



**THE INSTITUTE OF
COMPLEMENTARY
ANIMAL THERAPIES™**

**COURSES
&
WORKSHOPS**

2008/2009



WELCOME!

Thank you for enquiring about ICAT.

The following pages contain details of the courses and workshops planned so far. These are constantly being updated with extra courses being run on demand. Group numbers are kept small to ensure individuals receive a high standard of personal tuition.

About the Institute

The Institute was set up in 2002 and has rapidly established itself as the country's leading centre of excellence for those wishing to learn more about complementary therapies and their benefits in the animal kingdom.

ICAT is a registered training provider with UKRLP and LearnDirect.

The Principal and chief assessor is Julie Boxall who has been working with animals for over 25 years. A qualified adult and further education teacher and practitioner of complementary therapies on both humans and animals, Julie was trained by the late Pamela Hannay, who was Senior Instructor of the Ohashi Institute in New York.

Throughout her years as both an animal and human complementary therapist Julie has gained a vast knowledge and experience in treating all sorts of disorders in a variety of animals using sports massage techniques, myofascial release, shiatsu, flower remedies and healing. We also have a veterinarian, nutritionalist, master saddler, farrier and equine dentist amongst our team of experts.

Location

ICAT equine workshops/courses are held at local BHS recognised stable yards and at an excellent equine rehabilitation yard in Devon. Facilities include use of undercover American style barns, indoor and outdoor schools and a comfortable classroom. The canine courses are held in warm comfortable spacious surroundings with practical sessions held on site.

Accommodation

This is available in nearby B & B's (approx £25-45pppn). *A list of local accommodation is supplied upon receipt of booking - or see the website Links page.* All horses are provided so there is no need to bring your own - but if you so wish, arrangements can be made to accommodate yours during your stay. Canine companions are most welcome to stay in the B & B and attend both the theory and practical sessions! *(If you are unable to bring a dog please let me know as soon as possible)*

I look forward to welcoming you in the near future.

Julie Boxall

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EQUINE SPORTS MASSAGE DIPLOMA™

Accredited with the Association of Complementary Animal Therapies

The purpose of this course is to teach touch and bodywork techniques which can enhance the health and well being of animals. Regular massage treatments can lead to stress reduction and performance enhancement. This course consists of three levels, which must be completed within 2 years of commencement. The course is both practical and theory based (500 hours theory + 160 hours practical)

LEVEL 1 EQUINE SPORTS MASSAGE CERTIFICATE®

3½ day course (& home study)



Foundation level course ensuring knowledge and understanding of the Law, horse handling skills, gait analysis, conformation, basic anatomy and physiology. There is a strong practical element emphasising the correct application of Swedish massage techniques, contra indications to massage, the consultation process, record keeping, health and safety risk assessment. **This course includes modules for home study and 20 (5 horses x 4 treatments) practical case studies, therefore please allow at least 4 months between this course and commencing Level II.**

LEVEL II EQUINE SPORTS MASSAGE CERTIFICATE®

3 day course (& home study)

Intermediate level course demonstrating a broader range of competences, knowledge and understanding extending previously learnt techniques. The course includes identifying Swedish pre and post event massage techniques, active & passive stretching exercises, stress point and trigger point location and treatment. Further anatomy and physiology, gait analysis, treatment of injuries. We also include lectures from a master saddler and registered farrier. **There are some modules for home study and 20 (5 horses x 4 treatments) practical case studies, therefore please allow at least 4 months between this and commencing Level III**



LEVEL III EQUINE SPORTS MASSAGE DIPLOMA®

3 day course (home study, practical & theory exams)



Advanced level diploma course. Learners are encouraged to develop autonomous, analytical and critical abilities to progress to becoming an independent equine sports massage therapist working closely with veterinarians. Content includes; treating specific conditions, awareness of veterinary diagnostic techniques used in assessing lameness, equine dentistry, hydrotherapy spa treatment, and setting up and running a business. **20 practical case studies**

(5 horses x 4 treatments) home study modules.

**** There is a separate final practical assessment and exam over 2 days.**



EQUINE SHIATSU THERAPY DIPLOMA™

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Shiatsu is a Japanese word meaning finger pressure, is a sister modality to acupuncture and works along the same principles: that stimulation of certain points on and inside the body will have a positive effect on the body's ability to heal itself. The course teaches the learner about this energy work and its remarkable effects on horses. This course consists of three levels, which must be completed within 2 years of commencement. The course is both practical and theory based (500 hours theory + 160 hours practical)

LEVEL 1 EQUINE SHIATSU THERAPY CERTIFICATE®

3 day course (& home study)



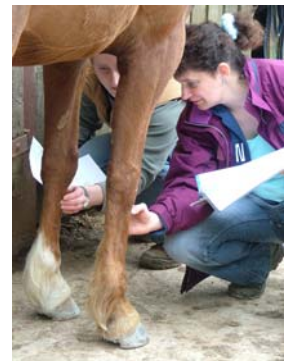
Foundation level course ensuring knowledge and understanding of the Law, horse handling skills, conformation, basic anatomy and physiology, distribution of Ki energy, the concept of Yin Yang, the Five Elements. Application of a basic equine shiatsu routine. Veterinary referral, the consultation process, record keeping, health and safety risk assessment are all discussed.

This course includes modules for home study and 20 practical case studies, therefore please allow at least 4 months between this course and commencing Level II.

LEVEL II EQUINE SHIATSU THERAPY CERTIFICATE®

3 day course (& home study)

Intermediate level course demonstrating a broader range of competences, knowledge and understanding extending previously learnt techniques. We identify the fourteen classical meridians, specific point locations, anatomy and physiology, pre and post ride treatments. **There are some modules for home study and 20 practical case studies, therefore please allow at least 4 months between this and commencing Level III**



LEVEL III EQUINE SHIATSU THERAPY DIPLOMA®

3 day course (home study, practical & theory exams)



Advanced level diploma course. Learners are encouraged to develop autonomous, analytical and critical abilities to progress to becoming an independent equine shiatsu therapist working closely with veterinarians. Content includes; treating specific conditions, mind, body, spirit inter-relationships, setting up and running a business. **Home study modules, 20 practical case studies.**

There is a separate final practical assessment and exam over 2 days.



CANINE MASSAGE DIPLOMA™

Accredited with the Association of Complementary Animal Therapies

The purpose of this course is to teach touch and bodywork

techniques which will enhance both the mind and the body of canines thus providing a more relaxed animal with improved muscle tone, enhanced coat condition and a strengthened animal/owner bond. The course is both practical and theory based (400 hours theory + 140 hours practical) Well behaved dogs can encourage their owners to bring them along to practice upon in class!

LEVEL I CANINE MASSAGE CERTIFICATE®

3 Day Intensive Practical Course



Foundation level course ensuring knowledge and understanding of the following: The Law regarding the treatment of animals; health and safety; risk assessment; introduction to anatomy and physiology; canine behaviour and welfare; the major senses. There is a strong practical element emphasising the correct application of Swedish massage techniques. **The course includes modules for home study compilation and 20 practical case studies (5 dogs x 4 treatments), therefore please allow at least 4 months before commencing Level II.**

LEVEL II CANINE MASSAGE CERTIFICATE®

3 Day Course

Intermediate level course demonstrating a broader range of competences, knowledge and understanding, extending previously learnt techniques. We extend previously learnt practical skills to develop pre and post event massage techniques, stretching exercises, evaluation of movement, further anatomy and physiology, assessment of lameness and injuries, post operative care and rehabilitation, specific conditions and MET techniques.

The course includes some modules for home study compilation and 20 practical case studies (5 dogs x 4 treatments), therefore please allow at least 4 months before commencing Level III.



LEVEL III CANINE MASSAGE DIPLOMA®

2 Day Course (Please note there is a separate exam over 2 days)

Advanced level diploma course. Learners are encouraged to develop autonomous, analytical and critical abilities to progress to becoming an independent canine massage therapist working closely with veterinarians. Content

includes; treating specific conditions, awareness of veterinary diagnostic techniques, diet and nutrition. Setting up and running a business. **Home study modules, 20 practical case studies (5 dogs x 4 treatments) to be completed before return for final practical assessment and written exam paper over 2 days.**

LEVEL III CANINE MASSAGE EXAM®

2 Days



TM WORKSHOPS

ANIMAL HEALING & DOWSING WORKSHOP

2 day workshop



A workshop to gently mobilise the healing powers within the body itself. We learn how to tap into the divine life force energy which is then channelled from the healer to the receiver (animal), to wherever it is most needed. We take a look into animal behaviour and communication and how useful this is when applying healing to all variety of animals! A very empowering uplifting weekend. (A certificate of attendance is awarded at the end)



These workshops are held as and when there is demand. If you are interested in attending please telephone ICAT direct. We also regularly organise specially tailored CPD workshops for other professionals.



DIPLoma COURSE - ENTRANCE CRITERIA

- ◆ Students must be **over 18** years of age.
- ◆ **Equine Students** should hold the BHS Stage 2 Certificate, Horse Owners Certificate 2, Pony Club B or have at least three years experience in the horse industry - preferably at a professional yard or at competition level. (*Evidence of the above will be required in written form*)
- ◆ **Canine Students** must have a sound knowledge of dog care and handling: i.e. canine behaviourist, previous/current work in a kennels, grooming facility or veterinary nursing background, dog walker, pet sitter, agility competitor, etc., for a minimum of three years. (*Evidence of the above will be required in written form*)
- ◆ Students **under 21** years should hold **4 GCSE** passes (**one in English**) or provide proof of an equivalent educational standard.
- ◆ ***N.B. If students have differing qualifications/experience than those listed above, please do not despair - telephone us for an informal interview.***



ASSOCIATION OF COMPLEMENTARY ANIMAL THERAPIES ACCREDITATION

The Equine Sports Massage Diploma, the Equine Shiatsu Diploma and the Canine Massage Diploma courses are all accredited with the Association of Complementary Animal Therapies. (ACAT)

www.theacat.co.uk

THE LEGAL ASPECT

The treatment of animals in the UK is controlled by the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966.

This Act's main aim is to prevent lay persons from practising 'veterinary surgery' which is defined as:

- a) *The diagnosis of diseases in, and injuries to, animals including tests performed on animals for diagnostic purposes;*
- b) *The giving of advice based upon such a diagnosis;*
- c) *The medical or surgical treatment of animals;*
- d) *The performance of surgical operations upon animals.*

Massage is covered under the *Exemption Order 1962 as a manipulative therapy. We abide by a, b, c, & d and always work with veterinary approval, only address minor ailments or behavioural problems and DO NOT 'diagnose and treat'.

The House of Lords Select Committee on Science and Technology (Complementary and Alternative Medicine November 2000) defined Massage and Aromatherapy as 'complementary' because they 'do not purport to embrace diagnostic skills'.

By embarking upon its courses ICAT requires all its students to respect the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966 and Exemption Order 1962 by never working upon an animal without gaining prior veterinary approval.

INSURANCE

The exceptionally high standards of the ICAT Diploma courses have been recognised by a nationwide insurance company who are happy to provide insurance for students/graduates.

They offer indemnity insurance of either £1 million or £2.5 million, an individual animal limit of up to £25,000. They can also include business equipment/stock and personal accident cover for additional premiums.

ICAT Courses and Workshops 2008/2009

Up to date details of courses and workshops are shown on the Courses page of the ICAT website. An online booking facility is available.

Alternatively, if you prefer, you are welcome to use the booking form included in this prospectus.

The booking deposit for each course must accompany the printed booking form.

PLEASE NOTE:

ICAT reserves the right to review courses and dates for 2008/2009.

Each course requires a minimum of 4 bookings to enable it to run.

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BOOKING FORM

ICAT Ref No: _____

Name _____ Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms Date of Birth _____

Address _____

_____ Postcode _____

Tel. No. _____ Mobile _____

Email: _____

Please state any disability or medical condition or learning needs, which might require special arrangements? _____

Emergency Contact:

Name _____ Tel. No. _____

Please complete the boxes below:

Course Code	Course Title	Dates	Total Fee	Deposit/Total Amount Enclosed

Cheques should be made payable to I.C.A.T. Amount Enclosed: £ _____

*** A non-refundable, non-transferable deposit of **£117.50** (inc VAT) is required when making your booking.*

NB. The balance is payable 28 days before course commences – no reminder will be sent.

I have read and understood the ICAT Course Terms and Conditions and will respect the Veterinary Surgeon's Act 1966 & Exemption Order 1962.

Customer Signature: _____ Date: _____

**** If you would prefer to pay by Debit / Credit card please also complete separate sheet.**

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Please state which course applying for: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Tel No: _____

Details of experience/qualifications:

Signed: _____ **Date:** _____



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DEBIT/ CREDIT CARD INSTRUCTION FORM

I wish to pay by Credit / Debit card. * delete as appropriate

Please debit my Mastercard / Visa / Maestro / American Express card* with the sum of £ _____

Please enter your card numbers in the boxes below:

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Card Security No. (Last 3 numbers on reverse)	Issue No. (Maestro cards only)	Start Date /	Expiry Date /
Cardholder's Name			
Cardholder's Address			
Postcode			
Cardholder's Signature			
Cardholder's Telephone No.			

Please return this page in full with your booking form to:

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THE INSTITUTE OF COMPLEMENTARY ANIMAL THERAPIES®

CANINE MASSAGE COURSE©

COURSE TERMS AND CONDITIONS

The Institute of Complementary Animal Therapies® (hereinafter called the “Provider”) do offer to provide the Canine Massage Course© (as described in this Booking Form) to the Customer on the following terms.

DEFINITIONS

“**Course**” means the Canine Massage Bodywork Course© provided by the Provider to the Customer at the Venue, in return for the Course Fee;

“**Course Date**” means

“**Course Fee**” means the total sum of £--- payable by the Customer to the Provider;

“**Deposit**” means the deposit in the sum of £---;

“**Dog**” means the Customer’s dog or other dogs belonging to people attending the Course;

“**Venue**” means the.....;

1. THE COURSE

1.1 The Provider will use reasonable skill and care in the provision of the Course.

1.2 The Customer will attend the Course with their Dog (if this is not possible, please contact ICAT)

1.3 The Provider does not make any commitment to the Customer that the content of the Course will meet any specific requirements that the Customer may have. The Provider expects the Customer to take reasonable steps to verify that the course will meet their requirements and the needs of their Dog. Customers are required to familiarise themselves with the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1966 and gain prior approval from their Veterinarian before any massage treatments are carried out on their own, or other peoples Dogs for the purpose of case studies.

1.4 The Provider reserves the right to refuse to provide the Course, and/or allow the Dog entry to the Venue, if the Dog becomes unmanageable, in any way, including (but not limited to) situations when the Dog becomes aggressive or unruly, or if the Dog is not sufficiently healthy to undergo a massage treatment.

1.5 The Customer shall supply suitable collars or harnesses and leads and, when necessary, muzzles for the Dog and any coats or other accessories which the Customer wishes to be used. The Customer will also supply their own blanket or suitable item for the Dog to lie on during the course. The Customer must also provide the Dog’s own water and food containers, together with water and food, in order to maintain the health and well being of the Dog..

1.6 The Customer shall be responsible for the Dog at all times and will feed and water the Dog during the Course. The Customer will also be responsible for ensuring that the Dog is sufficiently healthy for the Course to be undertaken, in particular that the Dog does not have, for example, any open wounds, skin conditions or any contagious condition.

1.7 The Customer shall inform the Provider fully of any characteristics of the dog which need to be known for handling and care of the Dog during the Course.

1.8 The Provider will supply the Customer with light refreshments during coffee and afternoon tea breaks, the cost of which are included in the Course Fee. Lunch is not provided or included in the Course Fee.

1.9 The Course will commence at At the Venue and will finish at

2. PAYMENT

2.1 The Customer shall pay the Deposit of £117.50 to the Provider to secure their place on the Course, which shall be submitted with this completed and signed Booking Form. The Deposit is non-refundable in the event that the Course is cancelled by the Customer in accordance with Clause 3.2.

2.2 The remaining sum of the Course Fee (the balance) of £-- is payable by the Customer to the Provider no later than 28 days prior to the Course Date.

2.3 All Course Fees are payable to "ICAT."

3. CANCELLATION

3.1 The Provider may cancel the Course at any time up to 2 days prior to the Course Date. If the Provider cancels the Course, then all Course Fees paid by the Customer will be refunded to them or an alternative course offered.

3.2 The Customer may cancel the Course up to 28 days prior to the Course Date. If the Customer cancels the Course, then the Deposit paid will not be refunded, however the remaining Course Fee will not become due.

3.3 If a Course is cancelled, an alternative Course Date may be offered to the Customer at the absolute discretion of the Provider.

3.4 If the Customer books the Course and does not cancel the Course, but in any event does not attend the Course, then the full Course Fee will be payable by the Customer to the Provider within 7 days of the Course Date.

4. LIABILITY

4.1 The Provider shall have no liability to the Customer for any claim in respect of the Dog.

4.2 The Customer undertakes the Course with their own Dog at their own risk.

4.3 The Provider will have no liability or responsibility for accidents or fights which may break out between the Dogs or their owners, during the Course and/or whilst at the Venue.

4.4 The Provider shall not be responsible to the Customer in the event that the Course cannot be provided due to an event beyond the Provider's reasonable control, which include (but is not limited to) events such as fire, flood, storm, strikes or other industrial action, failure of telecommunication services, war, riot or the actions of any government or public body. In the event that the Provider is prevented from running the Course by such an event, the Provider will take reasonable steps to try to provide the Course to the Customer as soon as is reasonably practicable.

4.5 The Provider makes no representations or warranties, express or implied, as to the accuracy or effectiveness of the Course and the Customer acknowledges this.

4.6 The Provider shall have no liability whatsoever with respect to the appropriateness or reliance upon the Course by the Customer.

4.7 Whilst every effort is made to help and improve the wellbeing of the Dog, the Provider shall have no liability for any accident or illness arising from the massage treatment conducted on the Dog, both during or following the Course. Customers will at all times abide by the ICAT Health & Safety terms as stated in the ICAT Health & Safety Policy Booklet.

5. GENERAL PROVISIONS

5.1 This Booking Form contains all the terms agreed between the parties except for such variations as shall be agreed in writing by the parties.

5.2 The Booking Form shall be governed and construed in accordance with the laws of England and Wales and the parties consent to the exclusive jurisdiction of the English Courts.



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EQUINE SPORTS MASSAGE COURSE©

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“Horse” means the Horse/s being used for the purpose of the Course; or the Customer’s own Horse. “Venue” means the.....;

1. THE COURSE

1.1 The Provider will use reasonable skill and care in the provision of the Course.

1.2 The Provider will supply the necessary Horses (if the candidate wishes to bring their own Horse, please contact ICAT)

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1.4 The Provider reserves the right to refuse to provide the Course, and/or allow the Horse entry to the Venue, if the Horse becomes unmanageable, in any way, including (but not limited to) situations when the Horse becomes aggressive or unruly, or if the Horse is not sufficiently healthy to undergo a massage treatment.

1.5 When bringing their own Horse, the Customer shall supply suitable control halters and lead ropes when necessary, tack and any rugs or blankets or other accessories which the Customer wishes to be used. The Customer will liaise with the Venue stable manager regarding suitable feeding and exercise times and appropriate BHS stable management in the provision of health care of the Horse during the course.

1.6 When bringing their own Horse, the Customer shall be responsible for the Horse at all times and will feed and water the Horse during the Course, or liaise with the stable manager regarding livery services. The Customer will also be responsible for ensuring that the Horse is sufficiently healthy for the Course to be undertaken, in particular that the Horse does not have, for example, any open wounds, skin conditions or any contagious condition.

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