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Photo: International and local coaches with some of the advanced players in this year's Summer Camp

International coaches arrive for ATA Summer Camp

ANGUILLA—For the past week of the Anguilla Tennis Academy (ATA) Summer Camp is being directed by international coaches Chris Wade of Dallas Texas and Lance Lee of Philadelphia assisted by Matt Yonover from Chicago, Illinois. Over 90 children are participating this year in the camp that is organized and directed by Mitchelle Lake, Founder and President of the ATA. This is the third week of the camp that has been held every year for the past sixteen years.

Wade serves as the Athletic Director at T Bar M where he has helped build the club's professional staff from 11 professionals in 1997 to its current 27. Currently, T BAR M Tennis Academy has been ranked #1 in the USA according to the Prince Performance Cup. He attended Baylor University where he earned four-year letterman status.

Lee currently serves as the Director of Tennis of Arthur Ashe Youth Tennis & Education center- A USTA certified Regional Training Center. He is also the head men's and women's tennis coach for Philadelphia University.

Lake commented about the international coaches saying, "The participants in the camp and our local coaches will benefit from the wealth of knowledge and experience that Chris and Lance bring to the summer tennis programme. Indeed, the knowledge and skills that they will impart to our children and coaches will help to elevate both the standard of play and coaching at the Anguilla Tennis Academy. The ATA continues to make a positive difference in the lives of our children and it is an important institution to the social fabric of this society."

The Anguilla Tennis Academy is committed to developing healthy minds and providing educational opportunities for children through the sport of tennis. The academy was founded on the principle of using tennis as a vehicle to reach and empower children and to equip them with the skills and knowledge to become responsible citizens of their community. This is the 16th year that the Anguilla Tennis Academy is providing tennis instruction through its annual summer camp.