



Northwest Indiana Oilmen

2014 Game Notes

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TONIGHT'S GAME:

Southland Vikings (8-5)
Northwest Indiana Oilmen (10-5, 8-4)

June 22 - 7:00 (CT) - Whiting, Ind.

Radio: None

Internet: nwioilmen.com (UStream)

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Oilmen News & Notes

For Starters

The Oilmen had their seven-game winning streak snapped on Sunday night with a 2-1 loss to DuPage County. The Oilmen stranded 10 runners on base including the tying run at second in the ninth inning. Bishop Noll graduate and Indiana University commit Larry Crisler made his Oilmen debut, going 1-for-3 with a double and a hit by pitch. Crisler ripped a double high off the left field fence in the sixth inning, narrowly missing a home run. He batted sixth and started in left field in his first game with Northwest Indiana. Crisler also became the first Major League Baseball draft pick in Oilmen history after being selected by the Atlanta Braves in the 36th round this year. Keith Mahler took a tough-luck loss on Sunday despite allowing only one earned run over five innings. Nick Nauracy retired all nine batters he faced in relief.

Inside The Oilmen

The Oilmen suffered their first one-run defeat of the season on Sunday after starting 5-0 in one-run games. Ryan Burvan went 3-for-5 to boost his batting average to a team-best .356 in 12 games. Burvan also leads the team in on-base percentage at .423, while Jason Gasser leads the club in RBIs with eight. Scott Jerge has pitched in 9 2/3 innings and has not yet allowed an earned run this season. Keith Mahler leads the team in ERA among starting pitchers at 1.63.

Inside the Hounds

The Southland Vikings are coming off back-to-back rainouts after being postponed on Sunday against Joliet and Saturday at DuPage. Southland's most recent game was a 5-4 victory over Lexington on Friday night at Homewood-Flossmoor High School. Dan Potempa drilled a go-ahead two-run homer in the bottom of the eighth to allow the Vikings to pull out a dramatic victory. The Oilmen were scheduled to face Brandon White last Wednesday in a game that was postponed due to rain. NWI will avoid the Southland ace as he is unavailable after starting Friday against Lexington.

About the Matchup

The Oilmen lead the season series with the Vikings two games to none and have split the all-time set right down the middle, 12-12. Jimmy McNamara has started both prior games against the Vikings this season, earning the win in both instances. The Oilmen have not officially named a starting pitcher for Monday's game. McNamara's most recent start was on Thursday night against the Zephyrs, but it was wiped out after three innings due to rain.

Around the MCL

The DuPage County Hounds have built a 3.5-game lead over the Oilmen for the top spot in the Midwest Collegiate League. The Lexington Snipes swept a doubleheader against the Chicago Zephyrs on Sunday to improve to 8-7 in MCL play.

2014 Schedule

05/28	LEXINGTON SNIPES	W 2-1
05/30	@ Joliet Admirals	W 13-2
05/31	@ DuPage County Hounds	L 8-1
06/01	@ Lexington Snipes	L 17-5
06/03	@ Southland Vikings	W 2-0
06/05	DUPAGE COUNTY HOUNDS	L 6-3
06/06	MICHIGAN CITY LAKERS*	L 3-1
06/07	@ Michigan City Lakers*	W 5-4
06/12	SOUTHLAND VIKINGS	W 5-4
06/13	JOLIET ADMIRALS	W 2-1
06/14	CHICAGO ZEPHYRS	W 8-0
06/15	LEXINGTON SNIPES	W 6-3
06/17	MICHIGAN CITY LAKERS*	W 5-3
06/20	JOLIET ADMIRALS	W 1-0
06/22	@ DuPage County Hounds	L 2-1
06/23	SOUTHLAND VIKINGS	7:10 PM
06/25	CHICAGO ZEPHYRS	7:10 PM
06/26	JOLIET ADMIRALS	7:10 PM
06/27	DUPAGE COUNTY HOUNDS	7:10 PM
06/28	@ Chicago Zephyrs	12:00 PM
06/29	@ Joliet Admirals	12:00 PM
06/30	@ Southland Vikings	7:10 PM
07/01	VETERANS BENEFIT GAME	7:30 PM
07/03	@ Lexington Snipes	7:10 PM
07/04	SOUTHLAND VIKINGS	3:30 PM
07/05	SOUTHLAND VIKINGS	7:10 PM
07/06	@ Chicago Zephyrs	12:00 PM
07/08	@ Chicago Zephyrs	5:10 PM
07/09	MCL ALL-STAR GAME	7:30 PM
07/11	LEXINGTON SNIPES	7:10 PM
07/12	DUPAGE COUNTY HOUNDS	7:10 PM
07/13	@ DuPage County Hounds	6:00 PM
07/14	@ Southland Vikings	7:10 PM
07/15	ILLINOIS SPARKS*	7:10 PM
07/16	@ Chicago Zephyrs	5:00 PM
07/17	JOLIET ADMIRALS	7:10 PM
07/18	LEXINGTON SNIPES	7:10 PM
07/19	DUPAGE COUNTY HOUNDS	7:10 PM
07/20	CHICAGO ZEPHYRS	4:10 PM
07/20	CHICAGO ZEPHYRS	6:10 PM
07/22	@ DuPage County Hounds	7:10 PM
07/23	SOUTHLAND VIKINGS	7:10 PM
07/24	@ Joliet Admirals	5:00 PM
07/25	@ Joliet Admirals	5:00 PM
07/26	@ Lexington Snipes	1:00 PM
07/26	@ Lexington Snipes	3:00 PM
07/28	@ Chicago Zephyrs	7:00 PM
07/29	@ MCL Playoffs	7:00 PM
07/30	@ MCL Playoffs	7:00 PM
07/31	@ MCL Playoffs	7:00 PM
08/01	@ MCL Playoffs	7:00 PM
08/02	@ MCL Playoffs	7:00 PM
08/03	@ MCL Playoffs	7:00 PM

*- denotes nonleague game

CAPS- denotes home game

NWI Oilmen Fast Facts

Founded/First Season.....2012
 Location.....Whiting, Ind.
 Owners.....Don Popravak, Kim Payne, Ron Kittle
 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.....Justin Huisman (third season)
 All-Time Team Record.....69-37, 62-34 in MCL Games
 Home Record.....47-18 (44-16 in MCL)
 Road Record.....24-19
 Playoff Appearances.....2012, 2013
 Playoff Record.....6-2
 Playoff Home Record.....3-1
 Playoff Road Record.....3-1
 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 will handle play-by-play duties for every Oilmen game this season. Joey Gelman joins Brandon for all home games, while David Bork provides color commentary when the team is on the road. To listen on the internet, click the "Listen Live" tab at the top of the NWIOilmen.com homepage.



Midwest Collegiate League Scoreboard

SATURDAY: Chicago Zephyrs @ NWI Oilmen ppd. Southland Vikings @ DuPage Hounds ppd. Lexington Snipes 6, Joliet Admirals 1	SUNDAY: DuPage County Hounds 2, NWI Oilmen 1 Lexington Snipes 4, Chicago Zephyrs 3 Lexington Snipes 13, Chicago Zephyrs 0
MONDAY: Southland Vikings @ NWI Oilmen	TUESDAY: DuPage County Hounds @ Chicago Zephyrs Southland Vikings @ Michigan City Lakers

Midwest Collegiate League Standings

TEAM	W	L	%	GB	STR
DuPage County Hounds	14	3	0.813	---	W6
NWI Oilmen	8	4	0.667	3.5	L1
Southland Vikings	8	5	0.615	4	W4
Lexington Snipes	8	7	0.533	5	W3
Joliet Admirals	3	12	0.200	10	L9
Chicago Zephyrs	2	12	0.143	10.5	L6

X= Clinched Playoff Berth

Y= Clinched Home Field Advantage

E= Eliminated from Playoff Contention

2014 Northwest Indiana Oilmen Roster

PITCHERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
10	Andrew Jackson	L/L	6-5	210	Wabash College	Wheatfield, Ind
16	Cameron Linck	R/R	6-2	175	Hill College	Kingwood, Texas
21	Nick Nauracy	R/R	6-1	185	Ohio University	Crown Point, Ind
25	Jimmy McNamara	L/L	6-2	175	Central Michigan	Dyer, Ind.
26	Danny Pobereyko	R/R	6-5	200	Butler University	Munster, Ind.
27	Andrew Lowe	R/R	6-2	220	UW-Whitewater	Whiting, Ind.
28	Keith Mahler	R/R	6-6	185	Heartland Community College	Highland, Ind.
29	Anthony Gomez	L/L	6-0	200	Ball State	Munster, Ind.
30	Aaron Glatt	R/R	6-2	190	University of Dayton	Schererville, Ind.
35	Garrett Sherrell	R/R	6-4	185	Arkansas Little Rock	New Albany, Ind.
36	Scott Jerge	R/R	6-0	185	Valparaiso	Munster, Ind.
42	Matt Pobereyko	R/R	6-1	239	Kentucky Wesleyan	Munster, Ind.

CATCHERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
19	Zack Jones	R/R	5-11	190	Trinity Christian College	Park Forest, Ill.
23	Andrew Ray	R/R	6-1	195	Northern Illinois University	Michigan City, Ind.
33	Alec Ornelas	R/R	6-1	197	Central Michigan University	Mokena, Ill.

INFIELDERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
2	Ryan Burvan	R/R	5-11	165	Purdue University	Dyer, Ind.
3	Kevin DeFilippis	R/R	6-0	170	University of Notre Dame	Homer Glen, Ill.
13	Nick Vogelmeier	R/R	5-11	165	Western Michigan University	Lake Orion, Mich.
14	James Meeker	R/L	6-4	180	Akron University	Wexford, Penn.
15	Anthony Colosimo	L/L	6-0	185	Purdue Calumet	Lake Forest, Ill.
22	Nate Schneider	R/R	6-2	210	Western Michigan University	Portage, Mich.
24	Brodie Meyer	R/R	6-0	180	Butler University	Palos Heights, Ill.

OUTFIELDERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
1	Craig Dedelow	L/R	6-4	190	Indiana University	Munster, Ind.
7	Larry Crisler	R/R	6-4	190	Indiana University	Gary, Ind.
9	Rob Blissitt, Jr.	R/R	6-3	165	University of Cincinnati	Markham, Ill.
17	Jason Gasser	L/R	6-0	195	Northern Illinois University	Dyer, Ind.

Manager - Justin Huisman | Assistant Coaches - Adam Enright, Mike Coles

2014 Southland Vikings Roster

PITCHERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
1	Brandon White	R/R	6-3	195	Hill Community College	Chicago, Ill.
12	Kevin Halberg	R/R	6-4	200	Grand Valley State University	Lansing, Ill.
14	Richard Fordon	L/L	6-4	215	Northweset University	Flossmoor, Ill.
18	Mike Poulos	R/R	6-5	220	Purdue Calumet	Munster, Ind.
21	Anthony Spangler	R/R	5-11	185	Purdue Calumet	Lansing, Ill.
22	Connor Ryan	R/R	6-1	175	Prairie State College	Homer Glen, Ill.
25	Alex Lesiak	R/R	6-5	220	Parkland College	Tinley Park, Ill.
32	Robby Nunn	R/R	6-4	190	Western Illinois University	Chicago Heights, Ill.
34	Dan Wetzal	R/R	6-2	160	St. Xavier University	Tinley Park, Ill.
38	Justin Freeman	R/R	6-4	195	Southern University	Olympia Fields, Ill.
44	Zac Miller	R/R	6-2	200	Purdue Calumet	White Pigeon, Mich.
45	Tyler House	L/L	6-5	215	University of Missouri	Chicago, Ill.

CATCHERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
11	Alex Lugo	R/R	5-11	210	Western Oklahoma State	Chicago, Ill.
14	Jake Hickey	R/R	6-0	185	South Suburban College	Frankfort, Ill.
28	Nate Ruzich	R/R	6-2	200	Northern Illinois University	Joliet, Ill.

INFIELDERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
	Kendall King	R/R	5-10	145	Western Illinois University	Flossmoor, Ill.
6	Micah Rooke	R/R	5-10	185	Purdue Calumet	Whiting, Ind.
10	Bobby Shepard	R/R	5-11	180	University of Buffalo	Orland Park, Ill.
19	Stefano Belmante	R/R	6-0	200	South Suburban / Purdue	Chicago, Ill.
20	Jeff Boehm	L/L	6-1	215	University of Illinois-Chicago	Lansing, Ill.

OUTFIELDERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
2	Rob Ciffelli	L/L	5-6	160	John Carroll University	Chicago Heights, Ill.
3	Steve Letz	R/R	6-0	185	Northern Illinois University	Dyer, Ind.
5	Chase Fieldhouse	R/R	6-0	185	Kaskaskia College	St. John, Ind.
15	Brandon Mallder	L/L	6-0	185	Northern Illinois University	Bridgeview, Ill.
22	Chris Sujka	R/R	5-10	190	Indiana University	Oak Forest, Ill.
27	Dan Potempa	R/R	5-11	230	University of Iowa	Tinley Park, Ill.

Manager - Chris Cunningham | Pitching Coach - Marvin Freeman

2014 Northwest Indiana Oilmen Stats

Batting												
Player	AVG	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	HBP	SB
Burvan	.356	12	45	8	16	3	0	0	3	6	0	0
Gasser	.350	11	40	3	14	4	1	0	8	5	0	1
Dedelow	.333	6	24	3	8	4	0	0	5	2	0	1
Crisler	.333	1	3	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
Meeker	.293	11	41	5	12	1	0	1	5	6	0	1
Schneider	.262	13	42	3	11	4	0	0	6	6	2	4
Blissitt	.228	12	42	5	10	1	0	0	2	4	0	2
DeFilippis	.213	13	47	10	10	3	0	0	2	6	2	5
Ray	.194	10	31	2	6	0	0	1	3	5	1	0
Ornelas	.212	11	33	3	7	1	0	0	2	4	4	0
Vogelmeier	.171	13	41	8	7	1	0	0	1	8	1	2
Jones	.171	10	3	4	6	2	1	0	3	7	0	1
Colosimo	.167	10	30	3	5	0	0	0	3	8	0	0

Pitching									
Pitchers	IP	R	ER	BB	K	W	L	SV	ERA
Jerge	9.2	1	0	4	3	0	0	0	0.00
Jackson	3	0	0	3	3	1	0	0	0.00
Pobereyko, M	8.2	1	1	3	13	0	0	7	1.04
Mahler	22	6	4	4	16	1	3	0	1.63
Linck	22	5	2	1	7	3	0	0	2.04
McNamara	17	5	5	1	17	2	0	0	2.65
Lowe	5	2	2	1	7	0	0	0	3.60
Pobereyko, D	11.1	5	5	3	13	1	1	0	3.97
Nauracy	14.1	11	9	4	21	1	1	0	5.65
Gomez	7.1	5	5	6	5	1	0	1	6.14
Sherrell	8	8	7	6	8	0	0	0	7.87
Glatt	4.2	6	6	3	3	0	0	0	14.73