



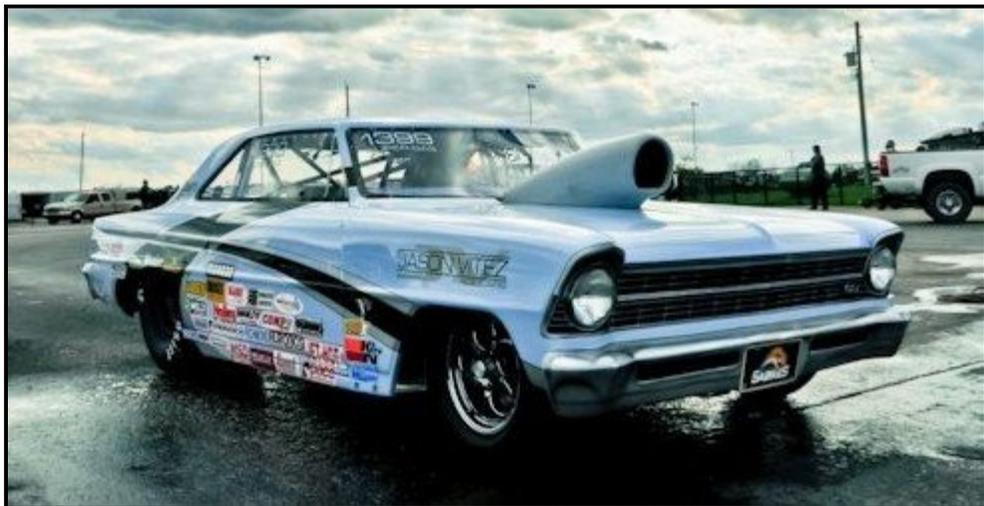
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## TNT Super Series' Jon Jablonski wins IHRA Division One Title in Super Rod

*Epping Pro-Am win moves him from 5th to 1st!*

**WEST SENECA, NEW YORK (September 24, 2010)** When Jon Jablonski made the trip from West Seneca, NY to Epping's IHRA Pro-Am event this past weekend, all he was looking for was to have some fun with friends. When it was all over, he added another IHRA Super Rod event win and Ironman to his trophy cabinet - he also earned his second IHRA Pro-Am championship.

Going into the weekend, JJ was sitting fifth in IHRA divisional points and wasn't even thinking of the title. "To be honest, I knew if I went four rounds, that I would get a spot in the Tournament of



Champions (TOC)," he said. "And other than spending some nights sleeping by the ocean, that was my goal for the weekend." Not only did he earn himself a spot in the TOC, JJ is now a Summit Allstars qualifier and will race in Moser Axle Mania in 2011.

Saturday's win was a combination of JJ's car performing when it had to and his driving skills working when they needed to. In round one, he defeated Bob Pais - winning the race from the starting line. Then he drove around Stephen Paquin at the stripe in round two.

Stephen had the tree (.003 to an .019) but it was JJ's near perfect 9.905 taking the win over a 9.942. "I got lucky in second round," added JJ. "He drilled the tree but then lifted too early. I was able to drive around him and lift at the stripe...I lost 11mph but almost broke out."

Round three was where it all came together and he took out fellow New York racer John Cira. "John is always tough. I was .002 to his .015 and won in a double breakout at the big end," said JJ.

A bye in the semi's set him up to face Tim Quintin for the Ironman. Almost even on the tree, JJ had a slight .003 second advantage and took the win running dead on 9.900 to Tim's too fast 9.882

"Thanks to Johnny Sokol for helping me out this weekend," commented JJ. "And this championship wouldn't have happened without Dennis O'Brien and Mark Vitez. They couldn't make it to Epping but they are always there to help me



out when I need it. And of course the support from my mom Halina and my girlfriend Nicole makes it all possible."

JJ was quick to thank the Joe's Transmission TNT Super Series. "I can't thank the TNT series enough. The competition is extremely tough - it keeps a guy sharp. I don't know why everyone within 300 miles of a TNT race doesn't come out. It's an awesome deal!"

This is JJ's second IHRA Pro-Am championship. He earned his first back in 2004 in Hot Rod class driving his Jason Vitez prepared 1969 Chevelle.

But 2010 didn't start off easy for the western New York racer. Early in the season he had all sorts of mechanical issues...everything from carburetor problems to busting a

tranny case at a TNT double-header back in May.

JJ's current ride is a 1967 Chevy II - also built by Jason Vitez - wired by Jeff Gregoire and painted by John Sokol. This is one of the sharpest machines you'll see on a drag strip. With a 538 cid Jan Cen Motorsports engine, the car is capable of 1/4 mile elapsed times in the 8.40 range at 159 mph.

Sponsors include Jason Vitez Racecars, Tim Collins Mortgage Specialist, Citizen's Bank, Phil's Quality Auto Service and Jan Cen Racing Engines.

Check out the Joe's Transmission TNT Super Series at their final event of 2010 - A double header in a single day at Dunn Tire Raceway Park on Saturday October 2nd. Visit [www.tntsuperseries.com](http://www.tntsuperseries.com) for all the latest on what has become known as the toughest sportsman series in the northeast.

**Joe's Transmission TNT Super Series Points (Top 10 of 44) After 11 of 13 Events**

1	Pete	Maduri Jr	861
2	Dave	Surmatchewski	672
3	Ted	Barnes	642
4	Bill	Elekes	630
5	Chris	VanBaalen	607
6	Fred	Gross	601
7	Mark	Herbold	597
8	J.J.	Jablonski	554
9	Tom	Coonly	538
10	Steve	McCarrick	536

***About the TNT Super Series:***

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