

## **PBGV Stakes**

Judge: Mike Caple (Morsefield)

Delighted to be asked to judge the Special Stakes (Petit) at the Basset Griffon Vendéen Club's 30th Championship Show. Thank you to the Committee for the hospitality shown. I was very pleased with the entry, thank you to the exhibitors for giving me the opportunity of assessing your delightful hounds. Altogether a most enjoyable show. I was looking for a well balanced hound, hopefully with all the breed requisites, of correct proportions( 1: 1.4) soundly constructed, which would enable it to move out with both forward reach and drive, all wrapped up in a harsh double jacket.

Special Junior (6,1) 1 Lewis' TANGAER CHAMLEE Very typey 16mth bitch of lovely size and proportions, was a standout here, most lovely head and expression, so very well constructed, pleased in both forehand (well filled front and snug fitting elbows) and hindquarters (good width, well angulated stifle and well let down hocks), well ribbed back with slight rise over loin, well set stern of correct length and carried correctly, her sound construction enabled her to move out with both reach and drive, her carriage and demeanour was a joy to behold. 2 Bartley's ERYLAN LOKI MAITRE DU MAL Promising 10mth male pup, pleasing stamp of a dog, of rugged appearance, liked his balance, outline and construction, has the required head properties, strong square jaw, dark eye, and fine leathers, moved out smartly and soundly 3 Wyllie's TANGAER CALVERA AVEC CALLYDENA

Special Post Graduate (3,2) 1 Eaton's LINPHIL KILI Alone but deserving of his placing, this 18mth male is a handsome hound of excellent breed type, very much in the mould of his sire, projects a well balanced outline with the required angulation front and rear, good bone/feet, firm level topline, harsh textured jacket, moved out with a good stride, still needing to settle in his front.

Special Open (6,1) 1 Lewis' TANGAER CHARLES BRONSEN Handsome houndy male of 16mths, excels in breed type. I see from the catalogue that he is litter brother to Chamlee, what a litter! Lovely stamp of a dog with super outline and balance, has all the requisite breed points, very well constructed, his movement was free striding and sound, and has a fabulous jacket of excellent texture. 2 Gilluley's HALISTON DIDIER ShCM Fully mature 4yr male close up to 1, of rugged appearance, liked his head proportions and detail. Fine leathers, pleased in outline and balance. Held a firm topline. Well set stern carried correctly, moved out soundly with an easy action. 3 Foote's ERYLAN APHRODITE LA BELLE

## **GBGV Stakes**

Judge: Rachel Wray (Perrault)

Thank you for inviting me to judge the Special Award Classes and thank you to those who stayed to the end of the show until these classes were held.

Special Junior (3,2) 1 Buchanan & MacLaren's TARMACHAN NICE OVER ICE D, 12mths. Just out of puppy, well proportioned youngster. Masculine head with enough length to muzzle. Slight roman nose and large nostrils. Ears well set. Moderate length to neck to level topline and good forechest of good depth. Ribbed well back to firm loin . Topline still to tighten a little. Moved out very freely with nice drive.

Special Post Graduate (2,1) 1 Marshall's SILVAMOON SAFFRON AVEC SOUFRIERE B, 3yrs. Very pretty well furnished head. Large dark eye with excellent pigment. Low set ears of good length . Long clean neck into firm topline. Good forechest and deep brisket. Well angled fore and aft. Straight forelegs to tight feet. Level topline and good loin. Tail of good length carried correctly on the move. Correct harsh coat. Lovely free stride in profile.

Special Open (3) 1 Makey's GAIRSIDE GOOD GRACIOUS B, 2yrs. Presented a balanced outline and in excellent hard coat. Head of good proportions, with slight roman nose, large nostrils , low set ears of good length. Large dark oval eyes .Well laid shoulder into firm topline held well on the move. Forechest well developed with good ribbing to firm loin with slight rise. Good length to tail carried correctly on the move. Moved out very freely with a nice elastic gait. 2 Makey's GAIRSIDE GOOD LORD JW ShCM Litter brother to the first and similar remarks apply. Well boned throughout. Very attractive head, masculine without coarseness. Good length to ears, strong clean neck into level topline. Deep brisket and firm topline, tail of good length. Straight forelegs to well padded feet. Just felt the litter sister moved out better in this class.