

Northwest Indiana Oilmen 2016 Game Notes

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THURSDAY'S GAME: Michigan City Lakers (8-14) at NWI Oilmen (14-12)

June 30 - 7:20 p.m. (CT) - Whiting, Ind. Radio: AM 1230 WJOB, 104.7 FM Online: NWIOilmen.com, wjob1230.com





For Starters

The most compelling storyline of Wednesday's game was the return of former Oilmen Alec Olund, who made his Lakers debut against his former club. Olund went 1-for-5 in his first game back in the area after starting the summer in the Northwoods League. The Lake Central graduate and current Purdue Boilermaker joined forces with his brother Anthony on the Lakers roster. He joins a select group of Oilmen players to go on to later play against the Oilmen that also includes John Livingston, Tyler Hanson and Josh Stowe. Livingston and Stowe won league titles with the Oilmen in 2012 before doing the same with the Southland Vikings in 2013. Stowe pitched for the Hounds in 2013 after starting his MCL career out of the Oilmen bullpen in 2012. Two of the three games the Oilmen have played on June 30 in team history have gone to extra innings. They fell 13-12 to DuPage County in 15 innings in 2013, a year to the day after falling 6-5 in 12 innings to the Illinois Lincolns.

Inside The Oilmen

Richard Yelnick gets his fourth start and sixth appearance of the season on Thursday as he attempts to sustain a successful start. The incoming Trinity Christian junior holds a 2-0 record and 1.50 ERA in 18 innings of work. He has 19 strikeouts against just five bases on ball. Four of those walks came in his last outing - June 24 against DuPage County - but Yelnick kept his team in the game by allowing three runs (two earned) on three hits in five innings. The lefty received no decision as the Oilmen went on to win 7-6 in 11 innings. This marks the first time Yelnick has faced the Lakers this season. Chase Dawson remained an on-base machine by reaching four times in Thursday's 9-3 win over the Lakers. He's reached in all 16 games he's played with the Oilmen. The first six Oilmen runs of the game were scored by runners who had reached base via either a walk or hit by pitch. Alex Nisle had two hits to boost his average to a season-high .268. Nisle is hitting .458 over his last eight games after hitting .125 in his first 10. The Oilmen are now tied for second at 14-12, just one game away from first-place DuPage County. They are 5-1 in their last six, their best stretch of the season. The Oilmen remain the league leaders in team batting average at .297. The Oilmen pitching staff has been even more impressive, leading the league in ERA at 3.30. The Hounds are second in ERA at 4.15. The best team ERA in Oilmen history came a year ago, when the Oilmen posted a 2.53 ERA.

Inside the Lakers

Starting pitcher Dan Snyder has worked 30 innings over five games (four starts) so far this season. His record stands at 2-2 with a 3.90 ERA. He has issued the most walks on the Lakers staff with 22, but ranks second on the team in strikeouts (25) and innings pitched (30). Colin Willis is the Lakers' leading hitter at .418, but the Oilmen have kept him in check over the last two games. Willis is 1-for-9 against the Oilmen this week. The Lakers return home to host the Southland Vikings at Riverside Park on Friday.

About the Matchup

The Oilmen lead the season series 4-1 and the all-time series 14-10. This marks the third meeting this week, with the two teams splitting the first two.

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		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	W 17-1
6/17	DUPAGE COUNTY HOUNDS	W 13-2
6/18	SOUTHLAND VIKINGS	L 9-5
6/19	JOLIET ADMIRALS	L 14-6
6/22	MICHIGAN CITY LAKERS	ppd
6/23	SOUTHLAND VIKINGS	L 8-5
6/24	DUPAGE COUNTY HOUNDS	W 7-6
6/25	SOUTHLAND VIKINGS	W 10-0
6/26	JOLIET ADMIRALS	W 9-3
6/27	MICHIGAN CITY LAKERS	L 7-4
6/28	JOLIET ADMIRALS MICHIGAN CITY LAKERS	W 13-4 W 9-3
6/29 6/30		7:20 p.m.
6/30 7/1	MICHIGAN CITY LAKERS DUPAGE COUNTY HOUNDS	
7/2	SOUTHLAND VIKINGS	7:20 p.m. 7:20 p.m.
7/4	U.S. MILITARY ALL-STARS*	
7/4 7/6	 Michigan City Lakers (DH) 	3 p.m. 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	Ø Joliet Admirals Ø	1 p.m.
8/2-8/4	MCL Semifinal Series	TBD
8/5-/8/7	MCL Championship Series	TBD

*- denotes exhibition game CAPS- denotes home game

NWI Oilmen Fast Facts

Founded/First Season Location Owner Address1500 119th Street Phone.	Whiting, Ind. Don Popravak (2012-present) (2nd Floor) Whiting, IN 46394
Website	
Colors	Black and Gold
Home Field (Capacity)	Oil City Stadium (1,300)
Stadium Address1700 11	
Manager	Adam Enright
All-Time Team Record131	-79, 115-76 in MCL Games
Home Record	
Road Record	
Playoff Appearances	2012, 2013, 2014, 2015
Playoff Record	
Playoff Home Record	
Playoff Road Record	
MCL Championship Appearance Midwest Collegiate League Tit	es2012, 2013
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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

TUESDAY:	WEDNESDAY:
Oilmen 13, Admirals 4	Vikings 4, Admirals 1 Vikings 5, Admirals 4
	Hounds 12, Bobcats 4
	Oilmen 9, Lakers 3
THURSDAY:	FRIDAY:
Vikings at Hounds, 5 p.m.	Hounds at Oilmen, 7:20 p.m.
Lakers at Oilmen, 7:20 p.m.	Vikings at Lakers, 7:30 p.m.

Midwest Collegiate League Standings

TEAM	W	L	%	GB	STR
DC Hounds	14	10	.583		W2
Joliet Admirals	15	13	.536	1	L5
NWI Oilmen	14	12	.538	1	W2
Southland Vikings	12	11	.522	1.5	W2
Bloomington Bobcats	10	13	.435	3.5	L7
Lakers	8	14	.364	5	L1

X= Clinched Playoff Berth

Y= Clinched Home Field Advantage in First Round

E= Eliminated from Playoff Contention

2016 Northwest Indiana Oilmen Roster

PITCHERS

#	NAME	B/T	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.
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.
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.
30	Marshawn Taylor	L/R	5-10	150	Grambling State	Chicago, Ill.
45	Jimmy Govern	R/R	5-11	175	Eastern Illinois	Libertyville, Ill.

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

2016 Lakers

#	NAME	Position	B/T	SCHOOL
1	RJ Zambrano	3B/SS	R/R	Purdue North Central
2	Colin Willis	CF	L/R	Purdue North Central
3	Max Kerr	C/1B	R/R	Ball State
4	Chase Clarkson	2B/SS	R/R	Wabash College
5	Jerry Hodges	1B/2B	R/R	KCC/William Woods U
6	Adam Nelson	INF	R/R	North Central College
7	Anthony Olund	SS	R/R	Purdue North Central
8	Pat Arndt	C	R/R	Chesterton HS
9	Justin Stowe	Р	R/R	South Suburban
10	Casey Young	Р	R/R	PNC
11	Jake Povlock	1B/P	L/L	MCHS
12	Spencer Sutton	C/2B	R/R	Trine
13	Kyle McLaughlin	C	R/R	Butler
14	Chad Mateja	P/OF	R/R	Purdue
15	Dan Snyder	Р	R/R	PNC
16	Colin Armold	Р	L/L	Purdue
17	Bobby Humphreys	Р	R/R	Indiana
18	Tommy Fusell	OF	R/R	Northwestern
19	Jake Lefebvre	P	R/R	Wheeler High School
21	Shane Prance	P	R/R	PNC
23	Tyler Bearden	OF	R/R	Bowling Green
25	Max Kerr	C/1B	R/R	Ball State
26	Alec Olund	OF	R/R	Purdue
27	Zach Thorn	OF	R/R	Trine
30	Mark Dye	OF	R/R	Earlam College
32	Jim Catanzarite	Р	R/R	St. Joseph College
33	Jerome Burton	Р	R/R	Tongaloo College

Manager - Tim Jahnz | Assistant Coaches - Mike Einstein | Carl Swenson

2016 Northwest Indiana Oilmen Stats

HITTING STATS

NAME	AVG	A	B	HITS	HR	RBI	R	SLG	OBP	2B	
Tommy Szczasny	.393		56	22	1	19	13	.589	.448	4	
Marshawn Taylor	.381		21	8	0	7	5	.476	.458	2	
Chase Dawson	.379		66	25	0	8	19	.500	.487	6	
Tyler Sroczynski	.359		64	23	2	11	26	.563	.455	5	
Chase Fieldhouse	.353		51	18	0	9	15	.392	.534	2	
Stefano Belmonte	.344		64	23	1	18	10	.422	.400	2	
Cory Krolikowski	.333	4	48	16	0	7	9	.396	.420	1	
Zack Forney	.333		54	18	0	11	19	.407	.486	2	
Jimmy Govern	.292		24	7	0	8	4	.389	.478	2	
Jordan Flint	.292		65	19	0	11	17	.338	.382	3	
Chris Baker	.276		58	16	1	12	12	.362	.411	2	
Zack Jones	.273		11	3	0	6	3	.364	.385	1	
Alex Nisle	.268		56	15	0	11	13	.321	.432	3	
Brad Bohlen	.250	;	36	9	0	6	1	.278	.325	1	
Jake Perreira	.224		58	13	0	8	8	.310	.352	5	
Blake Cleveland	.200		25	5	0	2	1	.200	.355	0	
Bo Fletcher	.200	;	35	7	0	4	7	.229	.222	1	
Josh Mutter	.200		20	4	0	2	2	.250	.304	1	
Josh Fewell	.179		56	10	0	6	6	.179	.313	2	
Reggie Johnson	.000		3	0	0	0	0	.000	.000	0	
TEAM STATS	.297	8	374	260	5	166	190	.380	.408	45	
PITCHING STATS											
NAME	W	L	S	S IP		ERA	BB	K	WHIP	В/	AA
Hunter Clark	1	0	1	13.	2	0.00	11	7	1.39	.10	63
James Whiteman	0	1	1	10.	2	0.84	6	15	1.69	.20	61
Clay Keltner	3	1	0	26.	2	1.35	9	16	1.24	.24	40
Richard Yelnick	2	0	0	18.	0	1.50	5	19	1.11	.2	17
Braden Niksich	0	0	1	13.	1	1.80	7	10	1.30	.1	76
Sam Geraci	2	0	0	14.	1	1.88	4	9	1.19	.2	24
Max Siedecki	1	1	0	27.	0	2.00	13	18	1.50	.2	36
Luke Jaksich	2	0	0	20.	1	4.43	18	20	1.92	.24	47
Christian Howell	2	1	0	22.	1	4.43	16	18	1.39	.1	79
Jay Gutierrez	0	0	0	6.0)	4.50	5	4	2.00	.28	80
Jordan Petty	0	0	1	6.0)	4.50	2	4	1.67	.3	80
Eric Frontzak	1	2	0	13	.1	5.40	7	9	2.03	.3	13
Reggie Johnson	0	4	0	18	.1	5.79	10	17	2.07	.34	46
Jamary McKinney	0	0	0	7.	1	6.13	13	6	2.73	.2	50
Josh Mutter	0	1	0	2.0)	31.50	6	1	4.50	.3	00
TEAM STATS	14	11	4	221	.0	3.30	138	176	1.61	.24	17

MICHIGAN CITY LAKERS STATS

HITTING STATS

NAME	AVG	AB	HITS	HR	RBI	R	SLG	OBP	2B	
Kyle Mclaughlin	.500	2	1	0	0	0	.500	.500	0	1
Colin Willis	.418	67	28	3	18	17	.746	.540	9	
Jesse Mills	.400	5	2	1	3	3	1.000	.500	0	1
Chad Majeta	.381	21	8	0	5	5	.520	.440	3	1
Jerry Hodges	.308	39	12	1	8	9	.436	.449	2	
Tommy Fuesell	.286	35	10	0	2	5	.286	.375	0	
Jake Lane	.278	54	15	0	11	9	.352	.391	2	
Mark Dye	.245	49	12	1	8	10	.408	.339	2	
Max Kerr	.214	56	10	1	12	12	.286	.370	1	
Zach Thorn	.205	39	8	0	3	11	.231	.446	1	
Alec Olund	.200	5	1	0	0	0	.200	.200	0	
RJ Zambrano	.195	41	8	0	4	4	.195	.327	0	
Spencer Sutton	.175	40	7	0	8	3	.175	.327	0	
Anthony Olund	.167	48	8	0	4	11	.208	.322	2	
Chase Clarkson	.143	28	4	0	1	3	.143	.351	0	
Jake Povlock	.143	7	1	0	0	0	.143	.143	0	
Pat Arndt	.125	25	3	0	2	3	.125	.192	0	
Tyler Bearden	.074	27	2	1	3	4	.185	.265	0	
Dan Snyder	.000	1	0	0	0	0	.000	.000	0	
Griffin Murphy	.000	0	0	0	0	1	.000	1.000	0	
Jake Lafebvre	.000	6	0	0	1	1	.000	.200	0	
Jeremy Morton	.000	3	0	0	0	0	.000	.250	0	
Jim Catanazarite	.000	1	0	0	0	1	.000	.500	0	
TEAM STATS	.236	602	142	8	94	115	.327	.379	23	
PITCHING STATS										
NAME	W	L	S	IP	ERA	BB	K	WHI	P	BAA
Jeremy Morton	0	0	0	1.1	0.00	1	3	1.50)	.200
Jake Lefebvre	0	0	0	1.1	0.00	0	1	0.00)	.000
Jesse Mills	0	0	0	0.1	0.00	2	1	6.00)	.000
Tommy Fuesell	0	0	0	0.2	0.00	4	0	7.50)	.250
Casey Young	2	0	0	13.0	1.39	8	9	1.23	;	.167
Bobby Humphries	0	1	1	9.0	3.33	3	7	1.75	;	.276
Dan Snyder	2	2	0	30.0	4.00	22	25	1.63	;	.239
Shane Prance	0	1	0	6.0	4.50	1	5	1.33	;	.280
Jermone Burton	0	1	0	9.2	4.67	10	4	1.48	3	.143
Jake Povlock	1	0	0	11.1	4.77	3	4	1.94		.345
Chad Mateja	2	3	0	34.2	5.19	18	36	1.62	2	.280
Justin Stowe	0	2	0	20.0	6.30	10	11	1.50		.247
Spencer Sutton	0	0	1	5.1	8.44	7	2	2.25	5	.250
Jim Catanzarite	0	1	0	8.2	9.35	5	6	2.42	2	.390
Collin Arnold	0	1	0	2.0	13.50	0	1	2.50		.455
Colin Willis	1	0	0	1.0	18.00	0	1	1.00)	.200
TEAM STATS	7	12	1	146.1	5.02	94	117	1.68		.262