

# Evil Twin Custom Cycle's Customer Appreciation Party

Evil Twin's owner, Robert Shinn, hosted a Customer Appreciation Party on Saturday April 1st. This yearly party is his way to say 'thank you' to his many customers, supporters, and friends; plus this time it gave everyone the opportunity to check out the shop's NEW location ~ which they moved into in January.

We arrived at Evil Twin Custom Cycles, now located at 58 N. Country Club in Mesa, to a full house. It was a sunny, warm, beautiful afternoon... Great for being out and about.

Music through the day by the Moon Doggers, in addition to Robert's band the Unknown Associates, kept everyone entertained.

Food was provided by Nick at the Fat Daddy's Beef Jerky hot dog cart, with Evil Twin hosting the lunch. Four kegs were tapped throughout the day,

also courtesy of Evil Twin.

Vendors included Phoenix Motor Leathers, Turtle Creations jewelry, Debbie's Pepper Jelly, A2Z Variety {flags, patches, & military-related items}, Drag Specialties, and jeweler Hal Brown Designs. TeeKay had a booth of swap meet items as well.

There were over 80 door prizes to give away INCLUDING 3 sets of tickets to see Jackyl that night at the Too Broke For Bike Week party. You could buy raffle tickets OR you could donate goods to the Food Bank in exchange for tickets.

Donations of non-perishable foodstuffs went to the local Salvation Army, still working to restock their warehouse after fire damage ruined much of their stored goods. A pallet of water plus a pickup truck full of food ~ an estimated 400# of dry goods

~ was collected.

The day also benefited the Jocelyn Tangitau Foundation {<http://www.jtfinc.org/>} which you'll read more about below.

The day wound down at 4:20pm ☺ This party always offers good music, good people, and a lot of love. It was a good time & we're glad we could be there.

*Bruce & Betsy*

*Thank you Robert for the add'l photos*

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## Ride for Life Benefits Jocelyn Tangitau Foundation

Anyone who is familiar with Robert of Evil Twin Custom Cycles knows that he & his wife Jeanne have been doing fundraisers for kids for years. The Ride for Life to benefit Jocelyn Tangitau Foundation was this year's beneficiary of their efforts.

We learned from Robert that this event along with his Customer Appreciation Party from the prior week raised \$2500 for the Foundation.

The ride departed from Evil Twin Custom Cycles, located at 58 N. Country Club in Mesa on April 8th. Between 50 – 60 bikes rolled out on a self-paced ride ending at The Hideaway in Cave Creek. The scenic route took riders up the Beeline and through Fountain Hills.

Creative Hands Cuisine brought their food truck

and of course plenty of adult-beverages were available.

Thank you to everyone who posted pix to Facebook to help show what a great day it was! Vuki Tangitau, father of Jocelyn, sent out thanks to Dane, F-Troop, Team Blaze, Evil Twin Custom Cycles, and everyone who supported the ride.

The Jocelyn Tangitau Foundation is a 501(C)3 charity that provides "pediatric palliative care to improve the quality of life for children and families suffering life-threatening, irreversible, and terminal health conditions." [from their website <http://www.jtfinc.org/>] Young Jocelyn's is a very inspiring story. Being stricken before her first birthday with a debilitating disease, Spinal Muscular Atrophy (SMA)

Type 1 ... a condition for which there is no cure, doctors had given her no more than 2 years of survival. She is now 7 years along ~ Thanks no doubt to her parents' absolute dedication to finding resources that could help their daughter and their refusal to accept the doctors' prognosis as the last word.

The Jocelyn Tangitau Foundation now advocates for other SMA children, and are working to establish a program to help other parents receive the care and support they need and deserve. Learn more about JTF at <http://www.jtfinc.org/> and follow them on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/jtfinc/>

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