

Northwest Indiana Oilmen 2015 Game Notes

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THURSDAY'S GAME:

Northwest Indiana Oilmen (2-0) at Joliet Admirals (1-2)

June 4 - 5 p.m. (CT) - Joliet, Ill.

Radio: None

Internet: nwioilmen.com (UStream)

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<u>For Starters</u>

The Oilmen are off to a 2-0 for the second consecutive year. Should Northwest Indiana prevail on Thursday, the team's record would move to 3-0 for the first time in franchise history. Midwest Collegiate League all-time saves leader Matt Pobereyko didn't pick up his second save until Game No. 5 last season. Oilmen closer Enrique Zamora has two saves through two games this year. Jordan Lewis rocketed a home run in the first inning on Wednesday in his first Oilman at-bat for the first NWI long ball of the year. Last season, the team's first home run did not come until Game No. 8 at Michigan City. The first Oilmen home run in a league game last year did not take place until July 11 against Lexington.

<u>Inside The Oilmen</u>

The Oilmen turn to Evansville right-handed pitcher Brian Jestice to start Thursday's game. Jestice appeared in 16 games for the Purple Aces this season, compiling a 2.96 ERA in 24 1/3 innings. Jestice will attempt to aid a spent Oilmen bullpen that has worked 14 innings through the first two games of the season. Northwest Indiana starters made early, injury-related exits in both of the first two games. Richard Yelnick is the only pitcher who has worked in both games, but he's tossed just 32 pitches over three innings. Matt Dvorscak (55 pitches) and Sam Bell (47 pitches) are likely unavailable after working three innings each on Wednesday. Second baseman Brad Wood is day-to-day after leaving Wednesday's game with an ankle injury. He is not expected to play on Thursday.

Inside the Admirals

Joliet will throw left-hander David Schurr, who did not see game action as a freshman this year at St. Joseph's College. The Admirals are already participating in their fourth game of the season. They followed Monday's loss to the Oilmen with a 7-4 triumph over Lexington on Tuesday, but fell 10-2 to DuPage County on Wednesday. Micah Coffey is off to a torrid start offensively with a .538 batting average (7-for-13). The Admirals are hitting .179 as a team with runners in scoring position.

<u>About the Matchup</u>

The Oilmen captured the first meeting of the year between the two teams 5-2 on Monday. They hold a commanding 17-3 lead in the all-time series with the Rockford/Joliet franchise. The Oilmen won six of the eight meetings against Joliet last season, the team's first year since rebranding as the Admirals. After Thursday, the next meeting between the two teams will be on June 10, the home opener at Oil City Stadium.

Around the MCL

The DuPage County Hounds are batting .382 as a team and hold a team earned run average of 1.00 through two games. They have recorded a pair of lopsided victories, 7-2 over Michigan City and 10-2 over Joliet. The Hounds visit the Lexington Snipes on Thursday, while the Southland Vikings trek to Michigan City.

6.14		WED
6/1	@ Joliet Admirals	W 5-2
6/3	@ Southland Vikings	W 5-3
6/4	@ Joliet Admirals	5 p.m.
6/5	@ Michigan City Lakers	5 p.m.
6/6	@ DuPage County Hounds	1 p.m.
6/7	@ Lexington Snipes	1 p.m.
6/10	JOLIET ADMIRALS	7 p.m.
6/11	DUPAGE COUNTY HOUNDS	7 p.m.
6/12	LEXINGTON SNIPES	7 p.m.
6/13	FORT WAYNE JACKERS*	7 p.m.
6/14	DUPAGE COUNTY HOUNDS	4 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.m.
7/9	@ Southland Vikings	5 p.m.
7/10	@ Michigan City Lakers	5 p.m.
7/12	@ Lexington Snipes	1 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.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	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 8/7	MCL Championship Game 1	TBD
8/7	MCL Championship Game 2	TBD

MCL Championship Game 3 TBD

*- denotes exhibition game

CAPS- denotes home game

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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 Record90-51, 81-48 in MCL Games
Home Record 55-27
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Road Record
Playoff Appearances2012, 2013, 2014
Playoff Appearances
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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. year, Tommy Mantice joins Brandon to provide color commentary. To listen on the internet, click the "Listen Live" tab at the top of the NWIOilmen.com homepage.





Midwest Collegiate League Scoreboard

TUESDAY:	WEDNESDAY:
Admirals 7, Snipes 4	Oilmen 5, Vikings 3
	Hounds 10, Admirals 2
THURSDAY:	FRIDAY:
Oilmen at Admirals, 5 p.m.	Oilmen at Lakers, 5 p.m.
Hounds at Snipes, 5 p.m.	Vikings at Admirals, 5 p.m.
Vikings at Lakers, 5 p.m	Snipes at Hounds, 5 p.m.

Midwest Collegiate League Standings

TEAM	W	L	%	GB	STR	L10
NWI Oilmen	2	0	1.000		W2	2-0
DuPage County Hounds	2	0	1.000		W2	2-0
Joliet Admirals	1	2	.333	1.5	L1	1-2
Southland Vikings	0	1	.000	1.5	L1	0-1
Lexington Snipes	0	1	.000	1.5	L1	0-1
Michigan City Lakers	0	1	.000	1.5	L1	0-1

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
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	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	Josh Van Beek	R/R	6-3	205	Wabash Valley / IPFW	St. John, Ind.
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.
	Christian Howell	R/R	6-1	165	Minnesota State	Aurora, Ill.
	Tyler Loesher	R/R	6-11	245	Kishwaukee CC	Woodstock, Ill.
	Hunter Clark	L/L	6-1	190	Eastern Illinois	Granger, Ind.

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	В/Т	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
1	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.
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	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.
15	Jeremy Wright	R/R	6-0	184	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 Joliet Admirals Roster

PITCHERS

#	NAME	В/Т	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	В/Т	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
8	Brad Groleau	L/L	6-0	190	McKendree	Peru, Ill.
9	John Thomas	R/R	5-11	190	Indianapolis	Dixon, Ill.
10	Justin Kovalsky	R/R	5-11	190	Benedictine	Bolingbrook, Ill.
11	Mark Brown	L/L	6-3	210	Akron	Indianapolis, Ind.

Manager - Tom Barry | Assistant Coach - Nick Filetti