



Wounded Vet Run

Phoenix's 1st Annual Wounded Vet Run took place on Saturday March 1st. This was the inaugural event for this charity ride. This year's beneficiary was Mason Steill.

[Photo top right,

with his Dad.] Mason is an Army Combat Medic whose unit ended up in the kill zone of an IED; while they were serving in Afghanistan. His resulting injuries were extensive. His story is detailed more thoroughly on the www.theyfoughtweridenational.com website.

Sign-in was at Harley Davidson of Scottsdale. Despite less than ideal weather, 150 riders came out to participate in the rain. Another 500 or so came out to show their support at the end party, hosted at the Salty Seniorita in Peoria.

Music at the end party was provided by 'Lovesick Saints', 'Rite to Remain' and 'Tridon'.

Sponsors were Hogan Guns, Ranger Up, Haymaker Restaurant, American Title, McCarthy Heart Hats, Hanro Studios, Dirty Dogg Saloon, H-D of Scottsdale, Salty

Senorita, Alliance Safety, Homeowners Financial Group, Ramjet Racing, RMJ Electrical Contractors, Earnhardt Hyundai, Maricopa Integrated Health System, DiamondBack Pool Service & Repair, Negrete Law Firm, BoF Arms, Military Assistance Mission, American Legion Riders, and Mad4Vets.

Thanks to the generosity of the event participants and sponsors, \$11K was collected to donate to Mason and his wife. Outstanding!

After the event, organizer Joe Stazione shared the comment, "We put a lot of time into what we did this year and Phoenix better look out for 2015! Everyone always said if you make this year good, you have to top it next year. We are looking forward to the challenge!!" Expect planning for the



2015 event to start in the next couple of months.

See more photos at /HDofScottsdale and /PhoenixWoundedVetsRun, both on FB. Thank you to Joe Stazione for his help with this report.

