

## User/In Application Documentation

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#### I. Introduction:

- A. This document is to explain how the user may interact with our web application, the Dog-ologue. We will explain how to use the different functionalities of our site. All instructions are based off of the user starting at our homepage currently located at <http://142.93.10.23/>

#### II. Registering:

- A. A new user may register for a new account on our site. This allows them to browse the Dog-ologue and in the future leave comments and request new entries to be added to the site. To register, a user must click the register button located at the far right spot in the navbar. This leads the user to a new page where the user must input a username, password, re-type their password, and email. After inputting valid information, the user may click the register button. The user is now registered on our site.

#### III. Logging In:

- A. A user after registering on the site, may login to their account. To do this they must click on the login button, located on the navbar on the homepage. After doing this, the user will be directed to a new page where they may input their username and password. The user may then press the login button. If either username or password are incorrect an error message will display. If both are valid, the user will be redirected back to the homepage.

#### IV. Logging Out:

- A. A user may logout from the site if they are currently logged into an account. To logout, the user must click the logout button located on the far right of the navbar.

Logging out will return the user to the original homepage where they may register or login to an existing account.

V. Searching the Dog-alogue:

A. Searching Dog Breeds:

1. In order to search dog breeds, the user may click on the search button in the navbar. This will take the user to a new page where they may input search criteria. In order to search breeds, the user must choose “breed” from the first drop down menu. They then have the choice of either name or type in the second drop down menu. After picking one of these options, the user may then input any search terms into the text box. Once the entire form has some data, the user may click the search button. This will display all entries in the breeds table that fit the given parameters.

B. Searching Specific Dogs:

1. In order to search specific dogs, the user may click on the search button in the navbar. This will take the user to a new page where they may input search criteria. In order to search specific dogs, the user must choose “dog” from the first drop down menu. They then have the choice of either name, breed, or shelter in the second drop down menu. After picking one of these options, the user may then input any search terms into the text box. Once the entire form has some data, the user may click the search button. This will display all entries in the dogs table that fit the given parameters.

C. Searching Shelters:

1. In order to search shelters, the user may click on the search button in the navbar. This will take the user to a new page where they may input search criteria. In order to search specific dogs, the user must choose “shelter” from the first drop down menu. They then have the choice of either name or city in the second drop down menu. After picking one of these options, the user may then input any search terms into the text box. Once the entire form has some data, the user may click the search button. This will display all entries in the shelters table that fit the given parameters.

VI. Commenting

- A. A user may leave comments on a dog entry. In order to do so a user must be logged in. Once logged in, they may find the entry on which they want to leave a comment on. They may do so by following the Searching Dogs guide. Once the entry is found they may press the look at button to the right of the entry. Once on the entries page, a comment box will appear at the bottom of the screen. The user may enter their comment and press submit.

VII. Request a New Entry

- A. A user may request a new entry to add to the Dog-alogue. To do this a user must be logged in. From the user homepage, they will see “Request a New Entry” on the navbar. Clicking this will take the user to a new page where they may fill out a

form to request a new entry. After the form is filled out the user presses submit to add the dog.

#### VIII. Moderator Guide

##### A. Deleting a Comment

1. In order to delete a comment a user must be logged in and have moderator privileges. Once logged in, follow the instructions for commenting on a dog entry. Once on the dog page, instead of leaving a comment, the moderator will see a button to delete a comment next to that comment. When pressed, a pop up box will ask if you are sure you want to delete the comment. By clicking approve, the comment will be permanently deleted.

#### IX. Admin Guide

##### A. Adding Entry:

1. In order to add an entry to the database, a user must be logged in and have administrator privileges. Once logged in as an admin, the admin may click on admin home located on the navbar on the admin homepage. This will direct the user to a new page where they may input data to add a new entry to the Dog-ologue. Once all data is inputted into the form, the user may press submit. This will add the entry to the Dog-ologue.

##### B. Approving New Entry

1. In order to approve a new entry a user must be logged in as an admin. Then on the admin homepage, there will be a link called add entries on the admin navbar. By clicking this it will take the user to a new page where they can view each entry request made and can click approve to add them to the Dog-ologue.

##### C. User Management:

1. In order to access the user management page, a user must be logged in and have administrator privileges. Once logged in as an admin, the user may click on user management located on the navbar on the admin homepage. This will direct the user to a new page where they may change the privileges of other users. They may grant a user admin privileges by clicking the make admin button next to the users name. They may grant a user moderator privileges by clicking the make mod button next to the users name. Additionally, the admin can change what columns of the table are viewable by clicking the different values located in the columns drop down menu.