User/In Application Documentation

Table of Contents

- I. Introduction
- II. Registering
- III. Logging In
- IV. Logging Out
- V. Searching the Dog-alogue
 - A. Dog Breeds
 - B. Specific Dogs
 - C. Shelters
- VI. Admin Guide
 - A. Adding Entry
 - B. User Management

I. Introduction:

A. This document is to explain how the user may interact with our web application, the Dog-alogue. 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-alogue 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. Admin Guide

A. Adding Entry:

 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-alogue. Once all data is inputted into the form, the user may press submit. This will add the entry to the Dog-alogue.

B. 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. Additionally, the admin can change what columns of the table are viewable by clicking the different values located in the columns drop down menu.