

## **Basset Griffon Vendéen (Grand)**

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BIRMINGHAM NATIONAL is the first outdoor show of the season for us, centre stage was Jeff Bunney, he only had 1 absentee from his entry.

Dog CC and Best of Breed was a first for dog (and possibly owners Bailey & Yates) Tarmachan Ice Cool handled on the day by Fiona Buchanan. Fiona and Michael MacLaren also picked up the Reserve Dog CC with Macaroni V Tum-Tums Vriendjes of Tarmachan. Bitch CC, her third, was Barbara Milton's Wilmit Independence Day JW – all three CCs have been this year at only three shows that have tickets available. Barbara also picked up the CC with Jenny in Dandie Dinmonts so a fabulous day for her. Reserve CC was Colin and Ann Makey's Ch / Bel Ch Gairside Good Lord JW ShCM. They were also Best Veteran with Ir Ch Gairside Ferdinand JW ShCM, who went Veteran Group 4 under John Walton Haddon. Best Puppy was Anita Roberts Tioga Opahr. I also see that the Tarmachan hounds picked up a win in the Hound Breeders competition under Frank Kane. Many congratulations to all concerned.

I was not at The National as I was undertaking this year's charity bike trek from London to Paris, 270 miles in 3 days of sunshine, laughter and a bit of desired language! See some of you in Scotland.

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