## Basset Griffon Vendéen (Grand)

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SOUTH WALES WAS BITTERLY COLD. Awaking the morning of a show to heavy rain always fills me with dread however it did brighten up as the day progressed. The following morning in Wales was even colder, with a need to scrape the windscreens before setting off.

Linda Skerrit was centre stage, from an entry of 17 all were present. She found her dog CC (number 4 and hot on the heels of number 3) in Colin and Ann Makey's Ch Gairside Good Lord JW ShCM which made the celebrations for his Champion party a little sweeter for them I am sure. Reserve Dog CC was awarded to Danielle Baston and Barbara Milton's Tioga Lautrec with Grandoreille. Bitch CC and BOB (number 6?) was awarded to Fiona Buchanan and Michael MacLaren's Ch Tarmachan Ice Diamond. Reserve Bitch CC and Best Veteran was Amanda O'Day's Ch Silvamoon Sweet Sapphire ShCM. Best Puppy was Fiona and Mike's Macaroni V Tum-Tums Vriendjes of Tarmachan. "Mac" was shortlisted in the puppy group under Mark Coccozza.

Another weekly reminder about two things: firstly entries for the BGV Club show are being taken and close on line on 5 November 2018. Judges are Linda MacKenzie and Imogen Clark doing the Stakes which have increased prize money this year.

Secondly the BGV Breed Appreciation Day takes place on 10 November. This includes the multi choice exam which will be required going forward to judge the breed(s) at open show level.

In these quieter days of no Championship shows please do keep me updated with open show wins.

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