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## Billy Ryan wins at Lancaster and takes TNT Super Series points lead

*Ryan took home \$1000 defeating the 36 car field!!!*

**LANCASTER, NEW YORK (July 18, 2016)** Billy Ryan from Marion, New York won Joe's Transmission TNT Super Series race #5 at Lancaster Dragway on Friday night. Ryan qualified 16th and made it look easy marching through the 36 car field to get his second win of 2016 in the very competitive heads up sportsman series.



Presented by Dataclutch Data Acquisition, the event drew a record car count for TNTSS at Lancaster with 36 cars making the call for first round.

In round one, Ryan tree'd Joe Karosik with a .518 and pushed the Nova under. Round two saw him do the same to Larry Pulver but with a .521 light.

Not the same in round three where Robert Bauer III driving Joe Urbino's Malibu laid a .508 down to Ryan's .512. But Ryan took the stripe, running closer to the index with a 7.010.

Mark Herbold drilled Ryan to the tree in round four with a .508 to Ryan's .532 but Ryan ran dead four to light the beacon. That set him up with a bye to the final where he lined up against the always tough Jeff Sobczynski.

Both drivers away clean with Ryan having an .013 advantage off the line. A double breakout at the stripe saw Ryan run 6.997 to Sobczynski's 6.985 and take his second win of the season by a mere .001 MOV. This win puts Ryan in the select group of drivers with multiple TNTSS victories. It also gives him the championship points lead heading into the second half of the season.

"I want to dedicate this race to my buddy Kelly O'Dell who tragically passed away 2 weeks ago," said Ryan. "I want to thank my girlfriend Julie, my dad, mom and brother, Sam Nance and Pete D'Agnolo. Also a very special thanks to Vince Gregoire for letting me borrow his spare trans because I broke mine the week before in Pittsburgh."

Ryan had trouble early in the day with the brakes on the car. "We pulled off the trailer had no brakes. A brass T out of my master cylinder cracked and was spraying fluid everywhere. With help from Joe Karosik and Jim Sobczynski we were able to get it fixed as they were calling first round of qualifying!"



He also mentioned everyone involved in the TNTSS. "I also want to thank Ted Barnes for putting on the best series around, Joe Boniferro for making it happen and Dataclutch for presenting tonight."

Ryan started his racing career at Spencer Speedway running in motorcycle dragster. His current ride is a Grand Am with a 331 for power and is capable of running 9.80's in the quarter.

### **Specialty Awards**

- **Hoosier Tire Canada \$100 certificate** - Number One Qualifier
  - Jeff Sobczynski with a 7.000
- **J&S Collision \$50 cash** - Closest to the Index (1st Round Loser)
  - Dave Gunn with a 7.011
- **VP Fuels \$50 certificate** - Closest to the Index (2nd Round Loser)
  - Larry Pulver with a 7.012
- **VP Fuels \$50 certificate** - Closest to the Index (3rd Round Loser)
  - Jason Vitez with a 7.008

To learn more about the Joe's Transmission TNT Super Series and how you can become a part of it, visit [www.tntsuperseries.com](http://www.tntsuperseries.com) or [www.facebook.com/TNTSuperSeries](https://www.facebook.com/TNTSuperSeries) and sign up for the mailing list.

**2016 Joe's Transmission TNT Super Series Points Standings - Top Ten (5 of 10 races complete)**

<b>1</b>	Billy	Ryan	<b>404</b>
<b>2</b>	Harry	Phelps	<b>382</b>
<b>3</b>	Jim	Thomson	<b>376</b>
<b>4</b>	Dave	Gunn	<b>355</b>
<b>5</b>	Mark	Herbold	<b>349</b>
<b>6</b>	Bill	Elekes	<b>330</b>
<b>6</b>	Art	Jones	<b>330</b>
<b>8</b>	David	Surmatchewski	<b>326</b>
<b>9</b>	Ron/Ken	D'Alessandro/Babiak Jr	<b>306</b>
<b>10</b>	Steve	McCarrick	<b>288</b>
<b>10</b>	Chris/Matt	VanBaalen/Costabile	<b>288</b>

**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](http://www.joestransmission.com) .

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