## BTCO & BTC SPECIALTY WEEKEND EARTH DOG TEST AUGUST 29, 2016

The Earth dog Test was held at the SD&G Dog Show- Woodlands Campsite, Long Sault, ON

Committee - Test Secretary - Pam Dyer

Test Secretary Assistant – Linda Haugh Test Chair- Jen Holder

Grounds & Meals- Barb Hathorn & Carol Hindley

Quarry & - Grounds- Karen Nesbitt

Judges- Junior Earth dog- Marg Pough

Introduction to Quarry- Maria Sacco

IQ Entries 21

JE Entries 23 – 20 starters – 8 Qualifying scores

Due to time and venue restrictions the Clubs were only able to offer JE & IQ tests. BTCO was held in the a.m. and BTC in the p.m. Unfortunately the venue did not allow for a pre- training day which would have been the norm.

A big thank you to our Judges for working patiently with the dogs and handlers, giving encouragement and sharing their expertise where needed.

## The judges kindly donated their time and expertise to the clubs.

Several members of the executive were involved with the running of the BTCO Specialty & Sweeps, including holding a silent auction, hospitality and attending the BTC National AGM, BTCO AGM and Earth dog plus competing in the events.

## It was a lot of fun but as the volunteers will attest too 'a lot of work'.

The Earth dog event was made possible due to the driving force of Pam Dyer, working diligently with the CKC in order to hold the tests and the grounds staff at the Campsite to locate a suitable area to place the Den's.

A big thanks **to Pam & Chris Dyer** for all their hard work and for hauling the liners and all the paraphernalia required all the way from Quebec.

The dens were set on the beach with the lake as a back drop, a beautiful setting and although a little windy it was a bright sunny day.

## Thank you to the following people.

**Linda** bravely took on the position of assistant Secretary doing a fantastic job with the paperwork and assisting in other area's as needed.

**Barb** worked hard helping dig trenches, putting up fences and wherever there was a job to do Barb buckled in. **Carol and Barb** outdid themselves cooking and donating a Gourmet a breakfast and lunch for our judges.

**Karen** acquired the quarry and assisted with gate stewarding. **Sandy Anderson** for the great photographs.

**Jen**, gate stewarding, running interference, set up and take down.

If I have left out anyone please accept my apologies and thanks..

Respectfully,

Jen Holder Test Chair.



