

# Northwest Indiana Oilmen 2015 Game Notes

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**WEDNESDAY'S GAME:** 

Joliet Admirals (5-5) at NWI Oilmen (8-5)

**GAME** 

June 24 - 7:10 p.m. (CT) - Whiting, Ind. Radio: AM 1230 WJOB



#### For Starters

The 12 runs in Sunday's game were the most scored by the Oilmen since June 29, 2014, a 12-4 win over the Admirals. Sunday's 13-12 defeat to Michigan City marked the third time in team history the Oilmen scored 12 runs or more and lost. The Oilmen fell by the identical score of 13-12 on June 30, 2013 against DuPage County. The most runs the Oilmen have scored in a loss came against Will County on June 27, 2012, a 14-13 defeat. The Cracker Jacks blew a seven-run lead in that game, and trailed 13-10 going to the ninth inning. They then scored four times in the top of the ninth to edge the Oilmen 14-13. The Oilmen had 19 hits on Sunday, four shy of a franchise-record 23 racked up in a playoff game against Lexington in 2013.

### Inside The Oilmen

Christian Howell toes the rubber for Wednesday's game against Joliet. The Minnesota State Mankato right-hander, who will make his third start of the year, holds a 5.25 ERA and has issued five walks while striking out 10. Howell yielded four runs on four hits in six innings in his most recent game, an eventual 6-5 win over DuPage County on June 16. Zack Jones leads the team in runs scored with eight. Sam Geraci has worked a team-high 10 walks this year. Jordan Lewis is one home run away from breaking the team's franchise singleseason and career record. He is currently tied with Bill Miller, who established the record of three long balls in 2012. Brian Seymour had four hits in Sunday's game, becoming the first Oilmen player with a four-hit game since Andrew Ray on July 18, 2014, a 16-inning game against Lexington. The Oilmen have played in mostly close game this season, with 11 of their 13 contests decided by three runs or fewer. Three of their four losses came by one run, with the other defeat featuring a two-run deficit.

### Inside the Admirals

Steven Skolarz - a pitcher who has not yet made a collegiate commitment after completing his senior year of high school - gets the ball for manager Tom Barry on Wednesday night. Skolarz, a 6-foot-6 right-hander, went to Lincoln Way West, also the alma mater of Oilmen reliever Richard Yelnick. Joliet is 5-5 through its first 10 games and is currently in fourth place in the Midwest Collegiate League.

### About the Matchup

The Admirals spoiled NWI's home opener on June 10, pulling out a 7-6 win in 10 innings after the Oilmen rallied from three runs down in the bottom of the ninth to tie the game. They stranded the potential tying run at third and winning run at second in the bottom of the 10th of a wild affair. The Oilmen lead the all-time series 18-4.

## Around the MCL

The Oilmen missed out on a chance to move into a tie for first on Sunday. The Hounds also lost, 8-2 to Lexington, so DuPage County's edge on the Oilmen remains one game.

#### 2015 Schedule

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p.m.

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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	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.
7/14	@ Joliet Admirals	5 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.
Owner
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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 Record98-54, 87-51 in MCL Games
Home Record 59-27
Road Record
Playoff Appearances2012, 2013, 2014
Playoff Record6-4
Playoff Home Record3-2
Playoff Road Record3-2

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# Midwest Collegiate League Scoreboard

SATURDAY:	SUNDAY:		
Oilmen 6, Snipes 1   Snipes 5, Oilmen 4	Snipes 8, Hounds 2		
Vikings 13, Lakers 10	Oilmen 13, Lakers 12		
Admirals 9, Hounds 1   Hounds 5, Admirals 4			
WEDNESDAY:	THURSDAY:		
Vikings at Lakers, 5 p.m.	Vikings at Hounds, 5 p.m.		
Admirals at Oilmen, 7 p.m.	Snipes at Admirals, 5 p.m.		
Hounds at Snipes, 7 p.m.	Lakers at Oilmen, 7 p.m.		

# Midwest Collegiate League Standings

TEAM	W	L	%	GB	STR
DuPage County Hounds	10	5	.667		L1
NWI Oilmen	8	5	.615	1	L2
Lexington Snipes	7	6	.538	2	W2
Joliet Admirals	5	5	.500	2.5	L1
Southland Vikings	3	5	.375	3.5	W1
Michigan City Lakers	3	10	.231	6	W1

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 / 25	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 / Central Oklahoma	Granville, Ill.
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.
36	Brad Wood	R/R	5-8	165	Northern Illinois	Orland Park, Ill.

# 2015 Joliet Admirals Roster

## **PITCHERS**

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
14	Tyler Paulsen	R/R	6-5	210	Illinois State (commit)	Channahon, Ill.
16	Dave Schurr	R/L	6-4	180	St. Joseph's College	Plainfield, Ill.
18	Nate Tholl	R/R	5-10	170	John A. Logan College	Tinley Park, Ill.
19	Mike Miller	R/R	6-1	165	SIU Edwardsville	Tinley Park, Ill.
20	Yianni Pavlopoulos	R/R	6-1	205	Ohio State	Homer Glen, Ill.
21	Ryan Van Volkenberg	R/L	5-11	180	Maryville	Lisle, Ill.
22	Julian Langford	R/R	6-2	220	Maryville	Naperville, Ill.
23	Nick Allgeyer	L/L	6-3	200	University of Iowa	St. Louis, Mo.
24	Steven Skolarz	R/R	6-6	210	Uncommitted	New Lenox, Ill.
25	Steve Waldrop	R/R	6-1	200	College of DuPage	Bolingbrook, Ill.
27	Brendan Miller	R/R	6-3	185	SIU Edwardsville	Plainfield, Ill.
28	Sean Renzi	R/R	6-3	245	Central Michigan	Plainfield, Ill.
30	Zach Thomas	L/L	5-11	160	Chicago State	Joliet, Ill.

## **CATCHERS**

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
2	Alex Wolanski	R/R	5-11	190	Eastern Michigan	Naperville, Ill.
3	JT Sole	R/R	5-8	175	University of Iowa	Cedar Falls, Iowa

## **INFIELDERS**

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
1	Micah Coffey	L/R	6-1	190	Minnesota	Batavia, Ill.
4	Anthony Bragg	R/R	6-3	230	Elgin CC	Geneva, Ill.
6	Jack Martin	R/R	6-5	210	Eastern Illinois	Carmel, Ind.
7	Danny Kelly	R/R	5-10	165	Illinois Wesleyan	Chicago, Ill.
15	Matt Sullivan	R/R	5-10	170	Chicago State	Lake in the Hills, Ill.
26	Josh Bergbreiter	R/R	5-9	160	Kankakee CC	Elk Grove Village, Ill.
31	Ryan Hutchinson	R/R	6-3	200	Illinois State	Edwards, Ill.

# **OUTFIELDERS**

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
8	Brad Groleau	L/L	6-0	190	McKendree	Peru, Ill.
9	John Thomas	R/R		190	Indianapolis	Dixon, Ill.
10	Justin Kovalsky	R/R		190	Benedictine	Bolingbrook, Ill.
11	Mark Brown	L/L	6-3	210	Akron	Indianapolis, Ind.
12	Troy Payton	R/R	5-9	170	Maryville	Orland Park, Ill.

Manager - Tom Barry | Assistant Coach - Nick Filetti