

Basset Griffon Vendéen (Grand)

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BIRMINGHAM NATIONAL was a bit cool underneath the outdoor tents, in fact I think it was warmer out of the tents! Hound day was a complete contrast to the day before when the sun shone brightly. Our Judge Jill Peak judged outdoors on both days and remarked that the day before she had been too hot and on Hound day too cold!

There was a respectable entry of 27, which was marred by 9 absentees. DCC and BOB went to Fiona Buchanan and Michael MacLaren's Ch /Ir Ch Tarmachan Cartier, RDCC (his first) was Danielle Machent and Barbara Milton's Tioga Lautrec with Grandoreille (Ch Debucher Matisse ex Tioga Dot to Dot) bred by Anita Roberts. BCC, her second, was Colin and Ann Makey's Gairside Good Gracious so it is now a race between her and her brother to see who gets made up first! RCC was Fiona and Michael's Tarmachan Ice Diamond, BP Barabara's Wilmit Independence Day. Later in the day under Mark Cocozza Cartier was Group 2 . Many congratulations!

I only know of one stakes result which was 5th in the Special Beginners stakes for Yvonne Moul's Debucher Zamba under Phil Freer.

This weekend sees us traveling over the border to SKC, it is also the weekend of the Elevage, the French national show – hopefully I will have results of both these for you in the next notes.

As always news and views welcome!

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