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# TNT Super Series competes Friday at Mopar IHRA Nitro Jam Nationals in Grand Bend

Super Rod AND Hot Rod racers can participate in specialty race!

**GRAND BEND, ONTARIO (July 15, 2012)** For the second consecutive year, the Joe's Transmission TNT Super Series will compete during the Mopar IHRA Nitro Jam Nationals this weekend. Grand Bend Motorplex will host a complete TNTSS 10.90 drag race on Friday July 20th presented by Rosehill Auction House.



Paying \$1000 to win, this is race #7 on the 2012 TNTSS schedule and counts towards the series points championship. It will offer all of the features the TNTSS is known for - including round money, specialty awards and contingency postings - PLUS a chance to get into the Performance Improvements Race of Champions in September.

Last year's event was a huge success with 35 cars in TNTSS competition. "We had pretty much every Hot Rod and Super Rod car that was on the property Friday afternoon run our race," said Ted Barnes, TNTSS Director. "We're looking to hit 40 this year!" And since the TNTSS has no minimum weight and allows left-hand steer roadsters, they have a good chance to do just that.

"We're so excited to be partnering with Joe and Moe Passero from Rosehill Auction House to make this event happen," added Ted. "They are long-time drag racers themselves, strong supporters of the grass roots sportsman racer and they have been behind the TNT Super Series since it began."

Currently TNTSS points leader Jon (J.J.) Jablonski sits with 410 points and will be looking to widen his four point lead over second place Chris Van Baalen. Third place is 2011 Rookie of the Year Harry Phelps with 378. Last year's Series Champion David Surmatchewski is right behind him at 377 and Tom Coonly is in fifth with 370.



Of the 44 teams in the TNTSS in 2012, the ones to watch for are Andrew Stirk, codrivers Jeff Sobczynski & Marc Vezina and Roy Lister. These guys have only competed in 5 of the 6 events so far and will catapult into the top ten once the waiver weeks are considered.

Joining the Joe's Transmission TNT Super Series on Friday will also be the Can Am Stock/Super Stock Series and a qualifying session in the PMRA Pro Modifieds. Gates open at 9am on Friday with the first of two TNTSS qualifying sessions at 4pm and eliminations to follow. To enter the TNTSS race at Grand Bend, you must be registered for the Nitro Jam event. For full details, visit <u>www.ihra.com</u>.

1	Jon	Jablonski	410
2	Chris Peter	VanBaalen VanBaalen	406
3	Harry	Phelps	378
4	David	Surmatchewski	377
5	Tom	Coonly	370
6	Larry	Pulver	358
7	Mark	Herbold	351
8	Paul	Young	351
9	Gary	Saska	340
10	Jeff Gary	Kerl Kerl	333

#### 2012 Joe's Transmission TNTSS Points Standings (Top 10) - After 6 of 13

#### About Rosehill Auction Centre

Located just minutes from the Peace Bridge in Fort Erie, Ontario, Rosehill Auction House is southern Ontario's leading discount giant for over 40 years. They sell "as is" style products at extremely low prices; 50% off or more than retail. Everything from brand named home furnishings to lawn tractors to patio furniture...Rosehill has it all. Visit them at <u>www.rosehillauction.ca</u> and see why Rosehill has some of the best deals in Ontario.

#### About the Joe's Transmission TNT Super Series (TNTSS):

Since it began in 2006, the TNT Super Series has grown into one of the strongest, most competitive sportsman drag racing series in North America and has catapulted many competitors to success on the national and divisional stages.

The TNTSS is a self-governing organization with input from its teams. Based on NHRA's Super Street & IHRA's Hot Rod classes, competitors run on a 10.90 index in the 1/4 mile (7.00 in the 1/8 mile) and race for a guaranteed purse that pays back more than 100% of the racer's entry fees. The yearend points fund pays the top five finishers and the Series Champion receives a prize package worth over \$3500.00.

The TNTSS is committed to providing the highest level of competition backed by solid media support to showcase its participants across North America. Events are contested at various drag racing facilities in southern Ontario and western New York and put on a spectacular show for the drag racing fan.

### About Joe's Transmission

Joe Boniferro has owned and operated Joe's Transmission Service in Niagara Falls, Ontario since 1984. From the original single bay location, the business has progressed to a six bay, five employee automotive complex on Arthur Street. The two storey building houses Joe's Transmission (Commercial, Fleet and Performance Divisions) and Al's Radiator Service. They sell and install aftermarket high performance parts and accessories. As a Firestone Dealer they sell and install drag racing tires. Their specialty is building and repairing high performance transmissions. Contact Joe and his team at (905) 374-6116 or visit them online at <a href="http://www.joestransmission.com">www.joestransmission.com</a>.

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