

SOUTHERN DAY OF THE BGV, 16 July 2012



Sunday morning brought blue skies and sunshine which seemed like a miracle having gone through a deluge the day before. It was great to see our regular supporters along with many new members with their brand new puppies. After a refreshing cuppa we started the day off with the Lure Coursing. Well we drew quite a crowd and at one point I did feel like taking a hat round. There are definitely some BGVs that have got it and some that won't be fooled by a piece of white rag being whipped round the ring. It seemed to me that the orange and white Petits had the edge and of course the Podengos were good too (same colour). Our pictures convey what great fun it all was. What made the day so special was the fantastic spread that Steph Jefford and Mr 'Quiche' Gareth provided for us. The variety of quiches, dressings and puddings even crumble and custard, well what more can I say. Everybody was very appreciative and I'm doing my utmost to ensure they can repeat the performance next year. They were awarded two BGV Stars!!

Our Fun Agility was won by Claire Dalgarno with Mason who is more used to showing and junior handling than jumping so perhaps he can now take on a new discipline. Linda Boyns, our judge for the day, had to make some tough decisions with the fun classes, with breeds ranging from BGVs to Bichon Frise. Everybody was pleased with their rosettes and prizes which included shampoo samples from Animology and food samples from Red Mills so a big thank you to them.



Janet and David Kyd with their Petit Dash were Best in Show and with their wins on the raffle were quite overcome as they don't normally win anything. That's what happens when you go to a BGV Fun Day. Jack Mayles with his new Nykarth puppy Bodie was Best Puppy in Show, you may remember Jack was Best in Show last year with a borrowed Petit and now this year he won with his own!



All in all we had a day to remember and I am pleased to announce that once all monies are in we won't be much short of raising £200.00 for the BGV Club Welfare and Rescue. So a big thank you to you all for coming, for your raffle donations and the lovely cake we all enjoyed with our afternoon tea. Taking a step back my helpers and I took a lot of pleasure seeing everybody having such fun with their dogs and that is what a Fun Day is all about - just perfect.

Sue Brundle