

# Northwest Indiana Oilmen 2016 Game Notes

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THURSDAY'S GAME: Bloomington Bobcats (9-4) at NWI Oilmen (7-8)

June 16 - 7:20 p.m. (CT) - Whiting, Ind. Radio: WJOB AM 1230 (7 p.m. pregame) Online: NWIOilmen.com, wjob1230.com

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#### For Starters

The Oilmen have scored in the first inning in nine straight games. NWI has committed four or more errors in three consecutive games. The Oilmen have had seven errors charged to their starting shortstop over the last three games with three different players getting starts at short. The Oilmen made 64 errors all of last season, and they're already at 35 in 15 games (just 29 percent of the schedule has been played.) The Oilmen are statistically the second-worst defensive team in the MCL. Their .922 fielding percentage and 35 errors rank better than only Southland (.913 / 37). With a win on Thursday, the Oilmen can improve to .500 for the first time this season.

#### **Inside The Oilmen**

Tyler Sroczynski batted sixth in the Oilmen order on Wednesday, snapping a streak of 35 straight Oilmen starts in the leadoff spot. Before Wednesday, Sroczynski hit leadoff in 41 of his 42 games with the Oilmen, with the only exception coming on June 18, 2015 when he hit cleanup against DuPage County. Sroczynski extended his hitting streak to six with a sixth-inning single. Bo Fletcher returned from a wrist injury and played in just his fourth game of the summer and first since May 29 on Wednesday. Chase Fieldhouse returned after missing two games with hamstring tightness and extended his hitting streak to nine games. Fieldhouse reached base in all four plate appearances and has now reached safely in nine straight trips to the plate. Chase Dawson has played all seven games since reporting to the team. He extended his on-base streak to seven with a sixth-inning single on Wednesday. Thursday's starting pitcher Richard Yelnick has not allowed a walk in seven innings this year. He owns a 1.29 ERA and 1-0 record in three games, one start. His lone start came against the Admirals on June 5, when he allowed two runs (one earned) on eight hits, three strikeouts and no walks to pick up the win. He tossed scoreless frames of relief against DuPage County on Friday and Southland on Saturday.

#### **Inside the Bobcats**

The first-place Bobcats are coming off a 6-1 win over the Hounds on Wednesday. Nick Green went 3-for-4, while Pat Mollo and Grant Anderson had two hits apiece. Nick Brune takes the mound on Thursday for his fourth start of the season. He is 2-1 with a 4.80 ERA in 15 innings. He threw six shutout frames against DuPage on June 1, went 5 2/3 innings and allowed five runs (three earned) on nine hits against the Hounds on June 7 and allowed seven runs (five earned) on nine hits to the Lakers in 3 1/3 innings in his last outing on Saturday. He'll work Thursday's game on four days of rest. Bloomington pitchers have a collective 2.59 ERA.

#### About the Matchup

The Oilmen have already lost the season series to the Bobcats, dropping the first four meetings in Bloomington. The Oilmen are 0-6 against the league's top two teams (Bobcats and Hounds), but 7-2 against everyone else. In four meetings with the Bobcats, the Oilmen have been shutout twice and scored two runs and four runs in the other two meetings. Thursday's game is the only matchup between the two squads at Oil City Stadium this season.

#### 2016 Schedule

5/26	@ Bloomington Bobcats	ppd.
5/27	@ Bloomington Bobcats	L 3-0
5/28	@ DuPage County Hounds	L 9-3
5/29	@ Joliet Admirals (DH)	L 9-7
5/29	@Joliet Admirals (DH)	W 7-5
6/1	@ Michigan City Lakers	ppd.
6/2	@ Bloomington Bobcats (DH)	L 3-2
6/2	@ Bloomington Bobcats (DH)	L 3-0
6/3	@ Bloomington Bobcats	L 6-4
6/4	@ Southland Vikings	susp.
6/5	@ Joliet Admirals	W 13-3
6/7	MICHIGAN CITY LAKERS	W 8-6
6/8	MICHIGAN CITY LAKERS	W 9-5
6/9	SOUTHLAND VIKINGS	W 15-4
6/10	DUPAGE COUNTY HOUNDS	L 6-5
6/11	SOUTHLAND VIKINGS	L 10-9
6/12	JOLIET ADMIRALS	W 6-2
6/15	MICHIGAN CITY LAKERS	W 4-3
6/16	BLOOMINGTON BOBCATS	7:20 p.m.
6/17	DUPAGE COUNTY HOUNDS	7:20 p.m.
6/18	SOUTHLAND VIKINGS	7:20 p.m.
6/19	JOLIET ADMIRALS	4 p.m.
6/22	MICHIGAN CITY LAKERS	7:20 p.m.
6/23	SOUTHLAND VIKINGS	7:20 p.m.
6/24	DUPAGE COUNTY HOUNDS	7:20 p.m.
6/25	SOUTHLAND VIKINGS	7:20 p.m.
6/26	JOLIET ADMIRALS	4 p.m.
6/28	JOLIET ADMIRALS	1:20 p.m.
6/29	MICHIGAN CITY LAKERS	7:20 p.m.
6/30	MICHIGAN CITY LAKERS	7:20 p.m.
7/1	DUPAGE COUNTY HOUNDS	7:20 p.m.
7/1	SOUTHLAND VIKINGS	
7/2 7/4		7:20 p.m.
	U.S. MILITARY ALL-STARS*	3 p.m.
7/6	Michigan City Lakers (DH)	6:15 p.m.
7/7	Bloomington Bobcats	7:30 p.m.
7/8	DuPage County Hounds	5 p.m.
7/9	@ Southland Vikings	1 p.m.
7/12	MCL ALL-STAR GAME*	7:30 p.m.
7/13	MICHIGAN CITY LAKERS	7:20 p.m.
7/14	SOUTHLAND VIKINGS	7:20 p.m.
7/15	DUPAGE COUNTY HOUNDS	7:20 p.m.
7/16	SOUTHLAND VIKINGS	7:20 p.m.
7/17	JOLIET ADMIRALS	4 p.m.
7/20	MICHIGAN CITY LAKERS	7:20 p.m.
7/21	SOUTHLAND VIKINGS	7:20 p.m.
7/22	DUPAGE COUNTY HOUNDS	7:20 p.m.
7/23	SOUTHLAND VIKINGS	7:20 p.m.
7/24	JOLIET ADMIRALS	4 p.m.
7/26	@ Joliet Admirals	5 p.m.
7/27	MICHIGAN CITY LAKERS	7:20 p.m.
7/28	DUPAGE COUNTY HOUNDS	7:20 p.m.
7/29	@ Bloomington Bobcats	7:30 p.m.
7/30	@ Southland Vikings	1 p.m.
7/31	@ Joliet Admirals	1 p.m.
8/2-8/4	MCL Semifinal Series	TBD
8/5-/8/7	MCL Championship Series	TBD
	*- denotes exhibition game	

\*- denotes exhibition game CAPS- denotes home game

NWI Oilmen Fast Facts
Founded/First Season
OwnerDon Popravak (2012-present)
Address1500 119th Street (2nd Floor) Whiting, IN 46394 Phone
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 Record124-75, 108-72 in MCL Games
Home Record 81-36
Road Record44-39
Playoff Appearances2012, 2013, 2014, 2015
Playoff Record7-6
Playoff Home Record3-4
Playoff Road Record4-2
MCL Championship Appearances2012, 2013 Midwest Collegiate League Titles2012
Midwest Cotteglate 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, he'll be joined in the booth by Nathan Dickinson. David Bork, Payton Ball and Drew Guth will also make contributions to the Oilmen radio broadcasts. To listen on the internet, click the "Listen Live" tab at the top of the NWIOilmen.com homepage.





## Midwest Collegiate League Scoreboard

SUNDAY:	WEDNESDAY:
Vikings 5, Bobcats 0	Admirals 12, Vikings 8
Oilmen 6, Admirals 2	Bobcats 6, Hounds 1
	Oilmen 4, Lakers 3
THURSDAY:	FRIDAY:
Lakers at Admirals, 5 p.m.	Bobcats at Admirals, 7 p.m.
Vikings at Hounds, 5 p.m.	Hounds at Oilmen, 7:20
Bobcats at Oilmen, 7:20 p.m.	Vikings at Lakers 7:30

## Midwest Collegiate League Standings

TEAM	W	L	%	GB	STR
Bloomington Bobcats	9	4	.692		W1
DC Hounds	8	6	.571	1.5	L2
Southland Vikings	7	7	.500	2.5	L1
NWI Oilmen	7	8	.467	3	W2
Joliet Admirals	7	8	.467	3	W1
Lakers	3	8	.273	5	L2

X= Clinched Playoff Berth

Y= Clinched Home Field Advantage in First Round

E= Eliminated from Playoff Contention

## 2016 Northwest Indiana Oilmen Roster

## **PITCHERS**

#	NAME	В/Т	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
1	Reggie Johnson	R/R	6-2	175	Alcorn State	South Holland, Ill.
10	Richard Yelnick	L/L	6-2	190	Parkland / Trinity Christian	New Lenox, Ill.
11	Luke Jaksich	L/L	6-1	160	Saint Joseph's College	St. John, Ind.
13	Jay Gutierrez	R/R	6-1	200	Olney Central College	Oak Lawn, Ill.
16	Jamary McKinney	R/R	6-1	200	Chicago State	Chicago, Ill.
18	Sam Geraci	R/R	5-10	180	Parkland / Illinois Springfield	Steger, Ill.
25	Jordan Petty	R/R	6-2	175	Purdue Calumet	Highland, Ind.
26	Josh Mutter	L/L	6-3	150	Northern Illinois	Frankfort, Ill.
28	Max Siedlecki	R/R	6-4	210	New Mexico Highlands	Chicago, Ill.
29	Braden Niksich	R/R	6-3	190	Illinois State	Hobart, Ind.
31	Christian Howell	R/R	6-1	165	Minnesota State	Aurora, Ill.
33	Clay Keltner	R/R	6-1	205	Cornerstone	Highland, Ind.
36	Eric Frontzak	R/R	6-0	190	Alma College	Naperville, Ill.
42	Hunter Clark	L/L	6-1	190	Eastern Illinois	Granger, Ill.
43	James Whiteman	R/R	6-2	194	Triton College	Lakeville, Ind.

## **CATCHERS**

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
8	Blake Cleveland	R/R	5-11	197	Central Michigan	Nappanee, Ind.
19	Jake Perreira	R/R	5-9	200	University of Indianapolis	Grant Park, Ill.
27	Zack Forney	R/R	5-10	170	Eastern Illinois	Cary, Ill.

## **OUTFIELDERS**

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
3	Cory Krolikowski	L/R	5-8	190	Minnesota Duluth	Bartlett, Ill.
14	Chase Fieldhouse	R/R	5-10	190	St. Joseph's College	St. John, Ind.
21	Tyler Sroczynski	R/R	6-2	205	Trinity Christian	Dyer, Ind.
23	Jordan Flint	R/R	6-4	190	Eastern Illinois	Bartlett, Ill.
24	Chris Baker	L/R	6-0	185	University Illinois-Chicago	South Holland, Ill.

## **INFIELDERS**

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
2	Chase Dawson	L/R	5-10	170	Valparaiso	Chesterton, Ind.
7	Bo Fletcher	R/R	6-0	180	Alcorn State	Chicago, Ill.
9	Tommy Szczasny	L/R	5-10	185	Northern Illinois	Tinsley Park, Ill.
15	Brad Bohlen	R/R	5-10	190	Northern Kentucky	Chicago Heights, Ill.
17	Alex Nisle	R/R	6-0	185	Saint Joseph's College	Schererville, Ind.
20	Stefano Belmonte	R/R	6-2	205	Florida Gulf Coast	Munster, Ind.
22	Josh Fewell	L/R	6-2	210	Heartland CC	Kokomo, Ind.
45	Jimmy Govern	R/R	5-11	175	Eastern Illinois	Libertyville, Ill.

Manager - Adam Enright | Assistant Coaches - Aaron Furman, Steven Brewer

# 2016 Bloomington Bobcats

#### **PITCHERS**

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
1	Kody Silverthorn	R/R	5-9	145	Parkland	Eureka, Ill.
6	Kevin Malisheski	R/R	6-3	190	Illinois State	Wauconda, Ill.
24	Mitch Weis	R/R	6-4	210	Illinois State	Ballwin, Mo.
26	Sean Coonan	R/R	5-8	200	Illinois Wesleyan	Bloomington, Ill.
28	Blade Matthews	R/R	5-11	190	Lincoln Land	Olympia, Ill.
29	Nick Brune	R/R	6-1	195	Illinois Wesleyan	Mundelein, Ill.
30	Tim Smyk	R/R	6-2	220	Illinois Wesleyan	Morris, Ill.
32	Bubba Henry	R/R	6-6	250	Illinois Wesleyan	Morris, Ill.
	Nick Huskisson	R/L	5-11	170	Illinois Wesleyan	St. Charles, Ill.
	Nick Alvorado	R/R	6-7	230	Illinois State	Grain Valley, Mo.
	Travis Auer	R/R	5-11	180	Heartland	Normal, Ill.

## **CATCHERS**

#	NAME	В/Т	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
21	Pat Mollo	R/R	6-1	235	Illinois Wesleyan	Naperville, Ill.
27	Kurtis Minton	R/R	6-0	160	Olivet Nazarene	Decatur, Ill.

## **INFIELDERS**

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
2	Nick Mosele	R/R	5-8	160	Augustana	Bloomington, Ill.
4	Nick Brunson	R/R	5-11	175	Kaskaskia	Champaign, Ill.
10	Jonathan Broadbear	R/R	6-2	185	Illinois Wesleyan	Bloomington, Ill.
17	Gino Cavalieri	R/R	6-0	170	Illinois Wesleyan	Western Springs, Ill.
27	Ryan Bouwman	L/R	6-0	195	Central	Bloomington, Ill.
	Troy Cantu	R/R	5-7	155	University of Illinois Springfield	Huntley, Ill.

## **OUTFIELDERS**

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
1	Addision Fuigitt					
8	Cody Rogers	R/R	5-11	185	Illinois Wesleyan	Bloomington, Ill.
15	Garrett Shea	R/L	6-1	185	Illinois Wesleyan	Decatur, Ill.
19	Ryan Scott	R/R	6-1	185	North Central	Normal, Ill.
31	Grant Anderson	R/R	6-2	105	McKendree	Mackinaw, Ill.
	Luke McCaw	R/R	5-10	180	North Central	Normal, Ill.

Manager - Joe Kelch | Assistant Coach - Clint Stroud

## 2016 Northwest Indiana Oilmen Stats

HITTING STATS									
NAME	AVG	AB	HITS	HR	RBI	R	SLG	ОВР	2B
Tommy Szczasny	.467	15	7	0	3	3	.533	.550	1
Stefano Belmonte	.419	31	13	1	8	5	.516	.486	0
Chase Dawson	.414	29	12	0	3	9	.483	.541	2
Chase Fieldhouse	.400	30	12	0	4	9	.433	.541	1
Cory Krolikowski	.371	35	13	0	7	5	.457	.450	1
Chris Baker	.333	27	9	1	7	7	.481	.471	1
Tyler Sroczynski	.313	32	10	2	6	11	.594	.361	1
Zack Forney	.304	23	7	0	3	9	.391	.568	0
Jordan Flint	.303	33	10	0	9	8	.364	.351	1
Jimmy Govern	.292	24	7	0	8	4	.389	.478	2
Bo Fletcher	.267	15	4	0	0	2	.267	.267	0
Brad Bohlen	.250	36	9	0	6	1	.278	.325	1
Jake Perreira	.231	39	9	0	5	5	.333	.326	4
Josh Fewell	.214	40	9	0	3	5	.262	.353	2
Blake Cleveland	.200	20	4	0	2	1	.200	.304	0
Josh Mutter	.200	10	2	0	0	1	.200	.333	0
Alex Nisle	.171	35	6	0	2	7	.171	.326	0
Reggie Johnson	.000	3	0	0	0	0	.000	.000	0
TEAM STATS	.299	479	143	4	76	92	.374	.413	18

PITCHING STATS	,								
NAME	W	L	S	IP	ERA	ВВ	K	WHIP	BAA
Hunter Clark	0	0	1	7.0	0.00	8	5	1.57	.120
Sam Geraci	1	0	0	8.0	1.13	1	5	0.88	.194
Richard Yelnick	1	0	0	7.0	1.29	0	6	1.29	.311
James Whiteman	0	1	1	6.0	1.50	4	9	1.50	.200
Jay Gutierrez	0	0	0	5.0	1.80	5	4	1.80	.211
Max Siedecki	0	1	0	16.0	2.25	7	11	1.50	.262
Clay Keltner	1	1	0	14.2	2.46	6	13	1.36	.250
Christian Howell	2	0	0	18.1	2,95	10	14	1.03	.136
Braden Niksich	0	0	0	3.0	3.00	3	3	1.67	.200
Jamary McKinney	0	0	0	4.2	3.86	8	4	2.57	.222
Jordan Petty	0	0	0	2.0	4.50	0	1	1.00	.296
Reggie Johnson	0	3	0	14.0	4.50	9	15	1.86	.278
Eric Frontzak	1	1	0	5.2	4.77	5	8	2.65	.333
Luke Jaksich	0	0	0	7.0	5.14	6	10	2.00	.250
Josh Mutter	0	1	0	1.2	27.00	2	1	3.00	.375
TEAM STATS	7	8	2	120.0	3.24	74	109	1.61	.235

## **2016 BLOOMINGTON BOBCATS STATS**

HITTING STATS									
NAME	AVG	AB	HITS	HR	RBI	R	SLG	ОВР	2B
Addison Fugitt	.800	5	4	0	0	2	1.000	.833	1
Geno Cavalleiri	.375	8	3	0	3	2	.625	.444	0
Jack Butler	.333	3	1	0	1	1	.333	.333	0
Nick Green	.320	25	8	0	3	4	.400	.414	0
Cody Rogers	.313	32	10	0	1	4	.313	.371	0
Ryan Scott	.273	29	9	0	4	5	.278	.325	1
Garrett Shea	.270	37	10	0	7	9	.324	.372	2
Nick Brunson	.250	40	10	0	6	10	.350	.423	4
Tim Smyk	.244	41	10	0	3	4	.244	.262	0
Grant Anderson	.243	37	9	0	3	5	.324	.364	3
Jonathan Broadbear	.242	33	8	0	6	5	.242	.375	0
Nick Mosele	.226	31	7	0	2	2	.226	.294	0
Pat Mollo	.214	42	8	0	7	3	.286	.267	1
Kurtis Minton	.150	20	3	0	1	2	.150	.346	0
Kody Silverthorn	.000	1	0	0	0	0	.000	.000	0
Luke McCaw	.000	5	0	0	0	0	.000	.167	0
Tim Schmidt	.000	3	0	0	0	1	.000	.333	0
TEAM STATS	.253	400	101	0	48	58	.297	.349	12

PITCHING STATS									
NAME	W	L	S	IP	ERA	ВВ	K	WHIP	ВАА
Kody Silverthorn	0	0	2	4.0	0.00	1	5	1.00	.200
Kevin Mallsheski	1	0	0	4.0	0.00	1	3	0.25	.000
McClain Conklin	1	0	0	1.1	0.00	2	2	2.25	.250
Zach Frey	1	0	0	3.0	0.00	0	6	0.00	.000
Mitch Weis	2	0	0	23.0	0.39	3	22	0.56	.125
Tim Smyk	2	0	0	6.0	1.50	2	7	1.00	.182
Blade Matthews	0	1	0	17.1	1.59	4	3	0.81	.152
Matt Banaitis	0	0	0	4.0	2.25	2	2	1.50	.267
Garrett Shea	0	0	0	2.0	4.50	0	0	1.00	.250
Nick Brune	2	1	0	15.0	4.80	4	10	1.73	.349
Bubba Henry	0	0	2	11.0	4.91	2	4	1.46	.298
Jackson Bronke	0	1	0	3.1	5.40	2	5	1.20	.182
Sean Coonan	0	1	0	10.1	6.10	3	7	1.94	.386
TEAM STATS	9	4	4	104.1	2.59	26	76	1.10	.225