

# Chinook Owners Association Active Chinook Program Titles Events Group



### **Titled Events Group Recognition**

Chinooks are excellent working dogs, and while their historical job was pulling sleds, more recently they have made names for themselves in a variety of canine disciplines. The Titled Events group recognizes the versatility and accomplishments of Chinooks in some of the many organized events like Agility, Conformation, Dock Jumping, Obedience and Rally Obedience.

<u>Qualifying Events</u> -- Titles earned in the following two categories are eligible for consideration in the Titled Events Group:

#### 1. Events Sponsored by UKC

Chinooks awarded titles by the United Kennel Club (UKC) in any performance events are eligible. The UKC's rules and regulations govern all titles. A complete rulebook listing all titles offered with their requirements is available from the UKC-www.UKCDogs.com.

2. Events Sponsored by Other National or International Dog Organizations Chinooks earning titles in other venues with recognized national or international organizations are also eligible. Examples of eligible titles include: herding titles from the American Herding Breeds Association; nosework titles from the National Association of Canine Scent Work; tracking/search and obedience/dexterity titles from the American Search and Rescue Sport Dog Association; etc. There are numerous organizations sponsoring titles, such as those listed above, that will be considered for recognition in the Titled Events Group.

Note: Titles awarded by the American Kennel Club (AKC) are not eligible for consideration in this category. Events that are offered for virtual participation (completed offsite and on your own) are eligible for consideration. If you have questions about whether a title or organization qualifies, please contact the <a href="Chinook Owners Association">COA</a>) Active Chinook Program Committee for additional information.

<u>Titles Offered</u> -- In this Group, titles are offered at the following levels:

#### Basic Level (Recognizing the Active Nature of Chinook Dogs)

• **Titled Events Title (TE)**: The dog earned one or more novice or higher title(s) in a single activity.



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### Advanced Level (Recognizing the Versatility of Chinook Dogs)

- **Versatile Novice Titled Events Title (TEVN)**: The dog earned two or more novice titles in two or more different activities.
- **Versatile Intermediate Titled Events Title (TEVI)**: The dog earned two or more intermediate/advanced titles in two or more different activities.
- Versatile Expert Titled Events Title (TEVX): The dog earned two or more expert/excellent/masters titles in two or more different activities.
- **Versatile Champion Titled Events Title (TEVC)**: The dog earned two or more champion level titles in two or more different activities.

Definition of Versatility for Purposes of Awarding a COA Titled Events Title: The term "different activities" used above to describe versatility means activities that are not in the same general category. As an example, if a dog earned an indoor nose work title and an outdoor nosework title they would be considered titles earned in a single activity. But if they were earned in nose work and tracking, they would be considered titles earned in two different activities. The Active Chinook Program Committee will make the final determination as to whether titles earned fit the definition of versatility. In addition, the Committee will render a final determination on how to treat titles that are not specifically designated as novice, intermediate, advanced, expert, excellent, masters or champion.

The Active Chinook Program (ACP) celebrates these Chinook achievements and will publish recognition of all titles earned in the Chinook Quarterly (CQ). For a dog to win a COA Title of Merit, it must have earned at least one title that qualifies for recognition in the Titled Events Group.

Working in any discipline should be an exciting and fun experience for Chinooks. It is critical that owners and handlers focus on providing a positive experience for their dogs. The ACP Committee supports working with Chinooks responsibly—physical and mental abuses are expressly prohibited. No action or inaction that causes preventable pain or suffering to a dog is allowed.

<u>To apply for a Titled Events Title</u> -- provide the following documentation.

If the qualifying events are sponsored by the UKC, provide:

- A completed Titled Events Application Form, and
- A copy of the UKC Title Certificate(s)



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If the title is from another national or international dog organization, provide:

- A completed Titled Events Application Form
- A copy of the Title Certificate(s) from the Organization(s)
- A copy of the Organization's requirements to achieve the title(s)

<u>Title Application Fee</u> – There is no application fee for COA Members. For non-members, the application fee is \$20.00; payable at the time the title application is submitted.

Applications for titles may be made electronically by emailing the required documents in PDF format to the <u>COA Active Chinook Program Committee</u>. At the time you submit the application, please note if any required application fees have been paid.

For submission of hard-copy applications, contact the <u>COA Active Chinook</u> <u>Program Committee</u> for a mailing address.