

Basset Griffon Vendéen (Grand)

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DARLINGTON SAW A CHANGE OF JUDGE. We had Val Foss judging rather than Mandy Dance. The change was announced in plenty of time for her name to be in the catalogue. We were scheduled fourth in the ring, however due to the length of time taken to judge the preceding breeds the Afghans were moved in to a different ring and as such we were third in the ring.

There was an entry of 12 with four absentees. Best Dog, BOB and Group 4 under Anne Macdonald was Fiona Buchanan and Michael MacLaren's Ch /Ir Ch Tarmachan Cartier. I think this is his fourth group placing this year - many congrats. Best Bitch went to his litter sister Ch /Ir Ch Tarmachan Florentine. Reserves went to litter mates Gairside Good Lord and Good Gracious owned by Colin and Ann Makey. Best Puppy was Fiona and Mike's Tarmachan Nice Over Ice. Best Veteran was my Ch Debucher Xfactor who went on to win Veteran G3 under Patsy Hollings. From memory that is two adults, two puppies and two veterans which have been placed in groups this year. It's great to see the GBGV being recognised in the big ring! Many congrats must also go to our smaller cousin "Magic Mike" on another BIS!

In the stakes classes Nice Over Ice was third in the Puppy Stakes under Mike Gilchrist and Good Lord won the RBOB stakes, again under Mike Gilchrist. Well done to everyone on a fabulous day!

A reminder that the schedule for the club Championship Show to be held on 18 November is on www.fossedata.co.uk and www.bgvclub.co.uk/diary-dates. Postal entries close on 18 October and on-line 29 October. More details to follow.

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