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Jason Vitez returns to TNT Super Series winner's circle at Lancaster

Vitez/Jablonski and Surmatchewski move into the top 5 in championship points chase!

LANCASTER, NEW YORK (July 21, 2015) It looked like Mother Nature was going to win on Friday July 17 but the crew at Lancaster National Speedway & Dragway had other ideas. With significant rain to the north and south, the Joe's Transmission TNT Super Series was in the house and Jason Vitez from Elma, NY won for the fifth time in his career.



Presented by Jan-Cen Motorsports, the event drew some of the best sportsman racers in the country to the 1/8 mile facility in Lancaster, NY.

Vitez drove Jon Jablonski's 1967 Chevrolet to 12th on the qualifying sheet heading into round one. There he made quick work of Sam LoVetro Jr and then Jerry Highway in round two. Round three saw Jeff Sobczynski miss the tree with a .561 to Vitez's .508 and then he just couldn't get there.

Next it was a bye to the final where he faced 2012 TNTSS Champion David Surmatchewski. Both drivers got away clean with only .015 separating them on the tree. At the big end, it was Vitez running dead 4 and pushing Surmatchewski under with a 6.986.

"What a good night!" said Vitez in the winner's circle. "From rain on and off all day... to not feeling like racing... to getting a win in a car I haven't driven in many years was pretty cool! The night was full of excitement as the 67 developed a misfire in the

second qualifier. We thrashed to find the problem with the help of Kenny Joz, Dennis O'Brien and Zac of course and a lot of bystanders holding flash lights."

Vitez said trying to get a handle on the car was a bit of problem with the small engine but they finally did. "We had some luck on our side tonight. Special thanks to my crew Zac and Dennis, Jon and Nicole and Joz. Also to Kimberly, Brooklyn and Logan for their good lucks as we ran out the door. And of course, the boys back at the shop!"

Sponsors include Jan-Cen Racing Engines, Hoosier Tires, MSD Ignition, Royal Purple, Autos Direct of Alden and Jason Vitez Race Cars. "I have to thank Ted Barnes and Joe's Transmission for a great series and Jan-Cen for presenting tonight's race!"

Specialty Awards

- Hoosier Tire Canada \$100 certificate Number One Qualifier
 - o Pete D'Agnolo (Rochester, NY) with a 7.000
- **J&S Collision \$50** Closest to the Index (1st Round Loser)
 - o Kirk Parry (North Tonawanda, NY) with a 7.023

Next up for the Joe's Transmission TNT Super Series is this weekend at Cayuga Dragway for races 6 and 7 of the 10 race season. Visit www.tntsuperseries.com for everything you need to know about the best sportsman racing on the planet.

<u>Joe's Transmission TNT Super Series - 2015 Championship Points Standings Top Ten</u> (5 of 10 races complete)

1	Paul	Young	419
2	Chris	VanBaalen	383
3	Jon/Jason	Jablonski/Vitez	367
4	David	Surmatchewski	360
5	Sam	LoVetro Jr	358
6	Harry	Phelps	337
7	Ryan	Boniferro	334
8	Ted	Barnes	318
8	Harris/Rob	Phelps/Holden	318
10	Jeff/Kevin	Sobczynski/Orr	310

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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