



# Northwest Indiana Oilmen

## 2015 Game Notes

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### THURSDAY'S GAME:

NWI Oilmen (7-2)  
at DuPage County Hounds (7-3)

June 18 - 5 p.m. (CT) - Lemont, Ill.  
Radio: None  
Internet: nwioilmen.com (UStream)

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### 2015 Schedule

6/1	@ Joliet Admirals	W 5-2
6/3	@ Southland Vikings	W 5-3
6/4	@ Joliet Admirals	W 5-3
6/5	@ Michigan City Lakers	L 7-5
6/6	@ DuPage County Hounds	W 7-1
6/7	@ Lexington Snipes	W 7-4
6/10	JOLIET ADMIRALS	L 7-6
6/11	DUPAGE COUNTY HOUNDS	W 5-3
6/13	FORT WAYNE JACKERS*	W 5-1
6/16	DUPAGE COUNTY HOUNDS	W 6-5
6/18	@ DuPage County Hounds	5 p.m.
6/20	@ Lexington Snipes (DH)	1 p.m.
6/20	@ Lexington Snipes (DH)	3:30 p.m.
6/21	@ Michigan City Lakers	1 p.m.
6/23	@ Joliet Admirals	5 p.m.
6/24	JOLIET ADMIRALS	7 p.m.
6/25	MICHIGAN CITY LAKERS	7 p.m.
6/26	LEXINGTON SNIPES	7 p.m.
6/27	JOLIET ADMIRALS	7 p.m.
6/28	SOUTHLAND VIKINGS	4 p.m.
6/30	MICHIGAN CITY LAKERS	7 p.m.
7/1	MICHIGAN CITY LAKERS	7 p.m.
7/2	DUPAGE COUNTY HOUNDS	7 p.m.
7/3	@ Lexington Snipes	5 p.m.
7/4	@ Michigan City Lakers	1 p.m.
7/5	JOLIET ADMIRALS	4 p.m.
7/7	MCL ALL-STAR GAME	7 p.m.
7/8	@ Fort Wayne Jackers*	6:30 p.m.
7/9	@ Southland Vikings	5 p.m.
7/10	@ Michigan City Lakers	5 p.m.
7/12	@ Lexington Snipes	1 p.m.
7/13	LEXINGTON SNIPES	6 p.m.
7/15	JOLIET ADMIRALS	7 p.m.
7/16	@ Southland Vikings	7 p.m.
7/17	@ Southland Vikings	7 p.m.
7/18	@ Michigan City Lakers	7 p.m.
7/19	DUPAGE COUNTY HOUNDS	4 p.m.
7/21	SOUTHLAND VIKINGS	7 p.m.
7/22	LEXINGTON SNIPES	7 p.m.
7/23	@ DuPage County Hounds	5 p.m.
7/24	@ Joliet Admirals	5 p.m.
7/25	@ Southland Vikings (DH)	1 p.m.
7/25	@ Southland Vikings (DH)	3:30 p.m.
7/26	@ Michigan City Lakers	1 p.m.
7/28	SOUTHLAND VIKINGS	7 p.m.
7/29	DUPAGE COUNTY HOUNDS	7 p.m.
7/30	MICHIGAN CITY LAKERS	7 p.m.
7/31	LEXINGTON SNIPES	7 p.m.
8/1	MCL Playoffs Game 1	TBD
8/2	MCL Playoffs Game 2	TBD
8/3	MCL Playoffs Game 3	TBD
8/6	MCL Championship Game 1	TBD
8/7	MCL Championship Game 2	TBD
8/8	MCL Championship Game 3	TBD

\*- denotes exhibition game  
CAPS- denotes home game

### For Starters

The Northwest Indiana Oilmen have mounted late comebacks in three consecutive league games. They hold a perfect 3-0 record in games played against the DuPage County Hounds this season. The Oilmen have scored five or more run in each of their first 10 games this year. Oilmen relievers have more decisions (3-2) than Oilmen starting pitchers (4-0).

### Inside The Oilmen

Stefano Belmonte has at least one RBI in all seven games he's played this summer. Belmonte also has hits in six straight games since going 0-for-4 in the season opener. He is 6-for-9 in his last two games, both against DuPage County. Alec Olund incurred his first hitless game in an Oilmen uniform on Tuesday night against the Hounds, snapping a six-game hitting streak with an 0-for-3 night. He still contributed by delivering a sacrifice fly. Sam Geraci drew two more walks on Tuesday to lift his team-leading total to eight. Geraci is also the only Oilman who has appeared in eight of the nine league games this season. Keith Mahler makes his third start of the summer and first against DuPage County. He is 1-0 with a 5.14 ERA in seven total innings. Mahler hasn't pitched since June 7 at Lexington.

### Inside the Hounds

The Oilmen have received no help from other teams in the Midwest Collegiate League in their battle atop the standings with DuPage County. The Hounds are a perfect 7-0 against teams other than the Oilmen this season. However, DuPage County is 0-3 in matchups with Northwest Indiana. The Hounds nipped Southland 6-5 on Wednesday to pull with ½ game of the Oilmen for the top spot in the MCL. St. Ambrose left-hander Nick Alfini gets the start on Thursday. He tossed seven shutout innings against Lexington in his only start of the season, which came on June 5.

### About the Matchup

This marks NWI's third consecutive league game against the Hounds. After Thursday, the two teams do not meet again until July 2 at Oil City Stadium. The all-time series between the two teams - which dates back to the first game in the history of both franchises - is split right down the middle, with each team holding 14 victories over the other.

### Around the MCL

The scheduled game between Joliet and Michigan City on Wednesday was postponed by rain. The entire league has been severely impacted by Mother Nature. The Southland Vikings had nine consecutive days off prior to yesterday's loss to DuPage County, with four rainouts taking place during that stretch.

## NWI Oilmen Fast Facts

Founded/First Season.....2012  
 Location.....Whiting, Ind.  
 Owner.....Don Popravak (2012-present)  
 Address.....500 119th Street (2nd Floor) Whiting, IN 46394  
 Phone.....219-659-1000  
 Website.....nwioilmen.com  
 Colors.....Black and Gold  
 Home Field (Capacity).....Oil City Stadium (1,300)  
 Stadium Address.....1700 119th Street, Whiting, IN 46394  
 Manager..... Adam Enright  
 All-Time Team Record.....97-52, 86-49 in MCL Games  
     Home Record..... 59-27  
     Road Record..... 38-25  
 Playoff Appearances.....2012, 2013, 2014  
 Playoff Record.....6-4  
 Playoff Home Record.....3-2  
 Playoff Road Record.....3-2  
 MCL Championship Appearances.....2012, 2013  
 Midwest Collegiate League Titles.....2012

## NWI Oilmen Radio Network

Can't make it out to the game? Catch all the action this season over the airwaves on 1230 AM WJOB and online via Ustream on NWIOilmen.com. Brandon Vickrey is back to handle play-by-play duties again this season. This year, Brandon Pavlina joins Brandon to provide color commentary for road games, while a rotating cast of color commentators will handle home games. To listen on the internet, click the "Listen Live" tab at the top of the NWIOilmen.com homepage.



## Midwest Collegiate League Scoreboard

<b>TUESDAY:</b> Admirals 12, Snipes 5 Oilmen 6, Hounds 5	<b>WEDNESDAY:</b> Oilmen at Snipes, ppd Hounds 6, Vikings 5 Admirals at Lakers, ppd
<b>THURSDAY:</b> Oilmen at Hounds, 5 p.m. Lakers at Admirals, 5 p.m. Vikings at Snipes, 5 p.m.	<b>FRIDAY:</b> Hounds at Lakers, 5 p.m. Snipes at Vikings, 5 p.m.

## Midwest Collegiate League Standings

TEAM	W	L	%	GB	STR
NWI Oilmen	7	2	.778	---	W2
DuPage County Hounds	7	3	.700	0.5	W1
Lexington Snipes	4	5	.444	3	L1
Joliet Admirals	3	4	.429	3	L1
Southland Vikings	2	4	.333	3.5	L3
Michigan City Lakers	2	7	.222	5	L5

X= Clinched Playoff Berth

Y= Clinched Home Field Advantage

E= Eliminated from Playoff Contention

# 2015 Northwest Indiana Oilmen Roster

## PITCHERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
4	Brandon Barnes	R/R	6-1	185	Paradise Valley CC	Hobart, Ind.
7	Matt Dvorscak	R/R	5-9	155	Shawnee State	Whiting, Ind.
13	Brian Jestice	R/R	6-2	215	Evansville	Hoffman Estates, Ill.
14	Enrique Zamora	R/R	6-3	285	Calumet College	Hammond, Ind.
20/35	Sam Bell	R/R	6-3	215	Marian	Munster, Ind.
27	Christian Sullivan	R/R	6-2	240	Franklin College	Schererville, Ind.
28	Keith Mahler	R/R	6-6	185	Heartland CC / Cumberland	Highland, Ind.
30	Tyler Loesher	R/R	6-11	245	Kishwaukee CC	Woodstock, Ill.
33	Jimmy Skiff	R/R	6-1	160	Purdue Calumet	Dyer, Ind.
43	Richard Yelnick	L/L	6-2	190	Parkland CC	New Lenox, Ill.
42	Hunter Clark	L/L	6-1	190	Eastern Illinois	Granger, Ind.
45 / 25	Christian Howell	R/R	6-1	165	Minnesota State	Aurora, Ill.

## CATCHERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
3	Josh Turnock	L/R	5-10	190	Eastern Illinois	Granger, Ind.
19	Zack Jones	R/R	5-11	190	Trinity Christian	Park Forest, Ill.
24	Joe Jumonville	R/R	5-11	190	Northern Illinois	Munster, Ind.

## OUTFIELDERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
1 / 10	Alec Olund	R/R	6-1	180	Purdue	Schererville, Ind.
21	Tyler Sroczyński	R/R	6-2	205	Wabash Valley / Trinity Christian	Dyer, Ind.
22	Donovan Chandler	R/L	5-8	155	Parkland College	Schererville, Ind.
23	Jordan Lewis	L/R	6-2	205	Purdue	Escondido, Calif.
25	Xavier Warren	R/R	5-9	175	Parkland	Granville, Ill.
26	Fred Smart	R/R	6-4	220	Siena College	Evanston, Ill.

## INFIELDERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
2	Brian Seymour	R/R	5-8	151	South Suburban College	Lansing, Ill.
15	Jeremy Wright	R/R	6-0	184	South Suburban	Munster, Ind.
16	Sam Geraci	R/R	5-10	180	Parkland	Steger, Ill.
17	Stefano Belmonte	R/R	6-2	197	South Suburban	Munster, Ind.
36	Brad Wood	R/R	5-8	165	Northern Illinois	Orland Park, Ill.

Manager - Adam Enright | Assistant Coaches - Matt Pobereyko, Mike Coles, Aaron Furman

# 2015 DuPage County Hounds

## PITCHERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
3	Chris Graziloi	R/R	5-8	150	St. Mary's	Lockport, Ill.
6	Nick Masa	R/R	5-8	180	Illinois-Chicago	HOmer Glen, Ill.
11	DJ Eckert	R/R	6-3	200	St. Joseph's	Danville, Ind.
15	Nick McKinney	R/R	6-2	170	Joliet Junior College	Naperville, Ill.
16	Ryan Taylor	R/R	6-0	200	Heartland	Downers Grove, Ill.
23	Mike Kornacker	R/R	6-3	210	Purdue	Lemont, Ill.
28	Nick Costantino	R/R	6-2	175	Drury	Algonquin, Ill.
32	Ethan Gasbarro	R/R	6-0	165	Valparaiso	Glen Ellyn, Ill.
33	Jimmy Ward	R/R	6-3	175	Evansville	Hanover Park, Ill.
35	Nick Alfini	L/L	6-1	195	St. Ambrose	Downers Grove, Ill.
37	Tom Concklin	R/R	6-5	205	Washington and Lee University	Hinsdale, Ill.
45	Tyler Jandron	R/L	6-1	170	UW-Parkside	Negaunee, Mich.
50	Trent Carrier	R/R	6-3	190	Holy Names	Anaheim, Calif.

## CATCHERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
1	Danny Riley	R/R	6-0	185	Illinois-Chicago	Naperville, Ill.
7	Billy Hayes				Lake County	Lemont, Ill.
24	Mike Roberson	R/R	6-0	205	Ball State	Bartlett, Ill.
25	Hunter Morris	L/R	5-10	195	Eastern Illinois	Paris, Ill.

## INFIELDERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
2	Richie Gorski	R/R	6-2	200	Missouri Southern	Streamwood, Ill.
4	Ryan Fitzgerald	L/R	6-0	180	Creighton University	Bur Ridge, Ill.
10	Matt Wollnik	R/R	5-10	170	Webster University	Naperville, Ill.
18	Bobby Wenthe	L/L	6-1	220	Eastern Illinois	Teutopolis, Ill.
21	Dustin Krob	R/R	5-11	170	Campbell University	Justice, Ill.
42	Michael Wisz	R/R	6-3	225	Houston	Lemont, Ill.

## OUTFIELDERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
8	Johnny Peltz	R/R	6-3	213	Wheaton	Wheaton, Ill.
12	Joe Duncan	R/R	6-2	185	Eastern Illinois	Highland, Ind.
14	Shane Carrier	R/R	6-1	215	Fullerton Junior College	Anaheim Hills, Calif.
19	Emerson Misch	R/L	6-0	195	Valparaiso	Bloomfield Hills, Mich.
22	Zac Taylor	R/R	6-1	185	Houston	Downers Grove, Ill.

Manager - Sean Osborne | Assistant Coaches - Ben Caple, Joe DeCeault, Rick Panek