



THE 145TH ANNUAL
WESTMINSTER
KENNEL CLUB DOG SHOW

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UPDATES TO JUDGING PANEL FOR THE 145th ANNUAL WESTMINSTER KENNEL CLUB DOG SHOW

New York — The Westminster Kennel Club announces the following changes to its judging panel for the 145th Annual Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show Presented by Purina Pro Plan® at Lyndhurst, a National Trust for Historic Preservation property, in Tarrytown, New York, on June 12-13, 2021.

Primarily due to Covid-19 travel restrictions, Mr. Dan Ericsson, Mr. Carl E. Gomes, Mr. Frank Kane, Dr. John A. Reeve-Newson, and Mrs. Robyn Joy Wallis have been removed from the judging panel. Mr. James S. Covey, Ms. Patricia Anne Keenan, Mr. Dennis McCoy, Ms. Marjorie Martorella, and Mr. Mark E. Threlfall have been added to the panel while Mr. George Milutinovich and Ms. Bonnie P. Threlfall, presently on the panel, will take on additional breeds.

Mr. James S. Covey of Ballston Lake, New York will replace Mr. Frank Kane as the Sporting Group Judge and Mr. Dennis McCoy of Apex, North Carolina will replace Dr. John A. Reeve-Newson as the Non-Sporting Group Judge. Breed assignment adjustments include:

SPORTING BREEDS

Mr. Mark E. Threlfall of Merrimack, New Hampshire: German Shorthaired Pointers, German Wirehaired Pointers, Gordon Setters, Irish Setters, and Irish Red and White Setters.

Ms. Marjorie Martorella of Millstone Township, New Jersey: English Setters, Golden Retrievers, and Labrador Retrievers.

HOUND BREEDS

Ms. Bonnie P. Threlfall of Cary, North Carolina: Basenjis, Basset Hounds, Beagles (both Varieties), Grand Basset Griffon Vendéens, Petit Basset Griffon Vendéens.

TERRIER BREEDS

Ms. Patricia Anne Keenan of Chehalis, Washington: Airedale Terriers, American Staffordshire Terriers, Bull Terriers (both Varieties), Smooth Fox Terriers, Wire Fox Terriers, Parson Russell Terriers, Rat Terriers, Russell Terriers, Scottish Terriers, Sealyham Terriers, West Highland White Terriers.

NON-SPORTING BREEDS

Mr. George Milutinovich of Fresno, California: Boston Terriers and Finnish Spitz.

All judging assignments are pending AKC approval.

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