

Basset Griffon Vendéen (Petit)

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DRIFFIELD and the weather changed ominously with many fearing a repeat of last year's appalling show conditions at Wetherby Racecourse. Although windy, with exhibitors being a stalwart bunch, judging took place as planned with 23 PBGVs present for Eddie Webster to go over. DCC and BOB went to Oliver & Erin Robertson, Lizzie Greenslade & Cathy Neill's Ir Ch Soletrader Buddy Holly (Ch Soletrader Magic Mike ex Debucher Ristourne with Soletrader) with Reserve to Phil & Dianne Reid's Maudaxi Nick Nack (Ch Maudaxi Jimmy Choo ex Trezeguet Treacle Sponge at Maudaxi). Bitch CC, her second, went to Ray and Gail Foote & Erin McAulay's Erylan Aphrodite La Belle (Ch Taglines Double The Fun with Soletrader ex Clonallan Just Beginning avec Erylan), RBCC Kath Bamford's Tangaer Amour (Debucher Quel Chance avec Tangaer ex Putjade Utterly Butterly). BP also went to the Foote / McAulay partnership with Erylan Hebe La Jeune Fille (Ch Soletrader Tom Thumb ex Erylan Aphrodite La Belle).

In the Eukanuba Pup of the Year Stakes third place in Puppy Dog went to Bartley's Erylan Zeus Roi Des Dieux, from the same litter as Hebe La Jeune Fille.

It was lovely to receive some photos from David & Daphne Beck of Monkams Calista celebrating her 17th birthday. Sally's litter sister was Mindy (Café Au Lait), a seasoned show campaigner who herself reached the grand age of nearly 16. Born in 2001, their sire was Ch/Am Ch Afterglow Woody Woodpecker, their dam Monkams Dana Scully. When Sally's photo appeared on facebook, it was great to hear from the owner of another elderly Monkams lady. Litter sister of Dixie Chick and Dorothy Perkins, who both died within the past year or so, Didi Pickles is now 15½yrs and still going strong.

This Sunday the BGVC 40th anniversary fun day takes place at Steventon Village Hall, Oxon OX13 6RR. Make sure you are there for a chance to win one of the mountain of prizes available for the many games lined up. For details contact Joan Robertson on 01235 851914 or joaniws71@gmail.com.

And, finally, news of another Club event. Mounted in line with the forthcoming Judges Competency Framework, a Breed Appreciation Day (BAD) with Multi Choice Exam (MCE) is taking place on Saturday 10 November at Corley Village Hall, Corley, Coventry CV7 8AZ. Breed speaker will be Gavin Robertson. The day will commence at 9.30am with PBGVs and GBGVs in the afternoon starting at 1pm. For more details contact the Club's Breed Education Co-ordinator Claire Cooper on 07855 255287 or clairecooper81@hotmail.co.uk. The day is advertised on www.bgvclub.co.uk/diary-dates and on the Club's facebook page, with further information to follow.

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