

Northwest Indiana Oilmen 2015 Game Notes

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TUESDAY'S GAME:

DuPage County Hounds (6-2) at NWI Oilmen (6-2)

June 16 - 7:10 p.m. (CT) - Whiting, Ind.

Radio: AM 1230 WJOB

Internet: nwioilmen.com (UStream)





For Starters

It's early, but the Oilmen and Hounds are already locked in a tightly-contested race atop the Midwest Collegiate League standings. The only DuPage County losses this season have come to the Oilmen. They enter Tuesday as the only two teams in the league with records above .500.

<u>Inside The Oilmen</u>

Christian Howell will make his second start in an Oilmen uniform on Tuesday. The Minnesota State Mankato right-hander started the June 5 game against Michigan City and went six innings while allowing three runs on eight hits. He issued three walks and struck out two. Howell received no decision in a game the Oilmen lost 7-5. Hot starts to the season are nothing new for Northwest Indiana. The Oilmen started the 2013 campaign 6-2 in their first eight Midwest Collegiate League games. In the inaugural season, Northwest Indiana held an 8-2 record through 10 games.

<u>Inside the Hounds</u>

It's been a pair of familiar names that have done the most offensive damage for DuPage County this season. Returning players Trent Carrier and Richie Gorski are both off to strong starts. Carrier, a two-way player at Holy Names University, leads the team in batting average, home runs and RBIs. He's hitting .567, has driven in six and owns the team's only home run. Gorski, an infielder at Missouri Southern, is hitting .429 with a .500 on-base percentage and five RBIs. The Hounds will pitch UIC's Noah Masa on Tuesday. Masa had a 6.64 ERA for the Flames this spring. He is 2-0 with a 3.27 ERA in 11 innings of work for DuPage County this summer.

About the Matchup

The Oilmen have already matched their season win total from a year ago against DuPage County. Northwest Indiana went just 2-8 against the Hounds last season, but they're off to a 2-0 start this year including last Thursday's 5-3 triumph. The two teams meet yet again this Thursday in Lemont, but then they do not hook up until July 2 in Whiting. The Oilmen have a chance to draw even in the all-time series on Sunday as they are currently 13-14 against the Hounds.

Around the MCL

The Lexington Snipes entered the win column for the first time this season on Saturday, sweeping a doubleheader from the Michigan City Lakers 7-6 and 11-0. The Snipes made it a 40 weekend by taking two more from the Lakers on Sunday. Inclement weather in the Chicagoland area throughout the week wreaked havoc on the MCL. A total of nine league games this season have been postponed and have not yet been made up. The Southland Vikings have had four consecutive games washed out and have had seven consecutive days off.

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	7 p.m.
6/17	@ Lexington Snipes	7 p.m.
6/18	@ DuPage County Hounds	5 p.m.
6/19	@ South Bend Blue Sox	6 p.m.
6/20	@ Lexington Snipes	1 p.m.
6/21	@ Michigan City Lakers	1 p.m.
6/23	@ Joliet Admirals	5 p.m.
6/24	JOLIET ADMIRALS	7 p.m.
6/25	MICHIGAN CITY LAKERS	7 p.m.
6/26	LEXINGTON SNIPES	7 p.m.
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
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.
7/15	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
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	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

NWI Oilmen Fast Facts
Founded/First Season2012
LocationWhiting, Ind.
OwnerDon Popravak (2012-present)
Address500 119th Street (2nd Floor) Whiting, IN 46394
Phone219-659-1000
Websitenwioilmen.com
ColorsBlack and Gold
Home Field (Capacity)Oil City Stadium (1,300)
Stadium Address1700 119th Street, Whiting, IN 46394
Manager Adam Enright
All-Time Team Record96-52, 85-49 in MCL Games
Home Record 58-27
Road Record 38-25
Playoff Appearances2012, 2013, 2014
Playoff Record6-4
Playoff Home Record3-2
Playoff Road Record3-2
MCL Championship Appearances2012, 2013
Midwest Collegiate League Titles2012

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

SATURDAY:	SUNDAY:
Admirals at Vikings doubleheader, ppd (field)	Snipes 5, Lakers 2
Snipes 7, Lakers 6 Snipes 11, Lakers 0 (DH)	Snipes 12, Lakers 3
Oilmen 5, Jackers 1	
TUESDAY:	WEDNESDAY:
Snipes at Admirals, 5 p.m.	Oilmen at Snipes, 7 p.m.
Hounds at Oilmen, 7 p.m.	Vikings at Hounds, 5 p.m.
	Admirals at Lakers, 5 p.m.

Midwest Collegiate League Standings

TEAM	W	L	%	GB	STR
NWI Oilmen	6	2	.750		W1
DuPage County Hounds	6	2	.750		L1
Lexington Snipes	4	4	.500	2	W4
Southland Vikings	2	3	.400	2.5	L2
Joliet Admirals	2	4	.333	3	W1
Michigan City Lakers	2	7	.222	4.5	L5

X= Clinched Playoff Berth

Y= Clinched Home Field Advantage

E= Eliminated from Playoff Contention

2015 Northwest Indiana Oilmen Roster

PITCHERS

#	NAME	В/Т	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	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	Granville, Ill.

INFIELDERS

#	NAME	В/Т	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	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 DuPage County Hounds

PITCHERS

#	NAME	В/Т	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
3	Chris Graziloi	R/R	5-8	150	St. Mary's	Lockport, Ill.
6	Nick Masa	R/R	5-8	180	Illinois-Chicago	HOmer Glen, Ill.
11	DJ Eckert	R/R	6-3	200	St. Joseph's	Danville, Ind.
15	Nick McKinney	R/R	6-2	170	Joliet Junior College	Naperville, Ill.
16	Ryan Taylor	R/R	6-0	200	Heartland	Downers Grove, Ill.
23	Mike Kornacker	R/R	6-3	210	Purdue	Lemont, Ill.
28	Nick Costantino	R/R	6-2	175	Drury	Algonquin, Ill.
32	Ethan Gasbarro	R/R	6-0	165	Valparaiso	Glen Ellyn, Ill.
33	Jimmy Ward	R/R	6-3	175	Evansville	Hanover Park, Ill.
35	Nick Alfini	L/L	6-1	195	St. Ambrose	Downers Grove, Ill.
37	Tom Concklin	R/R	6-5	205	Washington and Lee University	Hinsdale, Ill.
45	Tyler Jandron	R/L	6-1	170	UW-Parkside	Negaunee, Mich.
50	Trent Carrier	R/R	6-3	190	Holy Names	Anaheim, Calif.

CATCHERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
1	Danny Riley	R/R	6-0	185	Illinois-Chicago	Naperville, Ill.
7	Billy Hayes				Lake County	Lemont, Ill.
24	Mike Roberson	R/R	6-0	205	Ball State	Bartlett, Ill.
25	Hunter Morris	L/R	5-10	195	Eastern Illinois	Paris, Ill.

INFIELDERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
2	Richie Gorski	R/R	6-2	200	Missouri Southern	Streamwood, Ill.
4	Ryan Fitzgerald	L/R	6-0	180	Creighton University	Bur Ridge, Ill.
10	Matt Wollnik	R/R	5-10	170	Webster University	Naperville, Ill.
18	Bobby Wenthe	L/L	6-1	220	Eastern Illinois	Teutopolis, Ill.
21	Dustin Krob	R/R	5-11	170	Campbell University	Justice, Ill.
42	Michael Wisz	R/R	6-3	225	Houston	Lemont, Ill.

OUTFIELDERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
8	Johnny Peltz	R/R	6-3	213	Wheaton	Wheaton, Ill.
12	Joe Duncan	R/R	6-2	185	Eastern Illinois	Highland, Ind.
14	Shane Carrier	R/R	6-1	215	Fullerton Junior College	Anaheim Hills, Calif.
19	Emerson Misch	R/L	6-0	195	Valparaiso	Bloomfield Hills, Mich.
22	Zac Taylor	R/R	6-1	185	Houston	Downers Grove, Ill.

Manager - Sean Osborne | Assistant Coaches - Ben Caple, Joe DeCeault, Rick Panek