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FOX SPORTS UNLEASHES ITS PACK FOR 2018 WESTMINSTER KENNEL CLUB DOG SHOW

FOX, FS1, Nat Geo WILD & FOX Sports GO Present More Coverage
of “Westminster Week” Than Ever Before

**Shannon Sharpe and Kristine Leahy Join Cast of Familiar FOX Sports Faces
Covering 142nd Annual Show from New York City**

Masters Agility Championship at Westminster Moves to FOX Broadcast Network

New York – With football’s big game come and gone, another breed of athlete is getting ready for its turn in the spotlight, as FOX Sports and Nat Geo WILD present more coverage of “Westminster Week” than ever before from Sunday, Feb. 11, through Tuesday, Feb. 13. Headlining the networks’ coverage are several familiar faces from FOX Sports’ live event and studio programming, including Westminster Kennel Club newcomers Super Bowl Champion, NFL Hall of Famer and co-host of SKIP AND SHANNON: UNDISPUTED **Shannon Sharpe** and co-host of THE HERD WITH COLIN COWHERD **Kristine Leahy**.

Also new in 2018, the Masters Agility Championship at Westminster moves to the FOX broadcast network for the first time ever, from 2:00-4:30 PM ET on Sunday, Feb. 11. Play-by-play announcer **Justin Kutcher**, analyst **Terry Simons** and reporter **Jennifer Hale** return to call the fifth annual event from Piers 92 and 94 in New York City to kick off Westminster Week.

Gail Miller Bisher, the voice of the Westminster Kennel Club, and veteran FOX Sports announcer **Chris Myers** return to the broadcast podium at Madison Square Garden for FS1’s primetime telecasts of the 142nd annual Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show from 8:00-11:00 PM ET on Monday and Tuesday, Feb. 12-13, and are joined by longtime judge **Jason Hoke**. Also returning to this year’s broadcast, FOX Sports’ **Karyn Bryant** interviews the group and Best in Show winners and judges, and **Jenny Taft** reprises her role as the event’s host, welcoming viewers in to the second-longest continuously running national sporting event.

Sharpe joins FS1’s primetime coverage of the Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show Monday and Tuesday nights, showcasing the human side of the nation’s top canine event. He also serves as a floor reporter during daytime breed judging on Nat Geo WILD on Monday and Tuesday from 1:00-4:00 PM ET.

Leahy joins FOX Sports’ Westminster Kennel Club coverage as a correspondent during FS1’s evening coverage and as a floor reporter during Nat Geo WILD’s daytime coverage. Leahy tracks social engagement during this year’s event, including for Westminster Kennel Club’s “Best at

Home” contest. Viewers are encouraged to share photos and videos of their own dogs on Twitter, Instagram or Facebook for a chance to crown their pet with this unique honor. Click [HERE](#) for the official rules.

During daytime breed judging on Nat Geo WILD on Monday and Tuesday, Kutcher is joined by **Kimberly Meredith-Cavanna** and **Don Sturz** live from Piers 92 and 94, where Sharpe, Leahy, Hale and **Rachel Bonnetta** serve as floor reporters. Bonnetta is also FOX Sports’ digital correspondent with hits live on the [FOX Sports Facebook page](#) from behind the scenes at Madison Square Garden ahead of group judging both nights and from the Best In Show press conference.

The full schedule of Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show coverage on FOX, FS1, Nat Geo WILD and FOX Sports GO can be found below and at [WestminsterKennelClub.org](#).

For more information on FOX Sports’ coverage of the Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show, including photography, visit [FOX Sports Press Pass](#).

2018 Westminster Week Programming Schedule

Date	Time	Event	Network
Sunday, Feb. 11	2:00-4:30 PM ET	Masters Agility Championship at Westminster	FOX
	8:00-10:00 PM ET	Road to Westminster	Nat Geo WILD
Monday, Feb. 12	8:30 AM-5:00 PM ET	Breed Judging, Junior Showmanship Preliminaries, Masters Obedience Championship	FOX Sports GO & WestminsterKennelClub.org
	1:00-4:00 PM ET	Select Breed Judging, Masters Obedience Championship	Nat Geo WILD
	7:00-8:00 PM ET	Best of 2016 Westminster Dog Show	FS1
	8:00-11:00 PM ET	Dog Show Group Competitions	FS1
	11:00-11:30 PM ET	Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show Post-Show	FS1
Tuesday, Feb. 13	8:00 AM-4:00 PM ET	Breed Judging, Junior Showmanship Preliminaries	FOX Sports GO & WestminsterKennelClub.org
	1:00-4:00 PM ET	Select Breed Judging, Junior Showmanship Preliminaries	Nat Geo WILD
	7:00-8:00 PM ET	Crowned: Inside the 2017 Westminster Dog Show	FS1
	8:00-11:00 PM ET	Dog Show Group Competitions & Best In Show	FS1
	11:00-11:30 PM ET	Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show Post-Show	FS1

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