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## Niagara racers Ryan Boniferro and Jim Thomson dominate at St Thomas Raceway Park this past weekend

*Both drivers get their first wins in two different local sportsman drag racing series!*

**NIAGARA FALLS, ONTARIO (August 10, 2012)** Two Niagara Falls sportsman drag race teams put on dominating performances in two different local series at St Thomas Raceway Park in Sparta, Ontario this past holiday weekend.

In the Can Am Stock/Super Stock Series, 23 year old Ryan Boniferro took his Nostalgia Super Stock 1969 Plymouth Barracuda to a runner-up finish on Saturday and then all the way to the event win on Sunday.

On Sunday, Ryan marched through a tough field including wins against Pierce Jones, Bob Andrews, Quinn Berry, Pete Fedun and Kirk Vanni in the final round.

The highlight of the weekend though was winning the King of the Hill Shootout on Sunday night against three-time Series Champion Rob Becker. Ryan had a slight advantage on the starting line and carried it through to the stripe where he took the win.



"Winning the shootout was like icing on the cake," said Ryan. "I would like to thank the Can Am Series for giving me the opportunity to race in such a great series, with such great fellow competitors."

Ryan has been to final rounds before, but not in the Can Am Stock/Super Stock Series. "I want to thank my mom (Cathy) and dad (Joe), my wife Anastazie and my brothers (Joe, Pat and Nick) for their continued support," he added. "Also Joe's Transmission, Boniferro Speed and Custom, St

Catharines Concrete Forming, Rosehill Auction House, The Balancing Act, Heads Up Racer, TT Fabricating and Bubba's Best Buys for all their help."

He also mentioned how much he appreciated the staff at St Thomas Raceway Park for their hospitality and for preparing the track as well as they did. "And also Tom Kovacs Electric for putting up the purse for the shootout!" Ryan added.

Ryan's car has been in the family for 30 years and was originally raced by his father. It has a 440 for power and a 3 speed transmission.

In the Joe's Transmission TNT Super Series, Jim Thomson also took his 1972 Chevrolet Nova to a runner-up finish on Saturday and then got his very first Series win on Sunday.

Jim battled through the likes of Harry Phelps, Kirk Parry and Roy Lister on his way to the final round.

There he faced a tough competitor Tom Coonly from Blasdell, NY. Jim cut down the tree with a .004 reaction time to Tom's .034 allowing him plenty of room at the stripe to take the win running a 7.014 to Tom's 7.015.



Jim now has all but locked up the 2012 Tim Thorne Rookie of the Year Award presented by Sam LoVetro Automotive.

"I want to thank my wife, RaeAnn and my boys, Jimmy and Curtis for supporting me along with friends like Kevin Goodacre and Joe Boniferro and his boys for all the help and support," said Jim.

Jim refers to himself as a low budget racer and is very appreciative of the support he gets from Joe Boniferro (Boniferro Speed and Custom), Kevin Goodacre (Badlands Racing), his brother Rob (Four Seasons Roofing) and Gerry Bartel (The Balancing Act).

"I raced a long time ago and got out of it to raise a family. But after my boys grew up and moved out it was time to look for a car. I found this Nova in Windsor that needed a bit of work and it turned out to be a car originally owned and raced by Russ Parker."

For more information about the Joe's Transmission TNT Super Series, visit [www.tntsuperseries.com](http://www.tntsuperseries.com) and see racer profiles, event dates and the latest news.

**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 pays the top five finishers and the 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.

**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) .

**About the Can-Am Stock/Super Stock Series**

The Can-Am Stock/Super Stock Series is a self-governed, not for profit Stock and Super Stock combo series that is dedicated to furthering the concept of class racing in the Ontario/New York/ Michigan areas. 2012 marks the organization's 16th year of competition. This racing organization is committed to providing a competitive racing atmosphere for legal NHRA/IHRA Stock and Super Stock vehicles, proving itself as a viable alternative to the high travel and entry costs for NHRA/IHRA races. The one day/one race format reduces costs to the racer and fans. Series races are held at Toronto Motorsports Park, Grand Bend Motorplex and St. Thomas Raceway Park. The continued increase in membership makes this series attractive to sponsors who are eager to showcase their products to class racers. For more information, follow the series on Facebook at Can-Am Stock Superstock.



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