

# Shady Jack's Mardi Gras Party

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Well as you can see by these pictures, advertising an event really does pay off. There were people flooding into the place all day. The original place to be on Mardi Gras, in the St. Louis area, is in the Soulard area. This is where the parade is held and will have a plethora of visitors. This year we were looking for something a little different. We found "different" at Shady Jack's. Jack and his staff had a great way to celebrate the day and night with a biker theme. The original plan was to ride to Shady Jack's and have a group ride to a secured parking lot to watch the parade. Then after the parade we were to go back to Shady Jack's to celebrate Mardi Gras, "Biker Style". The Streetfighterz Stunt Team was scheduled to perform. If it wasn't for the snow that fell the night before, I am sure it would have been even better.

The snow and cold didn't affect the indoor events. The bands played on and the airbrush body art was eye catching, to say the least. Matt of Visual Tonix painted the model with a mechanical theme. What really blew me away was the Indian Larry Tribute painting. He literally started with nothing and created an original painting as you can see in the photo. It was auctioned off to the highest bidder.

I wonder what Jack will think of for next year. If you are like me, you will be there again. See you there.

