

Basset Griffon Vendéen (Grand)

31 / 8 / 2018

EVERY TIME I CROSS THE BORDER to SKC I take my hat off to the Scottish exhibitors who do the trip week in week out!

Robert Greaves was our judge and from an entry of ten he had 9 present (5 dogs and 4 bitches). Dog CC (number 35) and Best of Breed was Ch /Ir Ch Tarmachan Cartier owned by Fiona Buchanan and Michael MacLaren. He was later shortlisted in the group under Phil Freer who has given him a CC previously and mentioned him in the recent Kennel Gazette article on the breed. Reserve DCC was Ellie Harris and Amelia Theodorou's Debcher Bizet. Bitch CC (number 6) was Colin and Ann Makey's Ch Gariside Good Gracious, with Fiona and Michael picking up Reserve BCC with Ch / Ir Ch Tarmachan Florentine. Best Puppy was Vivien Phillips' Debucher Letitia.

Many congrats to our smaller cousins who gained Hound Group 1 and Best in Show for Magic Mike, a Hound group veteran win for Ch Tangaer Rhapsody at Callydena ShCM and a third in the Hound puppy group to Afterglow Agnes Gru avec Jayanel.

Over in Ireland the GBGV flag was flown by Pamela MacGregor on the Irish circuit. These shows used to be so popular with the British exhibitors and it is a shame to see only three entered at each show. From the results I found on the internet, Ir Ch Claela Reamur picked up 3 Green stars, 2 Best of Breeds and 1 group 3. Claela Avrille at Eardley picked up 3 Green stars and 1 reserve green star with 1 Best of Breed, and their puppy Dit Donc Du Greffier Du Roi picked up 1 green star, 1 Best of Breed and 2 reserve green stars. Many congrats.

As always news and views welcomed.

CLAIRE COOPER 07855 255287, clairecooper81@hotmail.co.uk