

Anguilla's Country Music Festival showing across USA

ANGUILLA—The Anguilla Country Music Festival that took place here on February 19 and 20 at Scilly Cay and the Dune Preserve was televised by Greg Travis, Executive Producer of Country Music Across America. The film is now being shown by Great American Country network and is reaching over 40 million US homes.

The event was a fundraiser for various children's charities in Anguilla including the Anguilla Tennis Academy (ATA), a tennis camp for children held every year for the past nine years that is now building a state of the art tennis facility.

The Festival received excellent reviews and was headed by Billy Ray Cyrus and Shannon Brown and showcased some of Nashville's top song writers including Chuck Cannon, Bob Dipiero, Kylis Sackley, Jeffrey Steele, Scotty Emerick and James Slater. Local performers that included Evan Webster, Ash Hodge and Bankie Banx also performed.

Some of the local sponsors were American Eagle/American Airlines, Cable and Wireless, National Bank of Anguilla, Caribbean Cable Communications, Coyaba Villas, Anguilla Great House and Shoal Bay Villas. President of the ATA, Michelle Lake said, "The media exposure for the island, its local artistes and the ATA is priceless. I want to thank all the sponsors and individuals who worked to make this event a success. We are receiving significant global support in our efforts to promote the ATA and our children. It is important that; the country continues to play its part in this endeavour so our children can reap the future benefits of the programme."

The Country Music Festival show is being aired locally by Caribbean Cable Communications.