



- 2012 FIS World Champion
- 2011-12 Overall World Cup Champion
- 2011 X-Games Gold Medalist
- 2012 X-Games Bronze Medalist
- 7-Time World Cup Gold Medalist*

•Evan has never lost a World Cup race...he has seven wins in seven starts!

Still Standing STRONG...



An unlikely start for one of the world's best snowboarders, Evan Strong grew up on the waves of Maui, seldom wearing shoes, let alone snow boots. At 11 he broke his surfboard, and couldn't afford a new one. A friend gave him a old skateboard, so he took to riding the cement waves and by 13 he landed his first sponsor. He set his sights on a career as a pro-rider. Over the next few years he began to win, and win often, and by 17 he was ready for the pro ranks...until the accident.

Running late for work one day, he borrowed his sister's motorcycle and, tragically, was hit, head-on, at 65 mph, by a drunk driver. Three days later his left leg had to be amputated.

"My recovery was one of the most challenging times of my life, but I knew I was young and had a lot of living left to do. I wasn't ready to give up all these things that I loved to do...so I just told myself I wouldn't. I would find a way to ride again."

Evan soon connected with the Challenged Athletes Foundation (CAF) and drew inspiration for his own recovery from watching fellow amputees accomplish great things in sport. From there he developed a passion to help others faced with similar physical challenges. He has since become a very active mentor of youth and adult amputees in partnership with Adaptive Action Sports (AAS) and CAF.

Always hungry for a new challenge, Evan grew interested in snowboarding but he knew that was not a fit for Maui, so he moved to Lake Tahoe and got a job at Northstar Resort. He rode over 100 days that season and found his true passion.

Evan has become the most dominant athlete on the adaptive snowboarding circuit. He is the 2012 FIS World Champion, the 2011-12 Overall World Cup Champion and an X-Games Gold Medalist. Evan jokes that his wife, Mariah, tells him, 'Don't come home without gold!'...so far he hasn't. He is undefeated in World Cup competition! In fact, Evan is such a strong rider that he regularly beats most able-bodied athletes in open-class competitions. While Evan's short term goal is to represent Team USA and win the gold medal at the 2014 Sochi Paralympics, the ultimate goal is to win the U.S. Snowboarding National Championship Title.



