

Basset Griffon Vendéen (Grand)

11 / 10 / 2019

NO SHOWS LAST WEEKEND and nobody contacted me with news from any exploits. However I did see via facebook that Fiona Buchanan and Pam MacGregor made their way to Ireland for the 2 day International Show. On the first day judge was Mr Knight, DGS, BOB and winning the group was Pam and Claire MacGregor's Ir Ch Claeala Reaumur ShCM, Reserve Green Star Bailey's Tarmachan Ice Cool, BGS Fiona and Michael MacLaren's Ch/Ned Ch Tarmachan Ice Diamond, Reserve Green Star Claire and Pam's Dit Donc Du Greffier Du Roi. BP went to Claire and Pam's Claeala You And I Are A Team.

On the second day Grands were judged by Mr R Oliveira, DGS (and gaining his Irish title) was Ice Cool, Reserve GS Reaumur, BGS and BOB (gaining her International title) was Ice Diamond who also gained Group 3, and Reserve GS to Dit Donc. BP was again You And I Are A Team. Although not on the official results page I believe the puppy won the puppy group. Many congrats to both exhibitors on a successful trip.

Linda Skerritt has gone all Miss Marple on us and writes the following: "I've been doing some investigating into missing critiques, one of which is for GBGVs at Border Union where Jolanda Huisman didn't realise she had to write a critique. Although in the initial contract it does seem that, nowadays, with the absence of Our Dogs envelopes and a note placed in the judge's folder, some overseas judges who are unfamiliar with our KC requirements have no reminder of the need to produce a written critique on the first two places.

Another was Frank Kane's for GBGVs at Paignton this year. He told me he handed it into the Our Dogs trade stand at the show. Although OD said they hadn't received it, Sue Marshall solved the mystery. The critique was printed in their 16 August edition but under Basset Griffon Vendéen (Petit). It was never included on their website as there they published the PBGV critique twice. At the time of writing, this has still not been amended."

CLAIRE COOPER 07855 255287, clairecooper81@hotmail.co.uk