



Northwest Indiana Oilmen

2015 Game Notes

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WEDNESDAY'S GAME:
Lexington Snipes (20-14)
at NWI Oilmen (20-13)

July 22 - 7:10 p.m. (CT) - Whiting, Ind.
Radio: AM 1230 WJOB
Internet broadcast: nwioilmen.com

GAME

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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	W 8-1
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 have welcomed two new players within the last week, as Adam Enright has bolstered his roster for the playoff push with infielder Kyle VanKalker and outfielder Joe Bryant. Bryant hit .488 at Munster High School as a senior this spring. He is headed to South Suburban College, where he will join Oilmen infielder Brian Seymour. Bryant has been ranked as high as second in the world in the video game Call of Duty: Ghosts. Bryant was high school teammates with NWI's Sam Bell and Joe Jumonville. VanKalker played with NWI's Tyler Sroczynski at Illiana Christian High School. The two will also play together in 2016 at Trinity Christian, along with Oilmen catcher Zack Jones. VanKalker, who hit .318 as a freshman with the Trolls, had his first hit and RBIs as an Oilman on Tuesday.

Inside The Oilmen

The Oilmen have won five of their last six games. On Tuesday, they enjoyed their first lopsided win since July 1 by steamrolling Southland 8-1. Brandon Murray notched his first MCL win. Hunter Clark tossed two scoreless innings after appearing in a game only once over the previous 20 days. Jordan Lewis drove in a run with a double, his second RBI in July after he racked up 12 in June. Christian Howell toes the rubber for the Oilmen on Wednesday. He holds a 2.58 ERA and 2-0 record in 38 1/3 innings. Howell pitched against the Snipes on July 12, throwing 6 1/3 innings in relief and allowing two runs on four hits. This is Howell's first start since July 1 after three consecutive appearances out of the bullpen. The Oilmen are 3-3 against the Snipes this season.

Inside the Snipes

Noah Lamboley gets the start on the mound for Lexington. In four MCL starts, he has two strong outings and two wobbly ones. He gave up seven runs (four earned) in four innings against Joliet on June 16 and was touched for six earned runs in five innings against DuPage County on July 1. Overall, Lamboley is 2-2 with a 4.95 ERA in 20 innings. The Snipes dropped two of three over the weekend, splitting a doubleheader with DuPage County before falling 5-4 to Joliet on Sunday. Deion Thompson has drawn 28 bases on balls this season, breaking Snipes all-time record set by Josh Levy in 2010. Thompson leads the team in on-base percentage at .464. Jared McCunn drove in four runs in Saturday's doubleheader against the Hounds and now has 25 RBIs this season, one away from Stefano Belmonte's league-leading total. The Oilmen aren't the only ones making late-season roster moves, as the Snipes released Jeff Lavin and added Nick Barnhill this week. Barnhill, who is entering his senior season with Concordia, pitched for the Snipes the last two years before spending the majority of this summer in the Arizona Collegiate Wood Bat League.

Around the MCL

The Lakers and Admirals face off on Wednesday in a doubleheader. If the Admirals lose both, they will slip out of the top four in the standings for the first time since June 16. A Laker doubleheader victory will put them in the top four for the first time since June 13, when they were 2-3. The Hounds have officially clinched a playoff berth.

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.....110-62, 94-59 in MCL Games
 Home Record..... 71-31
 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

SUNDAY: Vikings at Lakers, ppd. Admirals 5, Snipes 4 Hounds 5, Oilmen 1	TUESDAY: Oilmen 8, Vikings 1 Hounds 15, Admirals 6 Hounds 7, Admirals 5
WEDNESDAY: Hounds at Vikings, 5 p.m. Lakers at Admirals, 3 p.m. & 5 p.m. Snipes at Oilmen, 5 p.m.	THURSDAY: Snipes at Vikings, 5 p.m. Oilmen at Hounds, 5 p.m.

Midwest Collegiate League Standings

TEAM	W	L	%	GB	STR
X DC Hounds	26	10	.722	---	W3
NWI Oilmen	20	13	.606	4.5	W1
Lexington Snipes	20	14	.588	5	L1
Joliet Admirals	11	20	.355	12.5	L2
Michigan City Lakers	11	20	.355	12.5	L3
Southland Vikings	10	21	.323	13.5	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
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.
30	Joe Bryant	R/R			South Suburban	Munster, Ind.

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 Lexington Snipes

PITCHERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
1	Kody Silverthorn	R/R	6-0	175	Parkland College	
6	Brett Fanning	R/R	5-10	160	Upper Iowa	
11	Kolton Vermillion	R/R	6-2	215	Heartland	
14	Travis Auer	R/R	6-0	175	Heartland	
16	Jack Rettig	L/L	6-3	185	Illinois State (commit)	
23	Ross Learnard	R/L	6-1	170	Parkland	
26	Matt Jenkins	L/L	6-3	195	Parkland	
27	Noah Lamboley	R/R			Parkland	
30	Ian Hall	L/L	5-9	165	Heartland	
34	Tim Smyk	R/R	6-2	210	Illinois Wesleyan (commit)	
35	Jake Sale	R/R	5-11	177	Illinois State University	
35	Nick Barnhill	R/R			Concordia	

CATCHERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
3	Cale Robinson	R/R	6-0	180	Lewis University	
20	Jason Priest	R/R	6-0	195	Illinois Central College	

INFIELDERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
4	Tanner Russell	R/R	6-0	170	Parkland	
7	Jared McCunn	R/R	6-3	206	Illinois Lincoln College	
8	Neal Tyrell	R/R	6-1	185	Lewis	
13	Reid Birlingmair	L/R	6-1	185	University of Chicago (commit)	
15	Owen Miller	R/R	6-0	185	Illinois State (commit)	
24	Chris Maranto	R/R	5-10	180	Butler	
26	Matt Jenkins	L/L	6-3	195	Parkland	
28	Deion Thompson	R/R	6-2	190	Western Illinois (commit)	

OUTFIELDERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
2	Tyler Horchem	R/R	6-0	190	John A. Logan	
10	Cully Day	L/L	6-1	170	Parkland	
12	Ryan Frye	R/L	6-2	175	Evangel	

Manager - Billy DuBois | Assistant Coach - Darrin Frye