



THE 148TH ANNUAL
WESTMINSTER
KENNEL CLUB DOG SHOW

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**OVER 2,500 TOP-RANKED DOGS FROM ALL U.S. STATES
TO COMPETE AT THE 148TH ANNUAL WESTMINSTER KENNEL CLUB DOG SHOW
MAY 11, 13 & 14 in NEW YORK CITY**

*Chihuahuas Lead Entries and Newly Eligible Breed, the Lancashire Heeler, Joins
America's Most Prestigious Dog Show*

Over 100 Junior Handlers to Compete in 90th Anniversary of Junior Showmanship

New York, NY (March 14, 2024) — Over 2,500 top-ranked dogs representing all 50 U.S. states will compete in the 148th Annual Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show presented by Purina Pro Plan on May 11, 13 & 14 in New York City. America's most iconic dog show will return to the USTA Billie Jean King National Tennis Center in Flushing, NY for the second consecutive year. Highlights for this year's show include one newly AKC-recognized breed, the Lancashire Heeler, and the 90th Anniversary of Junior Showmanship.

The Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show will welcome spectators once again to see 200 of the 201 American Kennel Club-recognized breeds represented at this year's show. The largest Westminster entries by breed are Chihuahuas (49), Labrador Retrievers (48), Golden Retrievers (47), Vizslas (38), Dachshunds (37), French Bulldogs (36), and Australian Shepherds and Rhodesian Ridgebacks (32 each). A surprising entry, the newly eligible breed, the Lancashire Heeler (1), will also be part of the 16.5 hours of FOX Sports television coverage culminating with Best in Show on Tuesday, May 14, on FS1.

In total, Westminster Week will feature over 3,000 top-ranked dogs in four different competitions. The week kicks off with Canine Celebration Day on Saturday, May 11, 2024. Saturday's festivities include the 11th Annual Masters Agility Championship, the 9th Annual Masters Obedience Championship, and a Breed Showcase, all presented by Purina Pro Plan, as well as Dock Diving at Westminster presented by Cosequin and demonstrations of freestyle obedience, herding, and scent work, as well as a Dog Show 101 presentation.

The breed competitions and Junior Showmanship Preliminaries will occur during the daytime on Monday (Hound, Toy, Non-Sporting, and Herding), and Tuesday (Sporting, Working, and Terrier), May 13 and 14. The Group Judging, Junior Showmanship Finals, and Best in Show will be held in the evenings. For the full schedule of events or to purchase tickets to the show, visit westminsterkennelclub.org.

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The states with the most dogs in the competition are Florida (201), New York (190), and California (183), followed by Pennsylvania (160) and Texas (130). There are 106 international entries across 12 countries, topped by Canada (88), Japan (5), and Spain (3).

Dog Show Breed Entries by Group

Sporting (476): Barbets (7), Bracchi Italiani (8), Brittanys (15), Lagotti Romagnoli (6), Nederlandse Kooikerhondjes (6), Pointers (21), Pointers (German Shorthaired) (20), Pointers (German Wirehaired) (12), Retrievers (Chesapeake Bay) (9), Retrievers (Curly-Coated) (8), Retrievers (Flat-Coated) (17), Retrievers (Golden) (47), Retrievers (Labrador) (48), Retrievers (Nova Scotia Duck Tolling) (16), Setters (English) (18), Setters (Gordon) (6), Setters (Irish) (15), Setters (Irish Red and White) (8), Spaniels (American Water) (4), Spaniels (Boykin) (10), Spaniels (Clumber) (14), Spaniels (Cocker) Black (10), Spaniels (Cocker) A.S.C.O.B. (9), Spaniels (Cocker) Parti-Color (7), Spaniels (English Cocker) (6), Spaniels (English Springer) (18), Spaniels (Field) (10), Spaniels (Irish Water) (3), Spaniels (Sussex) (12), Spaniels (Welsh Springer) (6), Spinoni Italiani (7), Vizslas (38), Weimaraners (17), Wirehaired Pointing Griffons (10), Wirehaired Vizslas (8).

Hound (367): Afghan Hounds (15), American English Coonhounds (3), American Foxhounds (5), Azawakhs (5), Basenjis (23), Basset Hounds (10), Beagles, Not Exceeding 13 In. (7), Beagles, Over 13 In. But Not Exceeding 15 In. (15), Black and Tan Coonhounds (6), Bloodhounds (8), Bluetick Coonhounds (6), Borzois (17), Cirnechi dell'Etna (15), Dachshunds (Longhaired) (14), Dachshunds (Smooth) (13), Dachshunds (Wirehaired) (10), English Foxhounds (3), Grand Basset Griffon Vendeens (4), Greyhounds (13), Harriers (2), Ibizan Hounds (14), Irish Wolfhounds (13), Norwegian Elkhounds (5), Otterhounds (6), Petits Bassets Griffons Vendeens (8), Pharaoh Hounds (16), Plott Hounds (6), Portuguese Podengo Pequenos (8), Redbone Coonhounds (7), Rhodesian Ridgebacks (32), Salukis (16), Scottish Deerhounds (14), Sloughis (4), Treeing Walker Coonhounds (4), Whippets (20).

Working (410): Akitas (12), Alaskan Malamutes (12), Anatolian Shepherd Dogs (5), Bernese Mountain Dogs (30), Black Russian Terriers (12), Boerboels (3), Boxers (13), Bullmastiffs (20), Cane Corsos (17), Chinooks (5), Doberman Pinschers (21), Dogo Argentinos (8), Dogues de Bordeaux (11), German Pinschers (5), Giant Schnauzers (13), Great Danes (17), Great Pyrenees (8), Greater Swiss Mountain Dogs (20), Komondorok (3), Kuvaszok (4), Leonbergers (12), Mastiffs (12), Neapolitan Mastiffs (11), Newfoundlands (11), Portuguese Water Dogs (19), Rottweilers (24), Saint Bernards (9), Samoyeds (20), Siberian Huskies (29), Standard Schnauzers (12), Tibetan Mastiffs (12).

Terrier (277): Airedale Terriers (9), American Hairless Terriers (8), American Staffordshire Terriers (7), Australian Terriers (7), Bedlington Terriers (13), Border Terriers (13), Bull Terriers (Colored) (5), Bull Terriers (White) (5), Cairn Terriers (15), Cesky Terriers (3), Dandie Dinmont Terriers (8), Fox Terriers (Smooth) (7), Fox Terriers (Wire)

(7), Glen of Imaal Terriers (8), Irish Terriers (6), Kerry Blue Terriers (10), Lakeland Terriers (10), Manchester Terriers (Standard) (6), Miniature Bull Terriers (5), Miniature Schnauzers (8), Norfolk Terriers (4), Norwich Terriers (18), Parson Russell Terriers (8), Rat Terriers (9), Russell Terriers (11), Scottish Terriers (11), Sealyham Terriers (7), Skye Terriers (9), Soft Coated Wheaten Terriers (11), Staffordshire Bull Terriers (11), Welsh Terriers (7), West Highland White Terriers (11).

Toy (326): Affenpinschers (7), Biewer Terriers (17), Brussels Griffons (13), Cavalier King Charles Spaniels (28), Chihuahuas (Long Coat) (29), Chihuahuas (Smooth Coat) (20), Chinese Cresteds (27), English Toy Spaniels (Blenheim & Prince Charles) (8), English Toy Spaniels (King Charles & Ruby) (6), Havanese (11), Italian Greyhounds (11), Japanese Chin (6), Maltese (7), Manchester Terriers (Toy) (9), Miniature Pinschers (10), Papillons (15), Pekingese (9), Pomeranians (21), Poodles (Toy) (9), Pugs (22), Russian Toys (12), Shih Tzu (5), Silky Terriers (8), Toy Fox Terriers (7), Yorkshire Terriers (9).

Non Sporting (255): American Eskimo Dogs (5), Bichons Frises (14), Boston Terriers (15), Bulldogs (18), Chinese Shar-Pei (10), Chow Chows (11), Cotons de Tulear (9), Dalmatians (20), Finnish Spitz (2), French Bulldogs (36), Keeshonden (14), Lhasa Apsos (11), Lowchen (11), Norwegian Lundehunds (1), Poodles (Miniature) (7), Poodles (Standard) (21), Schipperkes (11), Shiba Inu (9), Tibetan Spaniels (18), Tibetan Terriers (8), Xoloitzcuintli (4).

Herding (389): Australian Cattle Dogs (22), Australian Shepherds (32), Bearded Collies (18), Beaucerons (12), Belgian Laekenois (4), Belgian Malinois (15), Belgian Sheepdogs (12), Belgian Tervuren (15), Bergamasco Sheepdogs (10), Berger Picards (14), Border Collies (15), Bouviers des Flandres (10), Briards (9), Canaan Dogs (6), Cardigan Welsh Corgis (19), Collies (Rough) (9), Collies (Smooth) (16), Finnish Lapphunds (13), German Shepherd Dogs (10), Icelandic Sheepdogs (11), Lancashire Heelers (1), Miniature American Shepherds (16), Mudik (16), Norwegian Buhunds (7), Old English Sheepdogs (8), Pembroke Welsh Corgis (16), Polish Lowland Sheepdogs (6), Pulik (8), Pumik (7), Pyrenean Shepherds (4), Shetland Sheepdogs (16), Spanish Water Dogs (4), Swedish Vallhunds (8).

Dog Show Entries by Location

States (50): Alabama (13), Alaska (5), Arizona (33), Arkansas (12), California (183), Colorado (54), Connecticut (92), Delaware (15), **Florida (201)**, Georgia (57), Hawaii (5), Idaho (8), Illinois (61), Indiana (53), Iowa (13), Kansas (10), Kentucky (30), Louisiana (14), Maine (15), Maryland (65), Massachusetts (98), Michigan (70), Minnesota (21), Mississippi (7), Missouri (16), Montana (11), Nebraska (9), Nevada (18), New Hampshire (31), New Jersey (122), New Mexico (9), New York (190), North Carolina (81), North Dakota (2), Ohio (108), Oklahoma (17), Oregon (27), Pennsylvania (160), Rhode Island (24), South Carolina (43), South Dakota (4), Tennessee (52), Texas (130), Utah (7), Vermont (13), Virginia (109), Washington (76), West Virginia (5), Wisconsin (59), Wyoming (6). Other: District of Columbia (7), Puerto Rico (3).

Other Countries: Canada (88), Chile (1), Finland (1), Hungary (1), Iceland (1), Japan (5), Republic of Korea (1), Mexico (2), Spain (3), Thailand (1), UAE (1), Ukraine (1).

90th Annual Junior Showmanship Competition

Monday-Tuesday, May 13 & 14, 2024

There are 104 young handlers between the ages of 9-18 competing from 33 states, with the most entries representing Colorado (11 entries.)

Junior Showmanship Entries by Location

States (33): Alaska (1), Arizona (2), California (9), **Colorado (11)**, Connecticut (2), Florida (9), Georgia (4), Hawaii (2), Illinois (1), Indiana (1), Iowa (1), Louisiana (2), Maine (1), Maryland (1), Massachusetts (3), Michigan (9), Minnesota (2), Missouri (2), New Jersey (3), New York (1), North Carolina (2), Ohio (4), Oklahoma (1), Oregon (1), Pennsylvania (5), Rhode Island (1), South Carolina (2), Tennessee (2), Texas (3), Utah (1), Virginia (6), Washington (7), Wisconsin (2).

11th Annual Masters Agility Championship presented by Purina Pro Plan

Saturday, May 11, 2024

All agility entries will be submitted by the April 10, 2024, deadline. The entry breakdown will be distributed in late April. The Masters Agility Finals will air on FOX from 2-4:30 p.m. ET, on Sunday, May 12.

9th Annual Masters Obedience Championship presented by Purina Pro Plan

Saturday, May 11, 2024

There are 25 dogs entered from 11 states, led by Pennsylvania (6). Border Collie (7) is the breed with the most entries.

Obedience Entries by Breed

Breeds (11): Australian Shepherd (1), Belgian Malinois (1), Border Collie (7), English Springer Spaniel (2), German Shorthaired Pointer (1), Golden Retriever (6), Labrador Retriever (2), Nova Scotia Duck Tolling Retriever (1), Papillon (1), Siberian Husky (1), Standard Schnauzer (2).

Obedience Entries by Location

States (11): Connecticut (2), Florida (2), Illinois (3), Indiana (1), Michigan (1), North Dakota (1), New Jersey (4), New York (4), **Pennsylvania (6)**, Virginia (1), Washington (1).

***** All entry counts are subject to the final AKC audit. *****

For more information, visit westminsterkennelclub.org.

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About the Westminster Kennel Club

The Westminster Kennel Club, established in 1877, is America's oldest organization dedicated to the sport of showing dogs. It hosts the iconic, all-breed Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show, the second-longest, continuously held sporting event in the U.S. after the Kentucky Derby and, since 1948, the longest nationally televised live dog show. The Club's mission is to enhance the lives of all dogs by celebrating the companionship of dogs and promoting responsible dog ownership and breed preservation. The Club advocates for purpose-bred dogs, with an understanding that each breed has a legacy and history that deserves to be taught, honored, and preserved. The Club uses education to raise awareness and encourage owners to conscientiously select dogs that are the right match for their families. The annual dog show—a conformation competition for purpose-bred dogs—and the Masters Agility Championship and Masters Obedience Championship—where dogs from all backgrounds are eligible to compete—make Westminster Week, with thousands of dogs from the U.S. and around the world, a pinnacle experience for any dog lover. The Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show has captivated canine enthusiasts for more than a century. Learn more at westminsterkennelclub.org.

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