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TNT Super Series racers dominate at Grand Bend with Andrew Stirk winning Hot Rod

Local 10.90 sportsman series produces big talent!

GRAND BEND, ONTARIO (July 21, 2011) The Joe's Transmission TNT Super Series had three of its regulars make it to final rounds at the IHRA Nitro Jam in Grand Bend, Ontario this past weekend.



First, Andrew Stirk from Orangeville ON drove his 1989 Mustang to victory in Hot Rod taking out tough competition from the likes of Dan Hawley, Frank VanDePeer and Friday night's TNTSS race winner, Rob Holden.

In the final, he faced another TNTSS regular, Tonawanda New York's Scott Jahren in The Balancing Act 1973 Nova. Jahren was better on the tree but Andrew drove the stripe to a 10.918 victory.

With a racing resume that includes three No Box Ironman wins, a Super Rod Ironman and now a Hot Rod Ironman, it's no surprise to see the Stirk family in the winner's circle, especially at Grand Bend Motorplex.

"Being able to run in the TNT Super Series allows us to gather a lot of good run data and stay sharp throttle stop racing," said Andrew. "I really felt comfortable predicting what the car would do and in the end it paid off. We came off the trailer with 10.927 Saturday and on Sunday ran between 10.893 and 10.917 all day"

Andrew was quick to thank IHRA, Summit, Mopar and Grand Bend Motorplex for putting on a great event as well as Ted Barnes, Joe Boniferro and Joe's Transmission for making the TNT series possible. "I also want to thank DSE Automotive in Brampton Ont that builds all my race motors, Fred Gross at MAC Tools, and Tire Discounter Brampton for all their contributions. Last but not least my family - mom Elaine, dad David, brother Iain and sisters Margaret, Jen and Anne - for all their help," he added.

Powered by a 10:1 big block Chevy 454 with Brodix heads, Eagle rotating assembly, Holley 1050 dominator and a #1 Stop throttle stop, Andrew's Mustang will represent the TNTSS well at the Tournament Of Champions this fall.

TNTSS talent showed up in the Super Rod final as well. John Cira from Rochester, New York defeated 2010 Division One Super Rod champion Jon Jablonski, Andrew Stirk and Paul "Racer" Brown along the way.



Against Dave Klomps in the final, John had the starting line advantage but could not hold off Klomps who came around him to take the win.

Next stop on the 2011 Joe's Transmission TNT Super Series schedule is a double race weekend at St Thomas Raceway Park in Sparta, Ontario. Visit www.tntsuperseries.com for full event information.

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 stage.

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 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.

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