

## **Basset Griffon Vendéen (Grand)**

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APOLOGIES FOR THE LACK OF NOTES last week but I was in Wales with a mobile phone which my network providers had decided to cut off due to an unpaid bill which was due to the bank cancelling the wrong direct debit. All is now sorted but was rather annoying at the time!

Bournemouth show was battered by high winds on the Saturday and there were a number of campers affected. However the show went on and I know there was an awful lot of praise for the show committee with judging only being delayed by 15 minutes or so on the first day whilst benching tents were secured. The new in/out layout was popular, however to be critical had it rained the in bit of the ring was not big enough to show the dogs in and it was somewhat crowded around the rings as the grooming areas were rather small, and you could not be 6ft away from the ring with your cage if you tried.

Heidi Allenby was awarding CCs for the first time. She had 14 hounds present from her entry of 17. Dog CC, Best of Breed and Best Veteran was Fiona Buchanan and Michael MacLaren's Ch / Ir Ch Tarmachan Cartier, Reserve Dog CC went to their Ch Macaroni v Tum-Tums Vriendjes of Tarmachan. Bitch CC was Colin and Ann Makey's Ch / Bel / Int Ch Gairside Good Gracious, Reserve BCC Anita Roberts' Tioga Opihr, with Best Puppy going to Fiona and Michael's Tarmachan Mr Myosotis.

Stakes results, Mr Myosotis was second in the Puppy Dog stakes under Helen Wayman, and Ir Ch Gairside Ferdinand was second in the Veteran stakes under Jeff Luscott.

Moving on to Welsh Kennel Club where there was torrential rain for most of the day and young Zac Butler thought was great to play in the puddles! Pam Marston Pollock's entry of 19 was depleted by 5. Again Cartier picked up the Dog CC, Best of Breed and Best Veteran, Reserve Dog CC was Ch / Bel / Int Ch Gairside Good Lord JW ShCM, Bitch CC Good Gracious, Res Bitch CC and Best Puppy Tarmachan Miss Impatiens. In the groups "Fergus" was placed Group 2 under Robert Greaves and Veteran Group 4 under Tony Allcock. Miss Impatiens also won the Minor Puppy Bitch stakes under Tom Johnston

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