

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.

The purpose of this list is to advocate for and promote Force-Free training methods only. While the RSPCA South Australia is not able to officially endorse the members of this list, these trainers are required to adhere to the welfare, ethical and ongoing educational requirements outlined below in order to remain on the list.

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."

Check chains and prong collars are not promoted or used under any circumstances by trainers on this list. The use of electric collars in South Australia is prohibited.

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. They are also required to provide proof of continuing education every two years in order to keep up to date with best practice methods.

Dog trainers & behaviour consultants

Adelaide, Eastern Adelaide and surrounding suburbs

Organisation Contact Person	Qualifications Locations Contact Details	Puppy School	Dog Training Class	Private training
Angela Beaton – Dog Training Professional Services	Cert IV Companion Animal Services Consults: Adelaide & surrounding suburbs Email: angela.beaton@hotmail.com Web: Angela Beaton – Dog training			✓
Bev Clark	Cert IV Companion Animal Services Puppy school: The Parade Veterinary Clinic, Norwood Mobile: 0413 430 763	✓		
Bodil Schou- Hansen Adelaide Pet Dog Training	Cert IV Companion Animal Services; CAP 1 & 2 Puppy school: Stephen Tce Veterinary Clinic Classes: Blackwood & Burnside Consults: Adelaide & surrounding suburbs Phone: (08) 8272 0018 Mobile: 0409 991 530 Email: bodil@petdogtraining.com.au Web: http://www.petdogtraining.com.au/	✓	✓	✓
Felice Case Puppy Partners	Cert IV Companion Animal Services; Dip CBST; Cert IV Veterinary Nursing Puppy school: Salisbury Highway Vet Surgery, St Bernards Road Vet Clinic; Puppy Partners Ridgehaven Consults: Ridgehaven; Adelaide & surrounding suburbs Mobile: 0408 089 555 Email: PuppyPartners@outlook.com Web: www.PuppyPartners.com.au	✓		✓
Fiona De Rosa Balancing Act Adelaide	Currently unavailable due to PhD studies Dip. CBST Mobile: 0431 863 357 Email: fiona@balancingactadelaide.com.au Web: http://www.balancingactadelaide.com.au/			
Kate Denman Dog Knows	Cert IV Companion Animal Services; PCT-A (PPAB); CTT-A (PPAB); KPA-CTP; DN-DBCD Puppy School: St Bernards Rd Veterinary Clinic Consults: Adelaide & surrounding suburbs Mobile: 0414 446 878 Email: woof@dogknows.com.au Web: www.dogknows.com.au	✓		✓
Petra Edwards Animal behaviour consultant	Currently unavailable short term PCT-A (PPAB); CAP 1 & 2; PhD (Dog welfare/ behaviour); BSc. (Animal Behaviour) (Hons) Email: petra@petraedwards.com Web: www.petraedwards.com			
Petra Edwards (Head Instructor) Canine Behavioural School (Inc)	Instructors with various qualifications: Cert IV Companion Animal Services; PCT-A (PPAB); CTA-A (PPAB); KPA-CTP; BSc. (Animal Behaviour) Classes: Felixstow Mobile: 0481 395 337 Email: info@caninebehaviouralschool.com.au Web: http://www.caninebehaviouralschool.com.au/ (Online bookings essential)		✓	

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Sharon Milne	Cert IV Companion Animal Services Consults: Adelaide & surrounding suburbs Mobile 0400 447 675			✓
Susanne Eckert	Cert IV Companion Animal Services Puppy school: Payneham Vet Centre, Walkerville Vet Surgery, Stephens Tce Vet Clinic Consults: Adelaide & surrounding suburbs Mobile: 0412 500 661 Email: jeneck@esc.net.au	✓		✓

Adelaide Hills and Murray Bridge

Organisation Contact Person	Qualifications Locations Contact Details	Puppy School	Dog Training Class	Private training
Janelle Irvin Scholars in Collars	Cert IV Companion Animal Services; KPA-CTP; MDI CPDT Puppy Playgroup: Balhannah Classes & Workshops: Balhannah & Mount Barker Consults: Adelaide Hills, East & North Eastern suburbs Mobile: 0400 205 667 Email: janelle@scholarsincollars.com.au Web: www.scholarsincollars.com.au	✓	✓	✓
Jess Dunduk Family Pet Education	KPA-CTP Consults: Adelaide, North East Adelaide and Adelaide Hills Mobile: 0403 145 909 Email: jess.dunduk@yahoo.com.au Web: https://familypeteducation.com.au/			✓
Lena Logan Paws and Reward	PCT-A (PPAB); BSc. (Animal Behaviour & Welfare)(Hons) Puppy school: Blackwood Classes: Blackwood Consults: Adelaide hills, Adelaide & Southern suburbs Mobile: 0432 885 874 Email: pawsandrewardaustralia@gmail.com Web: Paws and Reward Australia	✓	✓	✓

Western suburbs

Organisation Contact Person	Qualifications Locations Contact Details	Puppy School	Dog Training Class	Private training
Anna Gigliotti-Skret Forward Thinking Dog Training	KPA-CTP Consults: Adelaide, West & surrounding suburbs Phone: 0491 757 837 Email: anna@forwardthinkingdogtraining.com.au Web: www.forwardthinkingdogtraining.com.au			✓
Annabel Hamilton	KPA-CTP Consults: Adelaide & Western Suburbs Mobile: 0418 202 880 Email: annabelhamilton@hotmail.com			✓
Joanne Davies	Cert IV Companion Animal Services Puppy School: Semaphore Vet Surgery Classes: Semaphore Consults: Semaphore Vet Surgery Mobile: 0412 400 923 Email: svsdogtraining@gmail.com	✓	✓	✓
Kimberley Nicolle Pawly Understood	Cert IV Companion Animal Services Puppy School: Westbourne Park Consults: Westbourne Park, Adelaide & surrounding suburbs Mobile: 0468 451 313 Email: pawlyunderstood@gmail.com Web: http://www.pawlyunderstood.com/			✓
Megan Molloy Canine Interaction	Cert IV Dog Behavioural Training Puppy school: Croydon Park Classes: Croydon Park Consults: West & surrounding suburbs Mobile: 0432 247 999 Email: info@canineinteraction.com.au Web: www.canineinteraction.com.au	✓	✓	✓
Megan Molloy Holdfast Dog Centre	Cert IV Dog Behavioural Training Puppy school: Hove Classes: Hove Consults: West, South & surrounding suburbs Phone: (08) 8377 0737 Email: info@holdfastdogcentre.com.au Web: www.holdfastdogcentre.com.au	✓	✓	✓
Tracey Taylor Taylored Dog Training	Cert IV Companion Animal Services; BSc (Animal Behaviour) (Hons) Consults: Western suburbs, northern suburbs, Gawler & Barossa Mobile: 0422 056 455 Email: tt79@icloud.com Web: www.tayloreddogtraining.com.au			✓

Southern Suburbs & Southern Fleurieu Peninsula

Organisation Contact Person	Qualifications Locations Contact Details	Puppy School	Dog Training Class	Private training
Paula Dickerson Onlead Force Free Dog Training	Cert IV Companion Animal Services Classes: Aberfoyle Park Consults: Southern suburbs Mobile: 0409 878 334 Email: paula@onlead.com.au		✓	✓

Northern Suburbs & Rural SA

Organisation Contact Person	Qualifications Locations Contact Details	Puppy School	Dog Training Class	Private training
Laura Brady Paws for Thought Dog Training	Cert IV Companion Animal Services Classes: Northern suburbs & surrounding suburbs Mobile: 0417 417 058 Email: laura_brady_au@hotmail.com			✓
Sara Martin Positively Pawsome Training Solutions	Cert IV Companion Animal Services Classes: Nuriootpa Consults: Barossa Valley & surrounding suburbs (& Online) Mobile: 0437 795 520 Email: smartin@internode.on.net Web: https://positivelypawsome.com.au/		✓	✓
Sharon Hobbs Barking Up the Right Tree	Cert IV Companion Animal Services Consults: Northern suburbs Mobile: 0468 780 438 Email: sharon@righttreedogtraining.com.au			✓
Tracey Taylor Sonia Van De Kamp Gawler Animal Hospital	Cert IV Companion Animal Services Puppy School & consults: Gawler Animal Hospital Phone: (08) 8522 3500 Email: reception@gawlervets.com.au Web: https://www.gawlervets.com.au/services/	✓		✓

Mt Gambier

Organisation Contact Person	Qualifications Locations Contact Details	Puppy School	Dog Training Class	Private training
Maree Neave	Cert IV Dog Behavioural Training Puppy School: Blue Lake Vet Clinic Consults: Mt Gambier Mobile: 0417 892 706 Email: ptforyourpooch@gmail.com			✓

Veterinarians with Behavioural Expertise

Organisation Contact Person	Qualifications Locations Contact Details	Practice Services
Dr. Elle Parker Adelaide Vet	MANZCVS (Veterinary Behaviour); BSc BVMS (Hons) Mobile: (08) 8169 9755 Location: Westbourne Park, Trinity Gardens, Prospect & Stirling Web: https://adelaidevet.com.au/behaviour-consulting	General Practice Behaviour consultations
Dr. Elle Parker Pawly Understood	MANZCVS (Veterinary Behaviour); BSc BVMS (Hons) Mobile: 0468 451 313 Location: Westbourne Park Email: pawlyunderstood@gmail.com Web: www.pawlyunderstood.com	Behaviour consultations
Dr. Ian McBryde Salisbury Highway Vet Surgery	BSc BVMS (Hons) Mobile: (08) 8258 7978 Location: Salisbury & Paralowie Email: info@shvs.com.au Web: http://www.shvs.com.au/	General practice Behaviour consultations

Force Free Certification Abbreviations:

Acronym	Certificate Name	Organisation
Cert IV Companion Animal Services	Certificate IV Companion Animal Services	Animals On Course (RTO – Adelaide); Delta Society Australia (RTO- Sydney)
Cert IV Behavioural Dog Training	Certificate IV Behavioural Dog Training (obsolete) - now replaced by Cert IV Companion Animal Services	Delta Society Australia (RTO- Sydney)
Dip CBST; Dip ABST	Diploma Canine Behaviour Science and Technology; Diploma Animal Behaviour Science and Technology	Companion Animal Sciences Institute (Canada)
PCT-A; CTT-A	Professional Canine Trainer – Accredited; Canine Training Technician - Accredited	Pet Professional Accreditation Board
KPA-CTP	Karen Pryor Academy – Certified Training Partner	Karen Pryor Academy, AUS/ USA
DN – DTC; DN DBCD	DogNostics – Dog Trainer Certificate; DogNostics – Dog Behaviour Consultant Diploma	DogNostics, USA
CAP 1 & 2	Competency Assessment Programme Level 1 & Level 2 (Clicker training)	Learning about Dogs, England