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Jason Vitez tops 35 car TNT Super Series field at Elegant Builders Raceway Park

Sam LoVetro Jr takes back championship points lead!

LANCASTER, NEW YORK (July 29, 2013) Finally, after four attempts, the popular Joe's Transmission TNT Super Series got an event completed at Elegant Builders Raceway Park without weather cancelling the show. A series high 35 cars showed up to do battle - presented by Sam LoVetro Automotive - at Lancaster's 1/8th mile and Elma, New York's Jason Vitez took home the win and the \$1000 purse.



After qualifying 9th with a 7.010, Vitez took out Chris VanBaalén who went .004 red on the tree. Both drivers were ready though, each running 7.001. Round two saw Vitez defeat Ted Barnes with a .504, 6.983 to a .525, 6.991 double breakout.

Dave Gunn was next to fall when he left before the tree activated, moving Vitez into the quarter finals against Mark Glomb. There Glomb gave Vitez the round as he went red and Vitez missed the tree at .557.

The semi-finals was Larry Pulver running dead-on 7.007 but Vitez was able to take the holeshot win with a 7.021.

In the money round, it was JJ Jablonski in the other lane. Vitez was better on the tree by .018 and carried it through to the stripe running a 7.016 to Jablonski's 7.058 effort.

"I would like to say special thanks to Joe and Moe Passero," said Vitez. "Without them this would not have been possible." He mentioned this was the first time his son Zach was crew chief. "Zach did a great job. I think he was more excited than me!"

Vitez was quick to thank his wife Kimberly, daughter Brooke and son Logan for letting

him get out and have some fun. “That 68 Camaro was great all night just like it always is. And to race JJ in the final was cool. The last time that happened was the day I sold my 63 Corvette roadster about 7 years ago.”

Sponsors include Rosehill Auction House and Jason Vitez Race Cars. He also mentioned thanks to Joe’s Transmission, Sam LoVetro Automotive and Ted Barnes. “And all the sponsors for the series. Without them this would not be possible.”



Vitez lost his father last September. “I want to dedicate this race to my father Jim who passed away last September. It's my first win without him. He was my biggest fan.”

Next up is a Canadian double plus the Dilts Piston Hydraulics Race of Champions at St Thomas Raceway Park in Sparta, Ontario. Check out www.tntsuperseries.com for all schedule and competitor information in the most popular sportsman drag racing series in the country.

Specialty Awards

- **Hoosier Tire Canada \$100 certificate** - Number One Qualifier
 - Jim Thomson (Niagara Falls, Ontario) with a 7.000
- **J&S Collision \$50** - Closest to the Index (1st Round Loser)
 - Chris VanBaalen (Wellandport, Ontario) with a 7.001
- **Elegant Builders Raceway Park** – Best Reaction Time (1st Round Loser)
 - Pete Maduri Jr (Tonawanda, NY) with a .507

2013 Joe's Transmission TNTSS Championship Points Standings (TOP 10) - After 4 of 13

1	Sam	LoVetro Jr	321
2	David	Surmatchewski	318
3	Ryan	Boniferro	283
4	Kevin	Orr	265
5	JJ	Jablonski	256
6	Gary	Kerl	232
7	Steve	McCarrick	212
8	Harris	Phelps	212
9	Jim	Thomson	209
10	Harry	Phelps	208

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 www.joestransmission.com .

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