

Basset Griffon Vendéen (Grand)

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THERE WILL BE ONE WORD that sums up the World Dog Show – Frosty!!!

First an overview. It all kicked off on Thursday 9 August with the Benelux Winners Show. Organised chaos springs to mind when thinking of the parking (it took us 1 hour to get in to the car park). I didn't get to see any GBGV judging until the World Show day but thankfully, due to the online catalogue and pretty much instantaneous results, I could keep an eye on the proceedings. The judge was Janusz Opara from Poland and the results from 9 entries were:

Dog CAC, CACIB & BOB (later Group winner and BIS 3) Frosty Snowman, owned by Gwen Huikeshoven and Phil Reid, bred by Phil Reid.

Reserve Dog CAC & CACIB Ch/Ir Ch Tarmachan Cartier owned and bred by Fiona Buchanan and Michael MacLaren.

Bitch CAC & CACIB Tarmachan Ice Diamond owned and bred by Fiona Buchanan and Michael MacLaren.

Reserve Bitch CAC & CACIB Tinkerbelle Van Tum-Tums Vriendjes owned and bred by Gwen Huikeshoven.

Best of Breed Junior Míngrands Frozen Flakes owned by Gwen Huikeshoven and bred by Hanna Leinonen in Finland. He was also Junior Group 2.

Best Minor Puppy (4-6 Months) Black Majesty My Trouble Only owned and bred by Iva Raic from Croatia.

The Group 6 speciality show was judged by Jose Luis Payro Duenas from Mexico who again had 9 entered and the results:

Dog CAC and BOB was Ch / Ir Ch Tarmachan Cartier – this win made him eligible to be a Dutch Champion as at all three shows it was a double CAC awarded and he had gained the CAC the previous day due to Frosty already being a Champion.

Reserve Dog CAC was Eneossens Alvar Aalto owned and bred by Catrin Hulten from Sweden.

Bitch CAC was Miss Magic Van Tum-Tums Vriendjes owned and bred by Gwen Huikeshoven.

Reserve Bitch CAC was Tarmachan Ice Diamond.

Best Puppy was Sunflower Van Tum-Tums Vriendjes owned and bred by Gwen Huikeshoven.

Best Junior was Enemossens Heart Of Iva Owned and bred by Catrin Hulten.

Best Working was Plaisir Du Coeur Van de Viersenhoeve owned and bred by Karin van Viersen.

The World Show saw Jan Coppens from the Netherlands centre stage and he had an entry of 15:

Dog CAC, CACIB and BOB went to Frosty Snowman.

Reserve Dog CAC, his son Míngrands Frozen Flake.s

Reserve dog CACIB Ch/Ir Ch Tarmachan Cartier

Bitch CAC & CACIB Tarmachan Black Ice owned by Gwen Huikeshove, bred by Fiona Buchanan and Mike MacLaren.

Reserve Bitch CAC & CACIB Black Majesty Farandole owned and bred by Iva Raic from Croatia.

Best Minor Puppy was Black Majesty My Trouble Only.

Best Puppy was Forget Me Not Van Tum-Tums Vriendjes owned and bred by Gwen Huikeshoven.

Best Working was Plaisir Du Coeur Van de Viersenhoeve Owned and bred by Karin van Viersen

Best Veteran was Black Majesty Farandole who was Best Veteran in Show.

Flakes won the Junior Group and returned on the final day to become reserve Best Junior in Show, Frosty won Group 6 and then won BIS under Rony Doedjins. On behalf of us all I send congratulations to Gwen Huikeshove and Phil Reid. Phil himself was a big winner as his and Dianne's Ch Maudaxi Jimmy Choo won BIS Progeny at the World Show.

With all this excitement I must remember that Bournemouth took place. Judith Robin Smith was centre stage on what I gather was a wet day so all judging took place under cover. From an entry of 12 Best Dog and BOB was Colin and Ann Makey's Gairside Good Lord JW SHCM. They also gained Best Bitch with Ch Gairside Good Gracious. Val Jackson and Peter Marks picked up both reserves with a mother son duo, Duntech Georges was Reserve Best Dog and also Best Puppy, with Coco Chanel at Duntch Reserve Best Bitch. I see that Hilary Knowles won the Special Beginners class with Anya Hindmarch Avec Braillement so I presume that she was Best Special Beginner even though it isn't stated on Higham Press.

The summer madness moves on to Wales (which will be my fifth country in less than a week!) See you all there!

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