

Choosing A Pet Dog Trainer

Choosing a qualified trainer for your dog is of the utmost importance. A wrong choice can cause permanent and undesired behavioral issues for your pet. This list is not an endorsement of any trainer, rather is provided as a convenient resource to aid in your investigation and choice.

Unless otherwise noted, trainers listed here are Certified Pet Dog Trainers (CPDT) as qualified by the Certification Council for Pet Dog Trainers (CCPDT). See <http://www.ccpdt.com>

The mission statement as published on the Certification Council for Pet Dog Trainers web site is as follows:

The CCPDT is an international testing and certification program for professional pet dog trainers.

The CCPDT's certification program is based on humane training practices and the latest scientific knowledge related to dog training. Competence and continued growth in training practices is promoted through the recertification of qualified professionals.

Why Choose a Certified Pet Dog Trainer?

You care about your dog. You want a positive experience for both you and your four-footed friend. Whether you are looking for a training class or private training, you are looking for a high-quality, safe, and effective training experience.

When you choose a Certified Pet Dog Trainer, you can be confident that you are working with a professional who has the knowledge and expertise to make your investment in dog training safe, effective, and even fun! Certified Pet Dog Trainers have dog training skills as well as instructor skills to enhance the experience and success for you and your pet dog.

Certified Pet Dog Trainers have earned this credential by demonstrating their knowledge and experience in dog training. A Certified Pet Dog Trainer stays informed of current knowledge in the field and is familiar with the latest, most effective training techniques and equipment. A Certified Pet Dog Trainer adheres to a strict Code of Ethics.

The Certification Council for Pet Dog Trainers is committed to maintaining rigorous testing and recertification systems to provide dog owners with information to help them make an informed choice when selecting a dog trainer.

So the next time you need a dog trainer, look for a professional with the Certified Pet Dog Trainer credential. Your dog will thank you!

Additional trainers are listed on the Association of Pet Dog Trainer's web site: <http://www.apdt.com/po/ts/us.asp>

The mission statement of the Association of Pet Dog Trainers is as follows:

The Association of Pet Dog Trainers (APDT) is a professional organization of individual trainers who are committed to becoming better trainers through education.

Disclaimer as quoted from the APDT web site: The Association of Pet Dog Trainers neither endorses or recommends any of the trainers listed. It is the responsibility of the pet owner to interview and research the trainers.

*From sources other than CPDT certification list as posted to the CCPDT web site.

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OBEDIENCE TRAINERS

| Trainer | Phone | Email/Web Address | Notes |
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| MANY BAY AREA LOCATIONS | | | |
| Sirus Dog Training* (See web site for locations) | | http://www.siriuspup.com | SIRIUS emphasized the importance of teaching bite inhibition, early socialization, temperament training, and simple solutions for common and predictable behavior problems, as well as basic household manners. Moreover, SIRIUS champions user-friendly and dog-friendly dog training specifically, that training should be as enjoyable for dogs as it is for owners, and that training should only involve quick, easy, and effective methods that are within the capabilities of all family members, especially including children. |
| Shannon Cummings* (All Bay Area including SF, East Bay and Peninsula) | (650) 697-6178 | thinkingdog@aol.com | Shannon Cummings, SFSPCA In House Academy 1999-Honors Shannon offers private in-home consultations and training walks. She works with puppies and adult dogs on basic obedience and in-home manners. She works with dogs who don't like to share their toys and some dog-dog aggression. Using fun and easy training methods, she will help you discover the potential of your dog and show you how to train just about anything. |
| Mollie K. Harris* (SF, North Bay, Easy Bay, Peninsula, South Bay) | (415) 661-7750 | chilipepperdogtraining@comcast.net http://www.chilipepperdogtraining.com | Mollie K. Harris, CTC, Winter 2001 – Honors Specializes in small dogs and rude, mouthy dogs. Dog do what works! Whether you need help with obedience, manners, house-training, clicker training, fear or aggression we can work together to solve your difficulties as well as improve the bond between you and your pup. Specialized in work with small dogs and rude, jumpy adolescents. |
| Paul Klein* | (510) 658-8858 (Group Classes) (510) 504-4587 (Private Consult) | runningpups@yahoo.com | Paul Klein, CC, Winter 2002– Honors Will travel for deaf dogs. (substantial experience in training deaf dogs) Individual and group instruction in obedience and temperament training for puppy, adolescent and adult dogs. Basic doggie manners, house and crate training, chewing problems, mouthing, jumping, digging, barking, and walking nicely on leash. Separation anxiety, fear, dog aggression, dog park manners and recall. |
| Liz Berg* (East Bay, SF, North Bay, Peninsula, South Bay) | (925) 459-2949 | liz@artistpro.com | Li8z Berg, SF.SPCA In-House Academy 1999 Group classes in basic obedience, manners as well as private counseling for behavior issues. Will work with handlers of all ages. |
| Elissa Cline* (Oakland and surrounding areas) | (510) 289-1977 | elissa@myhollar.com http://www.myhollar.com/dogtraining | Elissa Cline, CTC, August 2004, STAC: Stranger Aggression and Social Fear, September 2005 – Honors STAC: Dog-Dog Aggression, January 2006 – Honors Private in-home training and group classes. Private services include: city manners, obedience, agility housetraining, puppy, adolescent problems, adoption dog, aggression fearfulness and phobias. Group offerings include: basic obedience, FOCUS (a pre-basic for out-of-control dogs), tricks, agility, puppy, clicker, and intermediate obedience. |
| Tammy McCormic Donaldson* (Vallejo, Benicia, Napa, North Bay) | (707) 649-0955 | tmccor@vetmed.wsu.edu | Tammy McCormic Donaldson, CC, Fall 2003, SF/SPCA Dog Aggression Internship Certificate Offers a wide variety of services for your pet by a Certified Associate Applied Animal Behaviorist (CAAB) through the Animal Behavior Society. Tammy has a MS degree and is a PHD candidate in Ethology (animal Behavior). She offers pet sitting in your home, and behavior consultations. |
| Barbara Dwyer (East Bay, North Bay, Central Valley) | (925) 672-3980 | seespotstay@pacbell.net | Barbara Dwyer CTC, Fall 2003, CPDT, SF/SPCA Dog Aggression Internship Certificate Counceling and trainingin dog aggression, resource guarding, separation anxiety, fearfulness, shyness, socialization, stimulation, handling and proximity issues, good manners, housetraining, obedience and confirmtion handling skills. |
| Sydney Nishiyama* (Alameda, San Leandro, Berkeley, Oakland, East Bay) | (510) 865-1097 | regardingdogs@sbcglobal.net | Sydney Nishiyama CTC, Fall 2003 Private in-home consultations for basic obedience, manners and behavior issues for puppies and adult dogs. |

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| Parish Burns* (SF, Peninsula) | (415) 269-5498 | parish@caninesavvy.com http://www.caninesavvy.com | Parish Burns, CTC Fall 2001 Obedience and Behavior issues other than Separation Anxiety |
| Diane Foster* (Peninsula, East Bay to Dublin, South Bay to San Jose--Area Codes 650, 510, 408) | (650) 610-9616 | diana@rocketrecall.com http://www.rocketrecall.com | Diane Foster, CTC, Fall 2002 – Honors Private behavior training, consultations, obedience, and trick training. Preparation for competitive dog sports like flyball and agility. Experienced with many behavior problems, especially barking and housetraining. Specializes in high-drive dogs and small dogs. SPDT member. Flyball classes available for prepaid packages. |
| Cerena West Zutis* (Peninsula, SF, South Bay, East Bay) | (650) 574-9246 | goodgooddog@peoplepc.com | Cerena West Zutis, CC, Spring 2000 Professional trainer for 14 years. Canine Good Citizen Evaluator, Participant in pet-assisted therapy, competitive obedience, tracking, Schutzhund and search and rescue. In-home sessions for fear of people/dogs, thunderstorms/pther phobias, aggression towards strangers, children, dogs, cats, etc. Guarding self, food, territory and other resources. Compulsive behaviors, destruction of property, house soiling, barking and running away. Group classes for puppies, all obedience levels, CGC, tricks, tracking and real world class. |
| Gretchen Foster (South Bay, Peninsula, Fremont, Milpitas) | (408) 242-7142 | gretchen@give-a-dog-a-bone.com http://www.give-a-dog-a-bone.com | Gretchen Foster, CPDT, CTC, graduated from the San Francisco SPCA Academy of Dog Trainers with honors. She holds both a Certificate in Training and Counseling and a Behavior and Training Certificate from the SF SPCA Academy. In September of 2003, Gretchen earned further honors by earning the title of Certified Pet Dog Trainer through the Association of Pet Dog Trainers. Experience with deaf dogs. I'm purely a clicker trainer and I'm a CPDT. I work with clients on obedience as well as conformation. I can also teach clients how to use toys to motivate their dogs and teach them crate training. With my own dogs I am working on Agility, Rally and CGC skills with my Bulldog. The Bulldog was close to competing in Agility and then she got injured, so we plan to work her back up slowly. My other two dogs are also getting trained in these skills but for fun opposed for competition. I also used to show both my Bulldog and my Briard in conformation a very short time. |
| Daphne Robert-Hamilton (South Bay, 40 mile radius from Morgan Hill) | (408) 857-2468 | k9partnership@yahoo.com http://www.k9partnership.com | About Daphne Robert-Hamilton, CPDT, CTC, CDA K-9 Partnership is owned by Daphne attended the San Francisco SPCA's Academy for Dog Trainers and obtained her Certificate in Training and Behavior Counseling and then attend their 280 hour internship program specializing in dog aggression. She obtained honors for her Certificate in Dog Aggression. Daphne is pursuing certification from the International Association of Animal Behavior Counselors and is currently an Associate Member. She competed extensively with her two Doberman Pinschers in obedience (achieved Top 20 Obedience with both dogs within the Doberman Pinscher Club of America), they also competed in flyball, show conformation and dabbled in agility. Daphne has four telecourses geared for animal professionals at: Raising Canine Topics: Aggression, Same Sex Conflicts, Sibling Rivalry, Developing Trainer Skills----for more information visit: http://www.k9partnership.com/About.html |
| APTOS | | | |
| Jane Devlin | (831) 469-6442 | wilddogs2@earthlink.net | |
| Lori Katz | (831) 588-4583 | lorikatz@aol.com http://www.dogtrainnow.com | |

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| BELMONT | | | |
| Erin Poole* | (650) 799-0539 | email via the Just Tails web site http://www.justtails.com | Just Tails is focused on enriching the bonds between people and their pets through effective training. Founder and trainer Erin Poole, earned a Certificate in Training and Counseling (CTC) from the renowned San Francisco SPCA Academy for Dog Trainers. Later, Erin completed a specialized, behavior and training internship at the SF/SPCA. Located in Belmont, CA, we serve the communities of San Francisco, San Mateo County, Santa Clara County and the greater Bay Area. |
| BERKELEY | | | |
| Greta L. Kaplan | (510) 207-0733 | gongora@mindspring.com | |
| Leanne Neufeld | (510) 387-3875 | dogandcatlovers@hotmail.com | |
| Shayna Stanis | (510) 841-9197 | ssanis@eastbayspca.org | |
| Sandi Thompson | (510) 654-2540 | dirthairy@earthlink.net | |
| Kelly Gorman* | | kellyg@openpaw.org http://www.openpaw.org http://www.siriuspup.com | Kelly Gorman is the Director of Sirius Puppy Training and President of Open Paw. |
| BURLINGAME | | | |
| Maria Eugerin* | | meguren@peninsulahanumanesociety.org www.phs-sPCA.org | Maria Eugerin is an animal behavior consultant, biologist and researcher with an advanced degree in biology, specialization in Animal Morphology and Systematic/Animal Behavior |
| CARMEL | | | |
| Andee Burleigh | (831) 214-4163 | divinek9@sbcglobal.net | |
| CONCORD | | | |
| Rachelle Carzino | (925) 676-2154 | dalmanic@aol.com | |
| Karen Oliver | (925) 682-5570 | koliver@astound.net | |
| CUPERTINO | | | |
| Pat Rohde | (650) 364-3706 | no email address | Pat brings 34 years of experience to her training offerings. Classes are directed towards pet or competition results. Pet orientated obedience classes are available from beginning through advance levels. Competition obedience classes are available through Utility. Other offerings include puppy socialization and Rally training. Classes are held in Redwood City, Cupertino and Sunnyvale. Indoor training facilities are available so classes are not interrupted by inclement weather. Pat participates in agility, obedience and confirmation with Flat Coat Retrievers and Fox Terriers . |
| EVERGREEN (SAN JOSE) | | | |
| Stacy Braslau-Schneck | (408) 286-3889 | stacy@wagntain.com http://www.wagntain.com/index.htm | Location close to Morgan Hill, San Martin, Salinas, Gilroy, and other South County cities, and easily accessed from the freeway from Fremont, Livermore, and Pleasanton. Stacy Braslau-Schneck, CPDT CAP2 Offering fresh starts for dogs, new and old! Stacy's Wag'N'Train offers in-home private lessons and in-home personal training so you know that our expert trainer is working one-on-one with you and your dog. We also offer group classes with SMALL class sizes and caring, educated, experienced instructors. A reliable recall workshop is available in a safe enclosed area (reliable recalls are a must for agility dogs) -See http://www.wagntain.com/Classes.htm#Desc for class descriptions. |

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| FREMONT | | | |
| Wendy Krehbiel | (510) 299-1665 | wendy@telltatail.com www.telltatail.com | <p>Wendy Krehbiel is the owner of Tell a Tail Dog Training and offers both group classes as well as private in-home sessions in Fremont, Pleasanton, Livermore and surrounding areas.</p> <p>Wendy recently became a Certified Pet Dog Trainer through the Certification Council for Pet Dog Trainers. She also graduated from the San Francisco SPCA Academy for Dog Trainers, known as the "Harvard of dog training schools." She received a Certificate in Training and Counseling and graduated with honors as co-valedictorian of her class. Wendy was the first person in California to earn a level 1 CAP certification through Kay Laurence's Competency Assessment Program for clicker trainers. Wendy also continues to further her education by attending seminars, conferences and workshops by a wide variety of trainers including Karen Pryor, Jean Donaldson, Pamela Reid, Trish King, Sue Sternberg, and Greg Derrett.</p> <p>In addition to giving group and private lessons, Wendy worked as a trainer at Downtown Dogs, a doggie daycare located in San Jose. She also teaches agility for fun classes with Stacy's Wag'N'Train and for the City of Pleasanton.</p> <p>Wendy can help you learn how to communicate with your dog and build a wonderful relationship. By using positive training methods she will show you how to create a strong bond with your dog and help him to learn how to be a better mannered part of your family. Whether you have a young puppy who needs to learn some manners, a mature dog who needs to brush up on his obedience or a dog with behavior problems that need addressed, we can help you solve your problems.</p> <p>Wendy is a volunteer with Norcal Golden Retriever Rescue and Furry Friends Rescue – she helps out in a variety of ways including as a foster mom. She loves taking on dogs who are not ready for adoption and helping them to overcome issues before sending them on to loving homes. She is also a member of the Association of Pet Dog Trainers and adheres to the association's code of ethics.</p> |
| FOSTER CITY | | | |
| Linda Decelles | (650) 619-3011 | phdog@comcast.net | |
| GILROY | | | |
| Daphne Robert-Hamilton | (408) 857-2468 | k9partnership@yahoo.com http://www.k9partnership.com | <p>About Daphne Robert-Hamilton, CPDT, CTC, CDA</p> <p>K-9 Partnership is owned by Daphne attended the San Francisco SPCA's Academy for Dog Trainers and obtained her Certificate in Training and Behavior Counseling and then attend their 280 hour internship program specializing in dog aggression. She obtained honors for her Certificate in Dog Aggression. Daphne is pursuing certification from the International Association of Animal Behavior Counselors and is currently an Associate Member. She competed extensively with her two Doberman Pinschers in obedience (achieved Top 20 Obedience with both dogs within the Doberman Pinscher Club of America), they also competed in flyball, show conformation and dabbled in agility. Daphne has four telecourses geared for animal professionals at: Raising Canine Topics: Aggression, Same Sex Conflicts, Sibling Rivalry, Developing Trainer Skills----for more information visit: http://www.k9partnership.com/About.html</p> |
| HAYWARD | | | |
| Lisa Clifton-Bumpass | (510) 732-7877 | pawsitivedogs@comcast.net | |

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| LIVERMORE | | | |
| Wendy Krehbiel | (510) 299-1665 | wendy@telltatail.com http://www.telltatail.com | <p>Wendy Krehbiel, CTC, October 2003 – Honors, APDT #064135, CPDT Certified, Canine First Aid and CPR Certified</p> <p>Wendy Krehbiel is the owner of Tell a Tail Dog Training and offers both group classes as well as private in-home sessions in Fremont, Pleasanton, Livermore and surrounding areas.</p> <p>Wendy recently became a Certified Pet Dog Trainer through the Certification Council for Pet Dog Trainers. She also graduated from the San Francisco SPCA Academy for Dog Trainers, known as the "Harvard of dog training schools." She received a Certificate in Training and Counseling and graduated with honors as co-valedictorian of her class. Wendy was the first person in California to earn a level 1 CAP certification through Kay Laurence's Competency Assessment Program for clicker trainers. Wendy also continues to further her education by attending seminars, conferences and workshops by a wide variety of trainers including Karen Pryor, Jean Donaldson, Pamela Reid, Trish King, Sue Sternberg, and Greg Derrett.</p> <p>In addition to giving group and private lessons, Wendy worked as a trainer at Downtown Dogs, a doggie daycare located in San Jose. She also teaches agility for fun classes with Stacy's Wag'N'Train and for the City of Pleasanton.</p> <p>Wendy can help you learn how to communicate with your dog and build a wonderful relationship. By using positive training methods she will show you how to create a strong bond with your dog and help him to learn how to be a better mannered part of your family. Whether you have a young puppy who needs to learn some manners, a mature dog who needs to brush up on his obedience or a dog with behavior problems that need addressed, we can help you solve your problems.</p> <p>Wendy is a volunteer with Norcal Golden Retriever Rescue and Furry Friends Rescue – she helps out in a variety of ways including as a foster mom. She loves taking on dogs who are not ready for adoption and helping them to overcome issues before sending them on to loving homes. She is also a member of the Association of Pet Dog Trainers and adheres to the association's code of ethics.</p> |
| LOS GATOS | | | |
| Nancy Weller | (408) 861-0496 | nweller@pacbell.net | <p>Nancy Weller earned her Certified Pet Dog Trainer (CPDT) designation in September, 2002. The CPDT is the first internationally recognized accreditation for dog trainers. She passed an extensive exam to become one of the first trainers in the world to have earned this title.</p> <p>Nancy received her Certificate in Training and Counseling (CTC), with honors, from the San Francisco SPCA Academy for Dog Trainers in 2000. The Academy provides a comprehensive and cutting-edge education for dog trainers, behavior counselors, and other companion dog professionals. Animal learning and motivation, dog behavior, behavior problems, aggression, clicker training, obedience progressions, and class structure are but a few of the subjects studied. The Academy has gained a reputation as the "Harvard for Dog Trainers."</p> <p>Nancy is a professional member of the Association of Pet Dog Trainers (APDT), the largest organization of its kind in the world. Founded in 1993 by Dr. Ian Dunbar, the APDT is a professional organization of individuals who are committed to becoming better trainers through education.</p> <p>Nancy currently teaches classes for SIRIUS in Los Gatos and Sunnyvale, and was SIRIUS "Puppy Trainer of the Year" in 2003. Through her company, Pawsitively Fabulous! Canine Consulting, she offers a variety of in-home training which includes: Puppy Jump Starts, for owners who are waiting for their classes to start; pre-puppy counseling, to help prepare owners-to-be; basic & advanced manners/obedience; tricks; clicker training for show dogs; etc. She has worked as a volunteer with the Humane Society of Silicon Valley, training the dog socializers and has also fostered numerous shelter puppies. She also participates with her husband and two Delta Society-certified dogs providing pet-assisted therapy services.</p> |

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| LOS GATOS | | | |
| Cecilia Saleme | (408) 656-4386 (408) 353-4496 | csaleme@earthlink.net or dogtopia@earthlink.net http://www.dogtopiaUSA.com and http://www.kidsanddogs.org/ | Offerings: Private behavior counseling and training/coaching, specializing in family integration and child-dog safety; training/coaching for dog sports including Flyball, Rally and Obedience. Cecilia also teaches and assists at agility classes (Jumpin' Java Agility) in Woodside. Obedience classes from beginning to advanced levels are offered via a local pet store in Campbell. A certified AKC CGC (Canine Good Citizen) examiner, she also offers CGC preparation courses and testing. |
| MARTINEZ | | | |
| Keri Llyall | (925) 250-2927 | keri.lyall@ahmsecurity.com | |
| MENLO PARK | | | |
| Erica Feuerbacher | (510) 541-1092 | somethingbacher@yahoo.com | |
| MODESTO | | | |
| Erin Cross | (209) 523-3138 | erinandnellie@msn.com | |
| Lisa Moore | (209) 523-3138 | imtopnotch@aol.com | |
| Donna Soberstrom | (209) 524-8389 | patagon79@earthlink.net | |
| MORGAN HILL | | | |
| Daphne Robert-Hamilton | (408) 857-2468 | k9partnership@yahoo.com http://www.k9partnership.com | About Daphne Robert-Hamilton, CPDT, CTC, CDA K-9 Partnership is owned by Daphne attended the San Francisco SPCA's Academy for Dog Trainers and obtained her Certificate in Training and Behavior Counseling and then attend their 280 hour internship program specializing in dog aggression. She obtained honors for her Certificate in Dog Aggression. Daphne is pursuing certification from the International Association of Animal Behavior Counselors and is currently an Associate Member. She competed extensively with her two Doberman Pinschers in obedience (achieved Top 20 Obedience with both dogs within the Doberman Pinscher Club of America), they also competed in flyball, show conformation and dabbled in agility. Daphne has four telecourses geared for animal professionals at: Raising Canine Topics: Aggression, Same Sex Conflicts, Sibling Rivalry, Developing Trainer Skills-----for more information visit: http://www.k9partnership.com/About.html |
| Nannette Morgan* | (408) 806-2021 | pipernano@aol.com www.trulydogfriendly.com | Purely Positive Dog Training Assoc. of Pet Dog Trainers, Professional Member #066177 (exp. 12/06) Int'l Assoc. of Animal Behavior Consultants, Inc., Assoc. Member #297 Marin Humane Society CITA, 2003/CBA II, 2005 BA Education/Foreign Languages; Teaching Credentials, SF State University "Service as fast as a speeding Siberian!" |
| MOUNTAIN VIEW | | | |
| Martina Contreras | (650) 367-6124 | martina@martinasdogs.com http://www.martinasdogs.com | |
| NAPA | | | |
| Shannon Coyner | (707) 255-6477 | shannoncoyner@yahoo.com | |
| OAKLAND | | | |
| Judity Bowman | (510) 653-5739 | no email address | |
| Kacey Cohen | (510) 569-0702 | k_laina_c@yahoo.com | |
| Amy Cook | (510) 326-8061 | amy@palisandra.com | |

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| OAKLAND | | | |
| Kelli Danielsen | (510) 332-1477 | littledogs@comcast.com | |
| Sandra Mannion | (510) 206-9037 | sandramannion@mac.com | |
| Kathryn Horn* | (510) 638-7297 | pawsandcues@comcast.net | Kathryn Horn owns Agil Paws Agility/Paws and Cues Dog Training. She provides dog agility classes and in-home training and behavior consults. |
| PACIFICA | | | |
| Mary Bones | (916) 453-2084 | cbones@shrinenet.org | |
| PALO ALTO | | | |
| Stacy Braslau-Schneck | (408) 286-3889 | stacy@wagntrain.com http://www.wagntrain.com/index.htm | <p>Location close to Mountain View, Los Altos, Castro City, Los Altos Hills, Stanford, Menlo Park, and Atherton.</p> <p>Stacy Braslau-Schneck, CPDT CAP2 Offering fresh starts for dogs, new and old!</p> <p>Stacy's Wag'N'Train offers in-home private lessons and in-home personal training so you know that our expert trainer is working one-on-one with you and your dog. We also offer group classes with SMALL class sizes and caring, educated, experienced instructors. A reliable recall workshop is available in a safe enclosed area (reliable recalls are a must for agility dogs) -See http://www.wagntrain.com/Classes.htm#Desc for class descriptions.</p> |
| PLEASANTON | | | |
| Wendy Krehbiel | (510) 299-1665 | wendy@telltatail.com www.telltatail.com | <p>Wendy Krehbiel is the owner of Tell a Tail Dog Training and offers both group classes as well as private in-home sessions in Fremont, Pleasanton, Livermore and surrounding areas.</p> <p>Wendy recently became a Certified Pet Dog Trainer through the Certification Council for Pet Dog Trainers. She also graduated from the San Francisco SPCA Academy for Dog Trainers, known as the "Harvard of dog training schools." She received a Certificate in Training and Counseling and graduated with honors as co-valedictorian of her class. Wendy was the first person in California to earn a level 1 CAP certification through Kay Laurence's Competency Assessment Program for clicker trainers. Wendy also continues to further her education by attending seminars, conferences and workshops by a wide variety of trainers including Karen Pryor, Jean Donaldson, Pamela Reid, Trish King, Sue Sternberg, and Greg Derrett.</p> <p>In addition to giving group and private lessons, Wendy worked as a trainer at Downtown Dogs, a doggie daycare located in San Jose. She also teaches agility for fun classes with Stacy's Wag'N'Train and for the City of Pleasanton.</p> <p>Wendy can help you learn how to communicate with your dog and build a wonderful relationship. By using positive training methods she will show you how to create a strong bond with your dog and help him to learn how to be a better mannered part of your family. Whether you have a young puppy who needs to learn some manners, a mature dog who needs to brush up on his obedience or a dog with behavior problems that need addressed, we can help you solve your problems.</p> <p>Wendy is a volunteer with Norcal Golden Retriever Rescue and Furry Friends Rescue - she helps out in a variety of ways including as a foster mom. She loves taking on dogs who are not ready for adoption and helping them to overcome issues before sending them on to loving homes. She is also a member of the Association of Pet Dog Trainers and adheres to the association's code of ethics.</p> |
| REDWOOD CITY | | | |
| Erin Callaghan | (650) 306-9288 | erincc@best.com | |
| Martina Contreras | (650) 367-6124 | martina@martinasdogs.com http://www.martinasdogs.com | |

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| Pia McGovern | (650) 596-9663 (650) 218-7297 | pia@k9insight.com http://www.k9insight.com | <p>Pia McGovern, CC, Winter 2002, BS; CPDT, Canine First Aide and CPR instructor.</p> <p>Extensive experience with shelter and rescued dogs. Offers discounted behavior and temperament evaluations to rescue groups and fosters. Specializes in aggression, guarding, phobias and compulsive behaviors.</p> <p>Professional trainer for 11+ years with background in Schutzhund and tracking. Offers puppy thru advanced obedience, fear and aggression management, rehabilitation, puppy socialization, AKC Canine Good Citizen classes and certification, tracking, flyball, canine first aid and CPR classes, shelter dog specialty training and counseling, shelter dog selection, tempermanent and behavior evaluations, puppy and dog selection (breed counseling), puppy aptitude testing, doggie daycare and boarding. Positive reinforcement is used in all training, including clicker training. Member of APDT, ACABC, ABS.</p> |
| Pat Rohde | (650) 364-3706 | no email address | <p>Pat brings 34 years of experience to her training offerings. Classes are directed towards pet or competition results. Pet orientated obedience classes are available from beginning through advance levels. Competition obedience classes are available through Utility. Other offerings include puppy socialization and Rally training.</p> <p>Classes are held in Redwood City, Cupertino and Sunnyvale. Indoor training facilities are available so classes are not interrupted by inclement weather.</p> <p>Pat participates in agility, obedience and confirmation with Flat Coat Retrievers and Fox Terriers .</p> |
| RICHMOND | | | |
| Gail Green | (510) 215-8258 | berrygrovecabc@yahoo.com | |
| SACRAMENTO | | | |
| Maggie Barker | (916) 441-4107 | amaggiebarker@hotmail.com | |
| Val Masters | (916) 801-2061 | jimmythebimmy@yahoo.com | |
| Heather Daniell Hull* | | heatherp@lanset.com http://www.4pawsu.com | Heather Hull is a dog trainer with 4 Paws University. |
| SALINAS | | | |
| Lisa Giesick | (831) 373-2631 | lgiesick@spscamc.org | |
| SAN FRANCISCO | | | |
| Donna Duford* | | k9dancer@aol.com | Dona Duford is the Director of Behavior and Training for San Francisco Animal Care and Control. She also has a private practice |
| Shannon Cummings* | (650) 697-6178 | thinkingdog@aol.com | <p>Shannon Cummings, SFSPCA In House Academy 1999–Honors</p> <p>Shannon offers private in–home consultations and training walks. She works with puppies and adult dogs on basic obedience and in-home manners. She works with dogs who don't like to share their toys and some dog-dog aggression. Using fun and easy training mehtods, she will help you discover the potential of your dog and show you how to train just about anything.</p> |
| Kim Moeller* | (415) 554-3074 | kmoe94044@aol.com http://moellerdog.com | <p>Kim Moeller SF/SPCA In-House Academy 1999</p> <p>Dog-dog aggression, leash aggression, social skills can be developed or polished. Kim specializes in dog-dog interactions on or off leash.</p> |
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| Dawna Caldwell | (800) 436-4443 | info@happytailstoyouogtraining.com | |
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| Amanda Book | (408) 226-4650 | signups4@yahoo.com | <p>Mandy Book has been an instructor and author for over 19 years.</p> <p>In 1989, she started her own successful training company, Oz Training, which she owned and operated for 10 years. She sold Oz to SIRIUS Puppy Training in 1999 and continues to teach for SIRIUS as well as offering private training to clients. She is co-author of the highly successful book Quick Clicks and writes frequently for Clean Run, a monthly magazine for agility competitors.</p> <p>She specializes in clicker training in both group classes and her private practice. She has just completed an introductory DVD on clicker training for Humane Society Silicon Valley. In 2004 she became a Certified Pet Dog Trainer, one of only 500 in the US. Her work with the Humane Society of Silicon Valley, Canine Companions for Independence, and in media work with dogs has given her experience with a wide range of temperaments and learning rates in both dogs and people. She currently competes in agility, and does pet visitations in classrooms and at local senior care facilities with her three dogs.</p> <p>Mandy is an experienced agility competitor and active member of Bay Team Agility</p> |
| Stacy Braslau-Schneck | (408) 286-3889 | stacy@wagnttrain.com http://www.wagnttrain.com/index.htm | <p>Location close to Santa Clara, Sunnyvale, Saratoga and Mountain View, and easy access from Los Altos, Palo Alto, and the Peninsula.</p> <p>Stacy Braslau-Schneck, CPDT CAP2 Offering fresh starts for dogs, new and old!</p> <p>Stacy's Wag'N'Train offers in-home private lessons and in-home personal training so you know that our expert trainer is working one-on-one with you and your dog. We also offer group classes with SMALL class sizes and caring, educated, experienced instructors. A reliable recall workshop is available in a safe enclosed area (reliable recalls are a must for agility dogs) -See http://www.wagnttrain.com/Classes.htm#Desc for class descriptions.</p> |
| Gretchen Foster | (408) 242-7142 | gretchen@give-a-dog-a-bone.com http://www.give-a-dog-a-bone.com | <p>Gretchen Foster, CPDT, CTC, graduated from the San Francisco SPCA Academy of Dog Trainers with honors. She holds both a Certificate in Training and Counseling and a Behavior and Training Certificate from the SF SPCA Academy. In September of 2003, Gretchen earned further honors by earning the title of Certified Pet Dog Trainer through the Association of Pet Dog Trainers.</p> <p>Experience with deaf dogs.</p> <p>I'm purely a clicker trainer and I'm a CPDT. I work with clients on obedience as well as conformation. I can also teach clients how to use toys to motivate their dogs and teach them crate training.</p> <p>With my own dogs I am working on Agility, Rally and CGC skills with my Bulldog. The Bulldog was close to competing in Agility and then she got injured, so we plan to work her back up slowly. My other two dogs are also getting trained in these skills but for fun opposed for competition. I also used to show both my Bulldog and my Briard in conformation a very short time.</p> |
| SAN MARTIN | | | |
| Daphne Robert-Hamilton | (408) 857-2468 | k9partnership@yahoo.com http://www.k9partnership.com | <p>About Daphne Robert-Hamilton, CPDT, CTC, CDA</p> <p>K-9 Partnership is owned by Daphne attended the San Francisco SPCA's Academy for Dog Trainers and obtained her Certificate in Training and Behavior Counseling and then attend their 280 hour internship program specializing in dog aggression. She obtained honors for her Certificate in Dog Aggression. Daphne is pursuing certification from the International Association of Animal Behavior Counselors and is currently an Associate Member. She competed extensively with her two Doberman Pinschers in obedience (achieved Top 20 Obedience with both dogs within the Doberman Pinscher Club of America), they also competed in flyball, show conformation and dabbled in agility. Daphne has four telecourses geared for animal professionals at: Raising Canine Topics: Aggression, Same Sex Conflicts, Sibling Rivalry, Developing Trainer Skills-----for more information visit: http://www.k9partnership.com/About.html</p> |
| SAN MATEO | | | |
| Mary Swinyer | (650) 340-8394 | swindogs@earthlink.net | |

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| Mardi Richmond | (831) 454-0607 | rowdydog@cruzio.com | |
| SARATOGA | | | |
| Nancy Weller | (408) 861-0496 | nweller@pacbell.net | <p>Nancy Weller earned her Certified Pet Dog Trainer (CPDT) designation in September, 2002. The CPDT is the first internationally recognized accreditation for dog trainers. She passed an extensive exam to become one of the first trainers in the world to have earned this title.</p> <p>Nancy received her Certificate in Training and Counseling (CTC), with honors, from the San Francisco SPCA Academy for Dog Trainers in 2000. The Academy provides a comprehensive and cutting-edge education for dog trainers, behavior counselors, and other companion dog professionals. Animal learning and motivation, dog behavior, behavior problems, aggression, clicker training, obedience progressions, and class structure are but a few of the subjects studied. The Academy has gained a reputation as the "Harvard for Dog Trainers."</p> <p>Nancy is a professional member of the Association of Pet Dog Trainers (APDT), the largest organization of its kind in the world. Founded in 1993 by Dr. Ian Dunbar, the APDT is a professional organization of individuals who are committed to becoming better trainers through education.</p> <p>Nancy currently teaches classes for SIRIUS in Los Gatos and Sunnyvale, and was SIRIUS "Puppy Trainer of the Year" in 2003. Through her company, Pawsitively Fabulous! Canine Consulting, she offers a variety of in-home training which includes: Puppy Jump Starts, for owners who are waiting for their classes to start; pre-puppy counseling, to help prepare owners-to-be; basic & advanced manners/obedience; tricks; clicker training for show dogs; etc. She has worked as a volunteer with the Humane Society of Silicon Valley, training the dog socializers and has also fostered numerous shelter puppies. She also participates with her husband and two Delta Society-certified dogs providing pet-assisted therapy services.</p> |
| STOCKTON | | | |
| Connie Price | (209) 943-2192 | puppywhisperer60@earthlink.net | |
| SUNNYVALE | | | |
| Pat Rohde | (650) 364-3706 | no email address | <p>Pat brings 34 years of experience to her training offerings. Classes are directed towards pet or competition results. Pet orientated obedience classes are available from beginning through advance levels. Competition obedience classes are available through Utility. Other offerings include puppy socialization and Rally training.</p> <p>Classes are held in Redwood City, Cupertino and Sunnyvale. Indoor training facilities are available so classes are not interrupted by inclement weather.</p> <p>Pat participates in agility, obedience and confirmation with Flat Coat Retrievers and Fox Terriers .</p> |

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