



Northwest Indiana Oilmen

2015 Game Notes

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TUESDAY'S GAME:
Southland Vikings (10-20)
at NWI Oilmen (19-13)

July 21 - 7:10 p.m. (CT) - Whiting, Ind.
Radio: AM 1230 WJOB
Internet broadcast: nwioilmen.com

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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
7/19	DUPAGE COUNTY HOUNDS	L 5-1
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 Oilmen had a four-game winning streak snapped with a 5-1 loss to DuPage County on Sunday. The Oilmen have totaled two runs in the last two games. Brad Wood went 0-for-4 on Sunday after hitting .533 in his previous four games. Wood's six-game hitting streak was snapped. Stefano Belmonte has gone three straight games without an RBI for the first time all season. Tyler Sroczynski is 9-for-18 (.500) in the last five games. With Friday's 1-0 win over Southland, the Oilmen improved to 6-0 all-time in rain-shortened games, including 3-0 this season.

Inside The Oilmen

The Oilmen scratched out a run in the seventh inning of Sunday's game to avoid being blanked and extend their impressive streak of not being shutout. In the four-year history of the franchise, the Oilmen have never been shutout in a nine-inning game. They have only been shut out twice in franchise history, both seven-inning games during the 2013 season. Brandon Murray will look to bounce back from back-to-back rough outings to start his Oilmen career. The South Carolina hurler and 2014 MLB draftee holds a team-high 8.75 ERA, allowing 10 runs in eight innings. He faced the Vikings in his Oilmen debut, allowing six earned runs on four hits and three walks in four innings to take the loss.

Inside the Vikings

Just when their hopes of reaching the postseason were looking bleak, the Southland Vikings climbed back into contention with a doubleheader sweep of Joliet on Saturday. The Vikings enter Tuesday night 1 ½ games back of the Admirals for the final playoff spot. Southland is looking to avoid missing the playoffs for the first time in the six-year history of the team. The Vikings can draw even with fifth-place Michigan City with a win on Tuesday. The Vikings were rained out on Sunday against Michigan City. Saturday's second game in Joliet featured a dramatic comeback as the Vikings scored six times in the sixth of a seven-inning game to win 7-6. Southland's leading hitter is Luis Avila, who is batting .294.

About the Matchup

The Oilmen swept a doubleheader from the Vikings on Friday night at Oil City Stadium, 4-3 and 1-0. The Oilmen have won four of the first five meetings between the two teams and can nail down the season series with a win on Tuesday. The longtime foes have split the 36 all-time meetings right down the middle, with each team capturing 18 wins over the other.

Around the MCL

The Admirals and Hounds play a doubleheader at Joliet Junior College on Tuesday. Entering Tuesday, the Lakers are a game behind the Admirals for the fourth and final postseason position, while the Vikings are 1 ½ games back of Joliet for fourth. The Hounds have some breathing room atop the standings, owning a four game lead over NWI and 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.....109-62, 93-59 in MCL Games
 Home Record..... 70-31
 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

SATURDAY: Vikings 5, Admirals 0 Vikings 7, Admirals 6 Hounds 10, Snipes 7 Snipes 5, Hounds 4 Lakers at Oilmen, canc.	SUNDAY: Vikings at Lakers, ppd. Admirals 5, Snipes 4 Hounds 5, Oilmen 1
TUESDAY: Vikings at Oilmen, 7 p.m. Hounds at Admirals, 3 p.m. & 5 p.m.	WEDNESDAY: Hounds at Vikings, 5 p.m. Lakers at Admirals, 5 p.m. Snipes at Oilmen, 5 p.m.

Midwest Collegiate League Standings

TEAM	W	L	%	GB	STR
DC Hounds	24	10	.706	---	W1
NWI Oilmen	19	13	.594	4	L1
Lexington Snipes	20	14	.588	4	L1
Joliet Admirals	11	18	.379	10.5	W1
Michigan City Lakers	11	20	.355	11.5	L3
Southland Vikings	10	20	.333	12	W2

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	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.
29	Kyle VanKalker	R/R	6-1		Trinity Christian	Dyer, Ind.
36	Brad Wood	R/R	5-8	165	Northern Illinois	Orland Park, Ill.

Manager - Adam Enright | Assistant Coach - Aaron Furman

2015 Southland Vikings Roster

PITCHERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
1	Jose Romero	L/L	6-0	225	South Suburban	Reavis
3	John Swisher	L/L	5-10	165	Roosevelt University	Manhattan, Ill.
10	Michael Shereyk	L/R	6-0	205	SIU Edwardsville	Flossmoor, Ill.
11	Joseph Plaud	R/R	6-0	180	UW-Parkside	Chicago, Ill.
12	Dan Jankowski	L/L	6-4	195	South Suburban	Lansing, Ill.
17	Justin Freeman	R/R	6-4	195	Southern University	Olympia Fields, Ill.
18	Jordan Young	R/R	6-2	215	Vincennes	Lafayette, Ind.
19	Colton Lopez	L/L			Beloit	Chicago, Ill.
26	Trevor Henderson	L/L	6-4	230	Ball State	Plainfield, Ill.
27	Jalen Purchase	R/R			Joliet Junior College	Chicago, Ill.
28	Mitch Prickett	R/R	6-2	185	Purdue North Central	Yorkville, Ill.
32	Robby Nunn	R/R	6-4	210	Western Illinois University	Crete, Ill.
34	Matt Sandoval	R/R	6-1		Purdue Calumet	Highland, Ind.
45	Brian Henry	R/R	6-4	265	Illinois Wesleyan	Morris, Ill.

CATCHERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
2	Jake Hickey	R/R	6-0	199	South Suburban College	Frankfort, Ill.
29	Jesse Forestell	L/R	6-0	190	Western Michigan	Flossmoor, Ill.

INFIELDERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
15	Jacob Lane	R/R	6-4	190	Kankakee / Purdue North Central	Indianapolis, Ind.
5	Jeff Cardenas	L/R	5-11	185	Kankakee	Fort Wayne, Ind.
9	Kendall King	R/R	5-11	160	Western Illinois	Homewood, Ill.
6	Sanford Hunt	R/R	6-0	170	Chicago State	Chicago, Ill.
13	Louis Avila	R/R	5-8	150	South Suburban College	Flossmoor, Ill.
35	Chris Stevens	R/R	6-4	220	Eastern Mexico	Bolingbrook, Ill.

OUTFIELDERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
4	Cody Haver	R/R	6-0	195	Purdue North Central	Valparaiso, Ind.
20	Jordan Jackson	R/R	6-2	160	Oakland University	Chicago, Ill.
21	Tyler Johnson	R/R	5-9	160	Texas Southern	Chicago, Ill.
22	Matt Cole	R/R	6-1	195	Madison Tech	
24	Chris Pikoulas	R/R	6-2	235	Lewis	Frankfort, Ill.
38	Clark Brinkman	R/R	6-3	185	University of Dayton	Addison, Ill.

Manager - Tony Sanchez | Pitching Coach - Marvin Freeman