



# Northwest Indiana Oilmen

## 2015 Game Notes

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### SATURDAY'S GAME:

Joliet Admirals (5-7)  
at NWI Oilmen (10-5)

June 27 - 7:10 p.m. (CT) - Whiting, Ind.  
Radio: AM 1230 WJOB

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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	L 4-3
6/20	@ Lexington Snipes (DH)	W 6-1
6/20	@ Lexington Snipes (DH)	L 5-4
6/21	@ Michigan City Lakers	L 13-12
6/24	JOLIET ADMIRALS	W 1-0
6/25	MICHIGAN CITY LAKERS	W 12-3
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.
7/14	@ Joliet Admirals	5 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 (DH)	TBD
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 won back-to-back games to start the homestand and hold a 5-1 record in games played at Oil City Stadium this season. Christian Howell became the first Oilmen starter this year to work into the eighth inning on Thursday night, tossing 7 2/3 dazzling frames with only one run (earned) allowed. The Oilmen prevailed 12-3, defeating Michigan City for the first time this season. Six different Oilmen had multiple hits in Northwest Indiana's most lopsided win since July 20, 2014, an 11-2 triumph over the Zephyrs. The Oilmen picked up the 100th victory in team history on Thursday night. The 2012 Midwest Collegiate League champion Oilmen will be recognized before Saturday's game as part of Whiting's Day of Champions. Players from the team and former Oilmen manager Justin Huisman will be in attendance.

### Inside The Oilmen

After being scratched from Wednesday's scheduled start with an eye infection and pushed back again by Friday's rainout, Keith Mahler is expected to take the hill on Saturday night. Mahler, the only second-year Oilmen pitcher, holds a 4.50 ERA in three starts. His most recent outing came on June 18, when he yielded two runs on four hits over five innings and had no decision in a 4-3 loss to DuPage County. Mahler faced the Snipes on June 7, picking up the win despite allowing four runs on seven hits over four innings in a rain-shortened 7-4 win for the Oilmen. Josh Turnock picked up his third three-hit game of the season on Tuesday night, becoming the first Oilmen with three three-hit days this season. Only Tyler Sroczynski joins Turnock with more than one three-hit performance.

### Inside the Admirals

The Admirals go with Central Michigan right-hander Sean Renzi on Saturday night in Whiting. He made his Joliet debut on June 20 at DuPage, getting the win with six innings of one-run ball. Renzi tossed eight innings out of the Chippewa bullpen as a junior this spring. Micah Coffey is one of Joliet's leading hitters at .337, but he's 0-for his last seven including a hitless performance against the Oilmen on Wednesday.

### About the Matchup

The Oilmen have won three of the first four meetings with the Admirals this season. They lead the all-time series 19-4. The most recent meeting took place on Wednesday night at Oil City Stadium, as Northwest Indiana captured a dramatic 1-0 victory behind a lights out pitching performance by Jimmy Skiff.

### Around the MCL

The Oilmen now sit in a first-place tie with DuPage County in the Midwest Collegiate League, technically percentage points ahead of the Hounds. The Snipes join the Hounds and Oilmen as the three MCL teams with winning records. Both scheduled MCL games were washed out on Friday night, including the Oilmen and the Snipes.

## 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.....100-54, 88-51 in MCL Games  
     Home Record..... 61-27  
     Road Record..... 39-26  
 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>THURSDAY:</b> Hounds 3, Vikings 2   Hounds 5, Vikings 2 Snipes 4, Admirals 1 Oilmen 12, Lakers 3	<b>FRIDAY:</b> Admirals at Lakers, ppd Snipes at Oilmen, ppd
<b>SATURDAY:</b> Lakers at Hounds, 1 p.m. Vikings at Snipes, 1 p.m. Admirals at Oilmen, 7 p.m.	<b>SUNDAY:</b> Snipes at Lakers, 1 p.m. Vikings at Snipes, 4 p.m. Admirals at Oilmen, 7 p.m.

## Midwest Collegiate League Standings

TEAM	W	L	%	GB	STR
NWI Oilmen	10	5	.667	---	W1
DC Hounds	11	6	.647	---	L1
Lexington Snipes	8	6	.571	1.5	W3
Joliet Admirals	5	7	.417	3.5	L3
Southland Vikings	4	7	.364	4	W1
Michigan City Lakers	4	11	.364	6	L1

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 Sroczynski	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 / Central Oklahoma	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 / UW Milwaukee	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 Joliet Admirals Roster

## PITCHERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
14	Tyler Paulsen	R/R	6-5	210	Illinois State (commit)	Channahon, Ill.
16	Dave Schurr	R/L	6-4	180	St. Joseph's College	Plainfield, Ill.
18	Nate Tholl	R/R	5-10	170	John A. Logan College	Tinley Park, Ill.
19	Mike Miller	R/R	6-1	165	SIU Edwardsville	Tinley Park, Ill.
20	Yianni Pavlopoulos	R/R	6-1	205	Ohio State	Homer Glen, Ill.
21	Ryan Van Volkenberg	R/L	5-11	180	Maryville	Lisle, Ill.
22	Julian Langford	R/R	6-2	220	Maryville	Naperville, Ill.
23	Nick Allgeyer	L/L	6-3	200	University of Iowa	St. Louis, Mo.
24	Steven Skolarz	R/R	6-6	210	Uncommitted	New Lenox, Ill.
25	Steve Waldrop	R/R	6-1	200	College of DuPage	Bolingbrook, Ill.
27	Brendan Miller	R/R	6-3	185	SIU Edwardsville	Plainfield, Ill.
28	Sean Renzi	R/R	6-3	245	Central Michigan	Plainfield, Ill.
30	Zach Thomas	L/L	5-11	160	Chicago State	Joliet, Ill.

## CATCHERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
2	Alex Wolanski	R/R	5-11	190	Eastern Michigan	Naperville, Ill.
3	JT Sole	R/R	5-8	175	University of Iowa	Cedar Falls, Iowa

## INFIELDERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
1	Micah Coffey	L/R	6-1	190	Minnesota	Batavia, Ill.
4	Anthony Bragg	R/R	6-3	230	Elgin CC	Geneva, Ill.
6	Jack Martin	R/R	6-5	210	Eastern Illinois	Carmel, Ind.
7	Danny Kelly	R/R	5-10	165	Illinois Wesleyan	Chicago, Ill.
15	Matt Sullivan	R/R	5-10	170	Chicago State	Lake in the Hills, Ill.
26	Josh Bergbreiter	R/R	5-9	160	Kankakee CC	Elk Grove Village, Ill.
31	Ryan Hutchinson	R/R	6-3	200	Illinois State	Edwardsville, Ill.

## OUTFIELDERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
8	Brad Groleau	L/L	6-0	190	McKendree	Peru, Ill.
9	John Thomas	R/R		190	Indianapolis	Dixon, Ill.
10	Justin Kovalsky	R/R		190	Benedictine	Bolingbrook, Ill.
11	Mark Brown	L/L	6-3	210	Akron	Indianapolis, Ind.
12	Troy Payton	R/R	5-9	170	Maryville	Orland Park, Ill.

Manager - Tom Barry | Assistant Coach - Nick Filetti