

Throwdown Holley LS Fest 2012 - 2001 GMC Sierra

11th Place - Newcomer

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We all love to ogle high-dollar purpose-built race machines, but there's something equally appealing about a no-frills "run what you brung" approach. Twenty-year-old professional window tinter Jody Russell is the embodiment of this mentality, since he wasn't planning to participate in our THROWDOWN when he showed up to LS Fest. However, after we met him at the show with his friends Chris Applegate and Kyle Feebeck, he agreed to give it a shot. His daily driven '01 Sierra performed well, and we were pleasantly surprised to see Jody taking on the veterans despite his limited track experience. In fact, the black and yellow truck took Fifth Place in the slalom, beating out several experienced competitors. Most importantly, Jody had a blast and has officially initiated by the thrill of speed. We hope to see him again next year.

Year/Make/Model:

2001 GMC Sierra

Owner and City/State:

Jody Russell Boaz, Kentucky

Engine

Type: 4.8L Vortec (LR4)

Heads: Stock

Cam: Stock

Induction: Custom cold-air intake with Airaid filter

Exhaust: CalSpeed 1-inch headers, DynoMAX 3-inch exhaust

Cooling: Stock

Fuel System: Stock

Ignition: MSD plug wires

Engine Management: Factory ECM tuned by Blackbear

Output: 230 whp (est)

Built by: Jody Russell

Drivetrain

Transmission: 2006 GTO T-56 manual

Rearend: Stock 10-bolt with TrueTrac locker and 4.56 gears

Chassis

Front suspension: McGaughys 4/6 kit with 2-inch drop spindles and 2-inch lowering springs

Rear suspension: McGaughys flip kit, bridge notch

Brakes: Stock disc

**Wheels & Tires**

Wheels: Factory Replica 22x9

Tires: Venezia 265/35R22

AUTOCROSS TIME: 50.43 sec

QUARTER-MILE TIME: 15.49 @ 90.91 mph

SPEED STOP TIME: 11.35 sec

SLALOM TIME: 7.77 sec

SHOW & SHINE: No points earned

Special Thanks:

My friends for encouraging me to build a badass daily driver.