oakley | Certificate IV in Companion Animal Services Puppy pre-school Paws Galore Vet Centre, Christies Beach; Pet dog training classes Nangkita, via Mt Compass. Private consultations available Northern Suburbs & Rural SA | Phone: (08) 8556 9130 Email: diana.oakley@bigpond.com |
| School for Dogs Aldinga Bay Head Instructor Colleen Johnson | Professional Canine Trainer – Accredited (PPAB), Canine Training Technician – Accredited (PPAB) Puppy pre-school & Pet dog training classes held at Symonds Reserve, Aldinga Beach. Agility courses for fun | Mobile: 0411 473 745 Email: sfdabmessage@gmail.com Web: http://www.sfdab.org.au/ |
| ScruffyPups n' GrumpyCats Pet Services Colleen Johnson | Professional Canine Trainer – Accredited (PPAB), Canine Training Technician – Accredited (PPAB) Private training available Southern Suburbs | Mobile: 0431 451 848 Email: scruffypupsngrumpycats@gmail.com |
| SuperDogs Positive Behavioural Training Sophie Rosevear & Ashwin Nathan | Certificate IV in Companion Animal Services Pet dog training classes held at O'Halloran Hill and Grange. Private consultations in Adelaide and surrounding suburbs. | Mobile: 0466 650 945 Email: info@superdogstraining.com Web: www.superdogstraining.com |
| Onlead Force Free Dog Training Paula Dickerson | Certificate IV in Companion Animal Services Walk and Train classes held at Aberfoyle Park Private consultations in Southern Suburbs | Mobile: 0409 878 334 Email: paula@onlead.com.au |

Western Suburbs

| Organisation and/or Contact Person | Qualifications & Services | Contact Details |
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| Animal Welfare League SA Mutts with Manners Aaron Gilson | Certificate IV in Companion Animal Services Pet dog training classes held at Wingfield for puppies & adult dogs. | Phone: (08) 8348 1331 Email: dogtraining@awlsa.com.au Web: www.awlsa.com.au |
| Annabel Hamilton | Karen Pryor Academy Certified Training Partner (KPA CTP) Private consultations in Adelaide and Western suburbs | Mobile: 0418 202 880 Email: annabelhamilton@hotmail.com |
| Canine Interaction Megan Molloy | Certificate IV in Dog Behavioural Training Pet dog training classes held at Croydon Park with puppy pre-school , basic & advanced dog training classes. Private consultations also available | Mobile: 0432 247 999 Email: info@canineinteraction.com.au Web: www.canineinteraction.com.au |
| Holdfast Dog Centre Megan Molloy | Certificate IV in Dog Behavioural Training Pet dog training classes held at Hove with puppy pre-school , basic, advanced, masters class & agility. Private consultations | Phone: : (08) 8377 0737 Email: info@holdfastdogcentre.com.au Web: www.holdfastdogcentre.com.au |
| Joanne Davies | Cert IV in Companion Animal Services Puppy pre-school at Semaphore Veterinary Surgery. Pet dog training classes Level 1 & 2 held on Birkenhead Reserve. Private consultations at Semaphore Veterinary Surgery. | Mobile: 0412 400 923 Email: svsdogtraining@gmail.com |
| SuperDogs Positive Behavioural Training Sophie Rosevear & Ashwin Nathan | Certificate IV in Companion Animal Services, BSc (Animal Science) Pet dog training classes held at O'Halloran Hill and Grange. Private consultations in Adelaide and surrounding suburbs | Mobile: 0466 650 945 Email: info@superdogstraining.com Web: www.superdogstraining.com |
| Taylorred Dog Training Tracey Taylor | Certificate IV in Companion Animal Services Private consultations in northern and western suburbs, Gawler & Barossa | Mobile: 0422 056 455 Email: tt79@icloud.com Web: http://www.taylorreddogtraining.com.au |

Mt Gambier

| Organisation and/or Contact Person | Qualifications & Services | Contact Details |
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| Maree Neave | Certificate IV in Dog Behavioural Training Puppy pre-school held at Blue Lake Vet Clinic, Pet dog training classes held at Scout Hall in Margaret St. Private consultations available | Mobile: 0417 892 706 Email: maree@multimetals.com.au |

Naracoorte

| Organisation and/or Contact Person | Qualifications & Services | Contact Details |
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| The Training Shed Joanne Griffiths | Karen Pryor Academy Certified Training Partner (KPA/CTP) Pet dog training classes , puppy pre-school and private consultations at Naracoorte. | Mobile: 0418 464 567 Email: joanne@thetrainingshed.com.au Web: http://www.thetrainingshed.com.au/ |

Port Lincoln

| Organisation and/or Contact Person | Qualifications & Services | Contact Details |
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| Train Humane Emma Coates | Certificate IV in Companion Animal Services, Bachelor of Science (1st Class Honours) majoring in Animal Behaviour. Pet dog training classes are held at Nelson Square, Port Lincoln on Monday and Wednesday evenings. Private consultations are also available on weekends in Port Lincoln & surrounding districts. | Mobile: 0408 895 817 Email: trainhumane@bigpond.com |

See over for Trainer qualification details

Force Free Training Qualifications

| Organisation | Qualification Acronyms |
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| Animals on Course - Registered Training Organisation, Adelaide | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cert IV CAS |
| CASI = Companion Animal Sciences Institute, James O’Heare, Canada | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dip CBST • Dip ABST |
| Delta Society Australia - Registered Training Organisation, Sydney | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cert IV CAS |
| DogNostics, USA | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DN-DTC • DN-DBCD |
| Institute of Modern Dog Trainers - membership | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IMDT |
| Karen Pryor Academy for Animal Training & Behavior, Melbourne / USA | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • KPA CTP – (KA) |
| Learning About Dogs – Kay Laurence, England | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CAP 1 • CAP 2 • CAP 3 • CAP 4 |
| PPAB: Pet Professional Accreditation Board. Not a teaching body | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CTT-A • PCT-A • PCBC-A |

See over for Veterinarians with Behavioural expertise

Veterinarians with Behavioural Expertise

Adelaide, Surrounding Suburbs, Adelaide Hills

| Veterinarian & Practice | Qualifications | Contact Details |
|---|---|--|
| Dr Elle Parker <i>Pawly Understood</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MANZCVS – Behaviour • Bachelor of Veterinary Science (Hons) • Bachelor of veterinary medicine & surgery (Hons) <p>Private Behaviour consultations also available</p> | Mobile: 0468 451 313 Email: pawlyunderstood@gmail.com Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/pawlyunderstood/ |

| Veterinarian & Practice | Qualifications | Contact Details |
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| Dr Elle Parker Dr Chalette Brown <i>Adelaide Vet</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ <i>Trinity Gardens</i> ➤ <i>Goodwood Road</i> ➤ <i>Prospect</i> ➤ <i>Stirling</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MANZCVS – Behaviour • Bachelor of Veterinary Science (Hons) • Bachelor of veterinary medicine & surgery (Hons) • Bsc DVM MANZCVS (Veterinary Behaviour) | https://adelaidevet.com.au/behaviour-consulting Tel: Goodwood Road - 8169 9755 |

Southern Suburbs

| Veterinarian & Practice | Qualifications | Contact Details |
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| Dr Tracey Henderson <i>Adelaide Veterinary Behaviour Services</i> <i>McLaren Vale</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BSc BVMS MANZCVSc (Veterinary Behaviour) | Phone: (08) 7480 0597 Email: info@avbs.net.au |

Northern Suburbs

| Organisation and/or Contact Person | Qualifications & Services | Contact Details |
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| Dr Ian McBryde <i>Salisbury Highway Veterinary Surgery</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ <i>Salisbury</i> ➤ <i>Paralowie</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BVMS, BSc - Veterinarian/Practice Owner • Keen interest in canine and feline behaviour | Phone: (08) 8258 7978 Email: info@shvs.com.au |