

Basset Griffon Vendéen (Petit)

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ONLY ONE PBGV at Belfast where judge Mrs H Kanoo (Bahrain) awarded BD and BOB to Ir Ch Soletrader Buddy Holly owned by Robertson, Greenslade & Neill. He went on to Hound Group 4 under Mr C K Thornton. Now well into the autumnal weather, at South Wales this weekend replacement judge Helen Bamforth has an entry of 26/30.

With a more overcast sky than we have been used to of late, the third BGVC fun day of the year took place last weekend at Steventon Village Hall in Oxfordshire where around 75 people enjoyed a relaxed afternoon of fun and games. Joan Robertson had worked incredibly hard before the event, not least raising sponsorship and, on the day, she was supported by local BGV folk Phil & Dianne Reid, Tina Parker, and Amanda O'Day, with Peter Marks who stewarded for the fun classes. For various reasons, not least distance, prior engagements or puppies, committee members were thin on the ground, though Kathryn Moulding managed to get there from Sussex as did Sue Brundle who had her stall; and the ubiquitous Kim Culyer-Dawson was, as ever, multi-tasking. Tim Jennings was the photographer and has since received many bouquets for his photos on facebook. Some are also on the club website with a few kept back for the winter newsletter. Fun classes were judged by Professor Peter Bedford, more usually seen testing PBGV's eyes. BIS went to an amiable Korthals Griffon owned by Sue Hanson, with BPIS going to 3mth old PBGV Rosie, handled by a rather pleased looking Jacob Scott, grandson of Lynne Scott. Best Veteran "Golden Oldie" was Ollie, a rescue Petit with only one eye, belonging to David Townsend & Nicole Neville.

The next appearance of BGVs is at Discover Dogs, ExCel, London on 20/21 October. There you can meet hundreds of dogs, chat to owners, discover a vast range of shops and watch world-class displays and competitions. A great day out for the whole family! Over 200 breeds will be there, including Petits and Grands, an opportunity for you to catch up with friends and talk about your favourite breed. Following that the Club's club Breed Appreciation Day takes place on 10 November at Corley Village Hall, near Coventry. A reminder that a booking form is on www.bgvclub.co.uk/diary-dates and bookings should go to Claire Cooper on clairecooper81@hotmail.co.uk. Finally entries are starting to arrive at fossedata for the BGVC Championship Show on 24 November at Ryton-on-Dunsmore. Breed judges are BGV (Grand) Linda Mackenzie (Limier); BGV (Petit) Alan Curry (Lodore) with BIS and Junior Handling being judged by Val Jackson (Duntech). Make sure you enter the stakes classes as, to commemorate this special 40th anniversary of the club, the prize money has been increased to £25 for the winner of each class. BGV (Grand) Stakes judge is Imogen Clark and BGV (Petit) Stakes Richard Bott (Quensha/Allenie).

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