



SUZANNE CLOTHIER – AUSTRALIA SYDNEY, NSW 3rd & 4th MARCH, 2018

Suzanne Clothier has been working with animals professionally since 1977, with a deep background of experience that includes obedience, agility, puppy testing, breeding, Search and Rescue, conformation, instructing, kennel management and canine midwifery. She is well respected for her holistic Relationship Centred Training™ approach to dogs and the people who love them.

Join us for an exciting weekend of thought provoking work with a variety of dogs. Suzanne's sense of humour and compassionate approach plus her keen observation skills make for a memorable and educational event.

While Suzanne cannot provide a magic wand or any miracle fairy dust, she can and will provide meaningful tools and ways of thinking that will help you make better decisions for yourself, your dogs and - for professionals - your clients.

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**FROM CONFUSED TO CONNECTED:
includes DRIVES BRAKES & STEERING**

Finding the paths to better dog/human relationships

It seems a simple goal: creating an enjoyable, mutually rewarding relationship with dogs. But like the proverbial brass ring, this kind of dog/human relationship can seem out of reach. No matter how many training books you read, no matter how many classes you attend, no matter which equipment and techniques you try, you find yourself still confused, even frustrated with a dog. In a forest of information, it's hard to find the path that will lead to better relationships.

This new workshop presented by Suzanne Clothier offers practical tools for finding the appropriate path to better dog/human relationships. As always, Suzanne's work focuses on keeping the relationship central, respecting the individual dog and human, and aiming for a mutually satisfying connection.

DECISIONS, DECISIONS! Suzanne will be using selected case history dogs (and their handlers!) to help attendees learn how to assess behavior, training & performance issues. While these are complex challenges to unravel, Suzanne's approach is based in simple Decision Points to guide choices for each dog and handler. Emphasis will be placed on:

- **Observation skills** - really seeing the dog and handler in detailed ways opens a world of understanding
- **The geometry of body language** - simple shape recognition deciphers critical meta-messages
- **The Elemental Questions** - questions and answers that reveal the dog as an individual
- **The Think & Learn Zone** - why arousal matters, why Goldilocks was right, and what to do about sticky dogs
- **Yes/No/Maybe So?** - Using Decision Points and flow charts
- **Transitions & Thresholds** - Tipping points and finding the balance
- **Volitional Behavior & Postures** - what your dog can tell you about his internal state

WHICH WAY TO GO? Which path is the right one for you and your dog? Suzanne's approach to assessing the challenges leads logically to which practical RCT techniques can be combined for effective, humane and satisfying results, including:

- The Auto Check-in (ACI)
- Really Real Relaxation
- Explicit Permission
- Skill Building & Thin Slices
- Effective Use of Rewards & Consequences
- Puppy Politeness Poker

Whether you are working with an advanced performance dog, a newly adopted pet or helping with clients' dogs, this seminar offers a wealth of information, practical tools and techniques to help handlers and dogs find their way to better relationships. Join us for an exciting weekend of thought provoking work with a variety of dogs. As always, Suzanne's sense of humor and compassionate approach plus her keen observation skills will make for a memorable and educational event.

DEMO DOGS NEEDED Case History demo dogs are sought for this workshop. We will be seeking a variety of issues and challenges to help all attendees learn how to assess and address challenges. Suzanne will make her selection about 10-14 days prior to the workshop.

Non-DEMO DOGS There will be very limited space for non-demo dogs. Please consider the needs of your dog when deciding whether to bring him/her. For many dogs, this will not be a comfortable setting as there will be many people and other dogs in close proximity. Please leave reactive and fearful dogs at home. Dogs must be on leash at all times, both inside and outside. Dogs may sit with their humans near the rear or edges of the room. Please bring a crate for your dog (no exceptions). If you wish to bring your dog, please let us know on the registration form.

SAR K9 SCHOLARSHIP There will be one scholarship for an operational SAR K9 handler. Eligible applicants: K-9 SAR handler belonging to an established K-9 SAR unit. Application to detail unit and experience. The Application must be on the SAR group's official letterhead. Application to be forwarded to:
jigsawdogs@bigpond.com

GENERAL INFORMATION

VENUE: George Bell Building, Castle Hill Showground, Doran Drive, Carrington Road, Castle Hill

CATERING:

Tea/Coffee/Water shall be available throughout each day Morning Tea; Lunch and Afternoon Tea provided. Vegetarian and Non-vegetarian catered.

FORMAT

- Lecture presentation by Suzanne – interactive. With video & group exercises
- Handlers with dogs **limited** to Case History submissions from which Suzanne selects dogs to work.
- Dogs attending must be crated unless working or exercising (on lead) with their handler.
- Barking dogs will have to be crated outdoors or secured in the car.
- Handlers working a dog may arrange for seminar co-participants to video sessions when they are working their dog but may not video other dogs or Suzanne lecturing.
- Hands on – interactive exercises
- Dogs must be well socialized to other dogs and people, and comfortable in an active but safe setting; no reactive, fearful or aggressive dogs please!

FEES

All seminars include: Course materials; morning tea; lunch; afternoon tea; refreshments

Registrations from 8.15am: Saturday; Sunday;

1 Day - \$225 (Please tick which day on registration form)

2 Days - \$425

Non-refundable deposit of \$225 required prior to 15th January, 2018 payment in full required by

5th February, 2018.

*****EARLY BIRD PRICE: \$390 if you pay in full prior to 15th January, 2018*****

PRIVATE LESSONS

On Monday 5th March 2018, Suzanne will conduct private lessons

Privates : \$300 per full hour

Semi-private: (60 minutes shared with a friend) \$200 per person

Auditing : \$35 per session attended

If you are interested in a private lesson please send an email to jigsawdogs@bigpond.com

PAYMENT & REGISTRATION: e-mail: jigsawdogs@bigpond.com

Complete the attached registration form along with payment via direct deposit or over the counter at the bank.

CANCELLATION POLICY:

- If the hosting group due to unforeseen circumstances cancels the event, a full refund shall be made to participants.
- Jigsaw Dog Training & Behaviour Consultancy shall not be responsible for any associated cancellations such as accommodation/travel costs. Such costs are solely at the arrangement between the participant and the hosting facility.
- Cancellations made by the participant prior to the seminar: No refund of deposit. Balance refundable.
- Refund of cancellation fee only possible if another participant can fill the vacated position. If so, person making the cancellation will be contacted and the refund will be forwarded.

About Suzanne Clothier

Whether the audience is companion dog owners or experienced trainers, Suzanne's broad knowledge, common sense and humour offer exciting, practical information and approaches that will enhance the dog/human relationship.

Suzanne Clothier has been working with animals professionally since 1977, with a deep, broadly varied background. She is well respected for her humane Relationship Centred Training (RCT™) approach to dogs and the people that love them.

She has taught in the US, Canada, Belgium, Holland, Italy, Japan, Australia, New Zealand and the UK for groups as varied as Wolf Park, Association of Pet Dog Trainers, the University of MN's Nature-Based Therapeutics conference, many national and international conferences, and training groups. She also serves as a consultant to guide dog schools and service dog organizations.

An innovative trainer, Suzanne's work includes CARAT™, The Enriched Puppy Protocol™, RAT™, FAT™, Really Real Relaxation™, Treat/Retreat, CCC™ (with Cindy Knowlton) and RCT™ techniques. Her work reflects the experience of a lifetime spent living with and caring for many animals. Her work has been presented in multiple international conferences, including most recently at the International Working Dog Breeder Association conference.

She is an award-winning author of videos, books, booklets and numerous articles. She served as a committee member for the AKC's Agility Advisory Board, and as a committee member of the American Humane Association's Task Force for the Development of Humane Standards in Dog Training.

When not traveling and teaching, Suzanne is at home with husband John Rice on their working farm in upstate New York, surrounded by dogs, cats, parrots, tortoises, horses, donkeys, pigs, chickens and Scottish Highland cattle.

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Host: Jigsaw Dogs
ABN 82 136 261 115

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Geelong Seminar: 8th – 13th March, 2018
Host: Jo Hamilton
Contact: joandbenton@bigpond.com

REGISTRATION FOR SUZANNE CLOTHIER 2018

Please complete and return to jigsawdogs@bigpond.com

Please print clearly

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

EMAIL: _____

3rd March – 9am to 5pm

4th March – 9am to 5pm

Registration for: Auditor

I intend to register my dog for a working spot:

Dog's name: _____

Breed: _____

After confirmation of payment in full, a link will be sent to you to complete registration for a working spot.

PAYMENT DETAILS:

Jigsaw Dog Training

(ANZ Bank)

BSB 012493

ACCOUNT NO: 453494058

Please use your surname and initial in payment reference eg KeastM

Early Bird Registration:

Payment Method: Direct Deposit

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