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# Joe Karosik wins Friday, Mother Nature wins Saturday AGAIN in TNT Super Series

Jablonski gains ground on leader Vitez in championship points chase!

LANCASTER, NEW YORK
(September 16, 2014) On one of
the coldest race days in years, Joe
Karosik of Depew, NY won the
Joe's Transmission TNT Super
Series on Friday September 12th
at Elegant Builders Raceway Park,
presented by Sam LoVetro
Automotive.

As for Saturday's TNTSS event at Empire Dragway, it was washed away due to rain and will be rescheduled to crown the 2014



champion. A date will be announced in the coming days.

Karosik qualified 16th with a 7.017 then proceeded to slice through the 29 car field with precision... dealing with 48° temperatures and 99% humidity at the Lancaster, NY facility.

The weather conditions on Friday didn't phase the veteran sled racer as he was .020 on the tree and dead zero in round one to push Ron D'Alessandro under the 7.00 index. A bye in round two set him up against Pete Maduri Sr. where Karosik drilled the tree with an .012 and ran 7.010 to a losing 6.965 by Maduri.

In the semi's, Karosik had .010 in hand against Pete D'Agnolo and ran 7.002 to advance to the money round. There he met up with past TNTSS champion David Surmatchewski who was marching his way through both the TNTSS and the Top ET fields.

When the tree came down, Surmatchewski had a slight advantage, leaving first by a mere .005 and then took .008 at the stripe. But it was Karosik who broke out less, running a 6.996 to Surmatchewski's 6.993 for the win.

"First I would like to thank all the series sponsors including Joe Boniferro and Ted Barnes for all their work on presenting this series and Sam LoVetro for sponsoring tonight," said Joe Karosik. "The TNT Super Series is fun, competitive and all its racers have become great friends."

Karosik went on, "I would like to thank my wife Diane and my kids Jen and Steve for their support... and the Sobczynski family Jason, Jim, Jeff and Pete for all their help. Joe Urbino and Jon Jablonski for always answering stupid questions I had when learning how to Hot Rod race. And my only sponsor Delacy Ford."

One race remains in the 2014 Joe's Transmission TNT Super Series - Date to be determined. Stay close to <a href="www.tntsuperseries.com">www.tntsuperseries.com</a> for more information and the wrap up of the most popular sportsman drag racing series in the country.

## Specialty Awards

- Hoosier Tire Canada \$100 certificate Number One Qualifier
  - o Paul Young (Alden, NY) with a 7.000
- **J&S Collision \$50** Closest to the Index (1st Round Loser)
  - o Jason Vitez (Elma, NY) with a 7.004

# <u>Joe's Transmission TNT Super Series - Championship Points Standings (9 of 10 races complete)</u>

1	Jason	Vitez	636
2	JJ	Jablonski	613
3	Tom	Coonly	585
4	Ted	Barnes	565
5	Harris	Phelps	544
6	Pete	D'Agnolo	537
7	Harry	Phelps	528
8	David	Surmatchewski	526
9	Jim	Thomson	523
10	Jamie	Stoneman	516

#### 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 provides cash & prizes to the top eight finishers

and the Series Champion receives a prize package worth over \$4000.00.

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="https://www.joestransmission.com">www.joestransmission.com</a>.

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