



THE 147TH ANNUAL
WESTMINSTER
KENNEL CLUB DOG SHOW

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***EAST BERLIN, PENNSYLVANIA PEKINGESE WINS TOY GROUP AT
THE 147TH ANNUAL WESTMINSTER KENNEL CLUB DOG SHOW***

New York, NY (May 9, 2023) — The Pekingese of East Berlin, Pennsylvania, handled, owned and bred by David Fitzpatrick, won the Toy Group under judge Mrs. Cindy Vogels at the 147th Annual Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show presented by Purina Pro Plan held at the USTA Billie Jean King National Tennis Center on Monday, May 8, 2023.

Rummie, a male nearly 3 years old, officially known as GCH CH Pequest Rum Dum, took top honors among the 324 dogs entered within the Toy Group. Westminster will see 2,500 entries in conformation, with two days of Best of Breed judging from May 8-9, culminating with the Group and Best in Show competitions.

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Highlights from the 147th Annual Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show can be found [HERE](#)
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Video can be found [HERE](#)
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The Toy Group was televised live on FS1 on Monday evening. Tune in for the crowning of Best in Show live on FS1 tonight, Tuesday, May 9 at 7:30 pm EDT. The Empire State Building will illuminate the New York City skyline in Westminster's iconic purple and gold to celebrate the 147th annual event. For full results and video, visit westminsterkennelclub.org.

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