



# Northwest Indiana Oilmen

## 2015 Game Notes

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### SATURDAY'S GAME:

Michigan City Lakers (11-20)

at NWI Oilmen (19-12)

July 18 - 7:10 p.m. (CT) - Whiting, Ind.

Radio: None

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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	W 10-0
6/28	SOUTHLAND VIKINGS	W 13-0
6/30	MICHIGAN CITY LAKERS	L 6-5
7/1	MICHIGAN CITY LAKERS	W 11-2
7/2	DUPAGE COUNTY HOUNDS	W 4-3
7/3	@ Lexington Snipes	L 7-3
7/4	MICHIGAN CITY LAKERS	L 7-5
7/5	JOLIET ADMIRALS	W 6-1
7/7	MCL ALL-STAR GAME	----
7/9	SOUTHLAND VIKINGS	L 7-5
7/10	@ Michigan City Lakers	L 5-4
7/11	@ DuPage County Hounds	L 13-4
7/12	@ Lexington Snipes	L 8-6
7/13	LEXINGTON SNIPES	W 4-3
7/14	@ Joliet Admirals	PPD
7/15	JOLIET ADMIRALS	W 8-4
7/17	SOUTHLAND VIKINGS	W 4-3
7/17	SOUTHLAND VIKINGS	W 1-0
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

Sunday's game against DuPage County may appear to be the most significant game of the weekend, but the Oilmen are certainly not looking past the Michigan City Lakers. That's because the Oilmen are 2-5 against Michigan City this season. The Lakers are the only team in the MCL that the Oilmen have a losing record against. Five of Michigan City's 11 wins this year have come against the Oilmen. The Lakers have dropped three straight entering Saturday, while the Oilmen hold a four-game winning streak.

### Inside The Oilmen

There are 15 games remaining in the season, including a makeup game with Joliet that has not yet been rescheduled. Entering Saturday's league games, the Oilmen are three back of the DuPage County Hounds. The Hounds have won seven consecutive games to put themselves in favorable position to win the Midwest Collegiate League regular season title. The two teams do have three more meetings with one another, giving the Oilmen the opportunity to make up ground. The Oilmen have now played in 11 one-run games this season, winning two more of them on Friday against Southland. Enrique Zamora shattered the team's single-game strikeout record, becoming the first player in franchise history to record 11 strikeouts in one game. He also took over the league lead with 43 strikeouts and is 10 away from passing Danny Pobereyko's single-season franchise record. Tyler Sroczyński is flirting with the highest batting average in team history. He stands at .384 with two weeks remaining, while John Loeffler finished 2012 at .387.

### Inside the Lakers

The Lakers remain within striking distance of the final Midwest Collegiate League playoff spot. They enter Saturday only 1 ½ games behind fourth-place Joliet. Their success against the Oilmen has allowed the Lakers to remain in the playoff hunt. They send Indiana's Bobby Humphreys to the mound for Saturday's game. He is 0-2 with a 7.00 ERA in 27 innings. The Oilmen have faced Humphreys twice, including June 25, when they scored eight runs on 11 hits against him.

### About the Matchup

The Lakers have already secured at least a split in the season series. They can clinch the season set with a win on Saturday. The two teams meet again on July 26 at Marquette Athletic Complex and July 30 at Oil City Stadium. The last time the two teams faced off, the Oilmen fell 5-4 on July 10 in Michigan City. Jerry Hodges hit a go-ahead, three-run homer in the fifth that provided the game's big blow.

### Around the MCL

The Snipes and Hounds play a doubleheader on Saturday at Lemont Sports Complex. The Oilmen will keep a close eye on those games, as they enter Saturday three back of the Hounds and tied for second with Lexington.

## NWI Oilmen Fast Facts

Founded/First Season.....2012  
 Location.....Whiting, Ind.  
 Owner.....Don Popravak (2012-present)  
 Address.....1500 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.....109-61, 93-58 in MCL Games  
     Home Record..... 70-30  
     Road Record.....39-31  
 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, a rotating cast of color commentators will handle games, including Brandon Pavlina (road games) and former Oilmen pitcher Andrew Lowe (select 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> Snipes 12, Admirals 8 Hounds 7, Lakers 2	<b>FRIDAY:</b> Lakers at Snipes, 5 p.m. ppd. Hounds 8, Admirals 4 Oilmen 4, Vikings 3   Oilmen 1, Vikings 0
<b>SATURDAY:</b> Vikings at Admirals, 1 p.m. & 4 p.m. Snipes at Hounds, 1 p.m. & 4 p.m. Lakers at Oilmen, 7 p.m.	<b>SUNDAY:</b> Vikings at Lakers, 1 p.m. Admirals at Snipes, 1 p.m. Hounds at Oilmen, 4 p.m.

## Midwest Collegiate League Standings

TEAM	W	L	%	GB	STR
DC Hounds	22	9	.710	---	W7
Lexington Snipes	19	12	.613	3	W3
NWI Oilmen	19	12	.613	3	W4
Joliet Admirals	10	16	.385	9.5	L3
Michigan City Lakers	11	20	.355	11	L3
Southland Vikings	8	20	.286	12.5	L7

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
7	Brandon Murray	R/R	6-4	200	South Carolina	Hobart, 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.
42	Hunter Clark	L/L	6-1	190	Eastern Illinois	Granger, Ind.
43	Richard Yelnick	L/L	6-2	190	Parkland CC	New Lenox, Ill.
45/28	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.
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.
30	Alec Barnhart	L/R	6-0	190	St. Xavier / Trinity Christian	Hometown, Ill.
36	Brad Wood	R/R	5-8	165	Northern Illinois	Orland Park, Ill.

Manager - Adam Enright | Assistant Coach - Aaron Furman

# 2015 Michigan City Lakers

## PITCHERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
10	Casey Young	R/R				
11	Jake Povlock	R/R				Michigan City, Ind.
<sup>13/32</sup>	Tom Fitzgerald	R/R				Australia
14	Will Rudolphi	R/R				
15	Bobby Humphreys	R/R	6-2	188	Indiana	Chesterton, Ind.
16	Collin Arnold	L/L	6-1	165	Purdue	Lafayette, Ind.
17	Kyle Marburger	R/R			William Woods University	
18	Aery Pratt	R/L				Chesterton, Ind.
20	Christian Bokich	R/R			Miami of Ohio	
26	Adam Dressler	R/R			Purdue	Clarendon Hills, Ill.
32	Jim Catanzarite	R/R				Mishawaka, Ind.
	John Cristo	L/R			Purdue Calumet	Munster, Ind.

## CATCHERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
8	Scott Capers	R/R			Valparasio (commit)	
12	Spencer Sutton	R/R	5-9	175	Trine	Chesterton, Ind.
16	Jay Resendez				Purdue North Central	Rensselaer, Ind.

## INFIELDERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
1	RJ Zambrano	R/R			Purdue North Central	Merrillville, Ind.
3	Andy Kovarik	R/R	6-3	220	Elgin CC	Crystal Lake, Ill.
4	Chase Clarkson	R/R	5-10	185	Wabash College (commit)	Michigan City, Ind.
5	Jerry Hodges	R/R				Michigan City, Ind.
6	Chris Delgadillo	R/R	5-8	165	IPFW	Schererville, Ind.
7	Anthony Olund				Purdue North Central	Schererville, Ind.
<sup>7/14</sup>	Tom Bell	R/R				Australia
25	Max Kerr	R/R	6-2	265	Purdue North Central	Chesterton, Ind.
50	KJ Zelenika	R/R				

## OUTFIELDERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
2	Colin Willis	L/R	6-1	190	Purdue North Central	Sheboygan, Wis.
9	Greg Fadell	L/L				Valparaiso, Ind.
21	Devin Bafia	L/L			Prairie State	
23	Judah Zickafoose	R/R			Arizona Western College	Westview, Ind.
24	Zeke White	R/R	5-8	165	IPFW	South Bend, Ind.
27	Joe Kennedy	L/L	6-0	170	Eastern Michigan	St. John, Ind.
59	Josh Henderson					
30	Alex VanDam					

Manager - Tim Jahnz | Assistant Coaches - Mike Einstein, Carl Swenson