

HAPPY PUPPY

A Training Manual for Puppy (and Dog) Parents by Louise Laurens

*A well-behaved pooch creates a calmer home environment:
a happy dog equals a happy parent!*

If within a week the rules you've set out for your new puppy change from 'not allowed in the house at all' to 'allowed inside but only in a particular room and off the furniture' to 'being allowed on all the furniture (and maybe eventually even sleeping under the covers with me)', you need puppy training!

In *Happy Puppy: A Training Manual for Puppy (and Dog) Parents*, Louise Laurens instructs first-time and long-time dog owners about dog pack structure, rewards and punishments, looking after your dog's health, and other training issues. Louise also shares case studies that not only illustrate what action should be done, but also to reassure you that you're not alone in your doggie mishaps.

"With the recent increase of dog behaviour problems and attacks, I feel it is important for people to learn how to train and understand their best friends. For instance, it is because of behaviour problems (which include barking, digging, jumping, destructiveness and biting) that around 80 percent of dogs under eighteen months of age are abandoned and euthanased. These problems, however, can easily be avoided if proper puppy training is carried out — and that is what I hope to help you with."

About the Author

Louise Laurens' animal career began at the age of twelve when she started five years of volunteering with Horse Riding for the Disabled. She then helped out at the Toowoomba & District Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, and took on the position of Junior Branch Convenor at the society at fifteen. Later, she was placed at the Fairfield branch of the RSPCA and soon worked as a volunteer Veterinary Nurse on weekends and school holidays at various veterinary practices in Toowoomba.



She began Veterinary Nursing studies in 1993 and became a Certified Veterinary Nurse in 1995, at which time she gained further experience by working as a locum throughout Brisbane and surrounding areas and speaking at Veterinary Nursing workshops. She was taken on by Ferny Hills Veterinary Surgery as Senior Veterinary Nurse (and eventually Nurse Manager) in 1996, where she was nominated for the 1997 Excellence in Nursing Practice Award. In April 1996, she completed Craig A. Murray's Dog Trainer Course and became Chief Dog Trainer for Craig in Brisbane, running courses at Mitchelton, The Gap and Albany Creek. She also completed Craig A. Murray's Puppy Trainer Course later that year. In 1998, she qualified as an Enrolled Veterinary Nurse, and followed this by completing her Advanced Veterinary Nursing Certificate in 1999. In early 2004 she received her accreditation in Veterinary Nursing, followed by her Diploma later that year.

Paws x 4 is Lauren's foray into the world of small business. It started in 1997, and under this banner she educates both puppy and dog owners at various venues throughout greater Brisbane.

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HOW TO PHOTOGRAPH A PUPPY

1. Unplug camera from charger
2. Remove charger from puppy
3. Turn on camera
4. Mount camera on tripod
5. Find puppy and take sock from mouth.
6. Place puppy front of camera
7. return to camera.
8. crawl after puppy on hands and knees.
9. take camera off tripod
10. Focus with one hand and fend off puppy with other hand.
11. remove nose print and slobber from lens
12. catch cranky cat and put outside
13. bath the scratch on puppy's nose.
14. Put magazines back on coffee table.
15. Try to get puppy's attention by squeaking toy over your head.
16. Replace your glasses and check camera for damage.
17. Jump up quickly, grab puppy, and run outside.
18. Call partner to help clean up mess.
19. Go get a drink
20. Sit back in chair
21. Book into Puppy Training tomorrow

Good luck & remember to have fun!