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Cheyenne Kennel Club Newsletter

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## Online Titling by Video

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Online Titles - For Real!

Social distancing, restrictions, lock downs, nearly every dog event across the country canceled! What's an obsessed dog sports enthusiast to do?!?! Training is great, but sometimes it seems we're training without a place to go. Training without an immediate goal can feel kind of meh. I get it. There are options!

While there are no in-person trials right now and even when shows do start, they may be few and far between as the virus is still here and will be for sometime to come, there are alternatives to shows or trials. Have you ever considered looking into some of the online titles that are available? Yes, really. Many organizations offer opportunities to earn titles online in many different activities.

## Online Titling

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Why online?

Well first of all, there's a pandemic out there! What better way to stay safe than to earn titles at home. Also, if you're like me, you need something to train for to help set goals. It's waaaay too easy to just chill and think, "I'll get started on that behavior or trick later."

Other reasons might include:

- Trialing is expensive. Many involve long drives, hotels, and food. That doesn't even count entry fees! Online titles aren't free, but they are much less of an investment than traveling three states away.
- Do you have a dog or dogs who are not comfortable in trial or show settings, on car trips, or in hotels? These dogs can benefit from online options. Elderly dogs can also find travel challenging. Almost all dogs love to have jobs and to spend time with you, even if in-person shows are not for them. Online is a terrific option for these dogs.
- Sometimes it's the humans who can have travel challenges, for many different reasons. Online titles can provide training goals and comradery with other participants in a new online activity or sport.

What kind of activities offer online titles?

Trick Dog titles: Do More With Your Dog (DMWYD) has offered online titles for years. AKC recently waived the inperson evaluation requirement and is now allowing online evaluations.

Parkour only offers titles online. Like tricks, Parkour is not a competition, but a demonstration of acquired skills at every level.

Treibball (American Treibball Association and the National Association of Treibball Enthusiasts) both offer titles primarily online in addition to some in person trials.

Rally as a titling sport is also available online. Cyber Rally-O has long offered online rally titles. AKC has recently started a pilot project to allow online Rally at the Novice level.

TEAM: Those aspiring to compete in Rally or Obedience may be interested in the Fenzi Dog Sports Academy TEAM program. TEAM stands for Training Excellence Assessment Modules. Each level has a suite of goals to build precision behaviors in a stepwise fashion that are foundational for rally, obedience, and even Schutzhund.. Titles are awarded at each level.

Musical Freestyle is sort of Rally set to music. Rally Freestyle Elements offers video entries as well as in-person competitions. Another similar organization is Rally-FrEe.

Agility! Yes, agility titles are offered online through the VALOR Project/Virtual Agility League. VALOR was started for dogs that just didn't fit into the traditional agility trial environment, but it is open to all.

## Minutes

## MARCH GENERAL MEETING

March 22, 2020Video Meeting/Conference Call

Meeting was called to order at 4:07
Treasurer's Report: Copies sent to board; Feb 28 24029.95, \$3956 payment to Archer, rosettes ordered, PO box rent, class fees to Red Ruff - APPROVED
Minutes:APPROVED
Corresponding Secretary: Nothing
Guest introductions:
Member Applications: Kayla Gilmer-Brown/Aaron Brown, bullmastiff and mix
Committee Reports:
Event Committee: - Canceled conformation classes
Website: Needs paid, membership profiles
Education:
Newsletter/Pooches Post: JoLynn, Bonnie articles

## Old Business:

Red Ruff Inn Conformation Classes - on hold for now, potential for Rally class on opposite weeks of conformation Flyers - Chandra - could email flyers
Show - premium should be good, should include dock diving
-no way for BH to be inside building
--UpDog and FastCAT - John says it's not enough room
--Dock diving - contacting fire dept. who is willing to deliver and to contact BOPU for cost, she called media contact --vendors - cost? (normally $\$ 150$ for 2 days) (voted $\$ 250$ for 10x10 for 3 days); discount?
---\$150 for this year only [due to recent events] but increased next year due to new venue - WITHDRAWN ---move that we charge vendors this year only $\$ 150$ for 10x10 and $\$ 100$ for each additional 10x10-APPROVED
-rosettes and breed trophies- Kohler will still do JS and nonsporting trophies, list from Dottie should arrive tomorrow
---reserved grooming: $8 \times 8$ spaces to fit 34 , we don't have enough electricity
---ice/refrigeration - Shirley is checking with Pepsi -caterers-Stacy wlll talk to Fred to do full meal, members can bring food that does not need refrigerated New Business:
4H judges needed -Zach with Laramie County dog 4H program conformation, JS, agility, Rally, they do pay, show is typically the week after Frontier Days. 4H rules are different from AKC rules

Meeting was adjourned at: 5:43


## Upcoming Events

Next general meeting: 7 pm
Thursday, May 28th Zoom

Conformation classes have been postponed until further notice.

AKC.org has a banner link at the bottom of the homepage to a hub with information about staying healthy and about show cancellations.


## Brags

from the March general meeting

GARY broke his leg.

BARB SAHL brought Charlie to Chandra's house and he didn't throw up! Charlie earned his novice trick dog title and Echo earned her advanced trick dog title!

Lakeland Terrier, Jo-Lynn Hefferman


## Minutes

## MAY BOARD MEETING

May 14, 2020 - Zoom

Meeting called to order 7:06

Present: Bonnie Spiece, Monica Turner, Cathy Anderson, JoLynn Hefferman, Barb Patterson, Chandra Flaim
Absent: Judy Wrysinski, Stacy Woita, Kay Allen

Minutes: February board meeting -APPROVED

Treasurer's Report: Emailed, not much has happened. APPROVED

Corresponding Sec: Nothing to report

Special Committee Reports:
Website - Up and functioning
Newsletter - Please send pictures, will send out with May board meeting minutes and general meeting information.


Shows -
Cathy to discuss with Onofrio about Friday Obedience - fixed
UpDog - don't need to be licensed, will be here
Speaking to Cairn Terrier club about FastCAT
Boxers Specialty on Friday - nothing to report
NADD - everything was set but dock diving club canceled

Old Business:
Conformation Classes at Red Ruff - can't do right now

New Business:
Standing Rules - motion to postpone updates until next year - APPROVED

PO box key -
New articles of incorporation have been filed with state.

Motion to hold board meetings monthly. In favor: 3 Opposed: 3 Abstained: 1Motion to table changing board meetings to monthly until October meeting. APPROVED Plan of when to make decisions about canceling - Special board meeting around July 15 - Archer will credit our payment to a future rental if show is postponed - masks for judges gifts
Meeting adjourned: 7:55

Signed: Monica Turner
Recording Secretary


## Online Titling

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What about training?

There are numerous online training schools. A prominent example is the Fenzi Dog Sports Academy. Classes are offered at three different participation levels in most of the major sports including agility, rally, obedience, tracking, nose work, IPO and more. There are many more. This is the one I know and use.

There is something for every team online. Find what you love and have fun with your furry besties


