

Northwest Indiana Oilmen 2015 Game Notes

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SUNDAY'S GAME: NWI Oilmen (4-1) at Lexington Snipes (0-3)

June 7 - 3 p.m. (CT) - Lexington, Ill. Radio: AM 1230 WJOB Internet: nwioilmen.com (UStream)





For Starters

Sunday's game in Lexington marks the end of a grueling stretch of six road games at five different locations in a seven-day span to open the season. After Sunday, the Oilmen will have played at every Midwest Collegiate League venue, other than their home field of Oil City Stadium. The Oilmen picked up their first win at DuPage County since June 21, 2013 on Saturday by clubbing the Hounds 7-1. Through three games, catcher Josh Turnock is batting a team-best .500 (5-for-10). Stefano Belmonte is hitting .188, but leads the team in runs batted in with six.

Inside The Oilmen

The Oilmen will send Keith Mahler to the mound on Sunday for his second start of the year. Mahler departed after three scoreless innings on opening day in Joliet with arm discomfort. He is expected to be on stringent inning and pitch count limits on Sunday. Mahler is a former Snipe, having pitched one game for Lexington on July 26, 2013 against Rockford. Eastern Illinois left-hander Hunter Clark reported and made his Oilmen debut on Saturday, leaving Tyler Loesher as the only player that has yet to report. Loesher is expected to join the team on the upcoming homestand.

Inside the Snipes

The Snipes split a nonleague doubleheader with the Quad City 76ers on Saturday. They enter Sunday's game seeking their first Midwest Collegiate League win of the year. The Snipes have dropped seven straight MCL games dating back to July 24 of last year, including two postseason losses to Southland and two losses to the Oilmen on the final day of the 2014 regular season. The Snipes turn to left-hander Matt Jenkins to try to stop the bleeding. Jenkins made nine appearances as a freshman at Parkland, working 36 2/3 innings while issuing 11 walks and striking out 53. He finished the season with a 2.70 ERA and a record of 5-1. Jenkins will pitch against collegiate teammates Sam Geraci, Xavier Warren and Donovan Chandler, while fellow Cobras pitcher Richard Yelnick is also on the Oilmen roster.

About the Matchup

The Oilmen hold a 12-5 advantage in the all-time series with the Snipes, who are in their third season in the Midwest Collegiate League. The Oilmen are 4-2 in six games played at High Desert Field in Lexington.

<u>Around th</u>e MCL

The Michigan City Lakers made it back-to-back victories by rallying for the second consecutive day for a 9-8 win over Southland on Saturday. The Lakers banged out 18 hits in the triumph. All six MCL are in action with 1 p.m. starts on Sunday.

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	3 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	 a Lexington Snipes 	1 p.m.
7/12	JOLIET ADMIRALS	7 p.m.
7/15	@ Southland Vikings	•
7/16	@ Southland Vikings	7 p.m.
		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	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 Season Location OwnerDon Address500 119th Street (2nd Phone Website Colors Home Field (Capacity) Stadium Address1700 119th S	Whiting, Ind. Popravak (2012-present) Floor) Whiting, IN 46394 219-659-1000 nwioilmen.com Black and Gold .Oil City Stadium (1,300) treet, Whiting, IN 46394
Manager Ada All-Time Team Record92-52, 83	-
Home Record	
Road Record	
Playoff Appearances	2012, 2013, 2014
Playoff Record	6-4
Playoff Home Record	3-2
Playoff Road Record	3-2
MCL Championship Appearances Midwest Collegiate League Titles	

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

FRIDAY:	SATURDAY:
Lakers 7, Oilmen 5	Oilmen 7, Hounds 1
Vikings 7, Admirals 4	Lakers 9, Vikings 8
Hounds 1, Snipes 0	Snipes split doubleheader v. Quad City
SUNDAY:	WEDNESDAY:
Oilmen at Snipes, 1 p.m.	Lakers at Hounds, 5 p.m.
Vikings at Hounds, 1 p.m.	Admirals at Oilmen, 7 p.m.
Admirals at Lakers, 1 p.m.	

Midwest Collegiate League Standings

TEAM	W	L	%	GB	STR
NWI Oilmen	4	1	.800		W1
DuPage County Hounds	4	1	.800		L1
Michigan City Lakers	2	2	.500	1.5	W2
Southland Vikings	2	2	.500	1.5	L1
Joliet Admirals	1	4	.200	3	L3
Lexington Snipes	0	3	.000	3	L3

- 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.
42	Hunter Clark	L/L	6-1	190	Eastern Illinois	Granger, Ind.
45	Christian Howell	R/R	6-1	165	Minnesota State	Aurora, Ill.
	Tyler Loesher	R/R	6-11	245	Kishwaukee CC	Woodstock, 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	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 Lexington Snipes

PITCHERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
1	Kody Silverthorn	R/R	6-0	175	Parkland College	
5	Matthew Dwyer	R/R	6-0	170	Heartland	
6	Brett Fanning	R/R	5-10	160	Upper Iowa	
11	Kolton Vermillion	R/R	6-2	215	Heartland	
14	Travis Auer	R/R	6-0	175	Heartland	
16	Jack Rettig	L/L	6-3	185	Illinois State (commit)	
22	Jeff Lavin	R/R	6-4	185	Parkland	
23	Ross Learnard	R/L	6-1	170	Parkland	
26	Matt Jenkins	L/L	6-3	195	Parkland	
27	Noah Lamboley	R/R	5-11		Parkland	
29	Kyle Jenkins	R/R	6-0	185	IVCC	
30	Ian Hall	L/L	5-9	165	Heartland	
34	Tim Smyk	R/R	6-2	200	Illinois Wesleyan	
35	Brad Parchutz	R/R	6-2	210	Illinois Wesleyan (commit)	

CATCHERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
3	Cale Robinson	R/R	6-0	180	Lewis University	
20	Jason Priest	R/R	6-0	195	Illinois Central College	

INFIELDERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
4	Tanner Russell	R/R	6-0	170	Parkland	
7	Jared McCunn	R/R	6-3	206	Illinois Central Colege	
8	Neal Tyrell	R/R	6-1	185	Lewis	
13	Reid Birlingmair	L/R	6-1	185	University of Chicago (commit)	
21	Owen Miller	R/R	6-0	185	Illinois State (commit)	
24	Chris Maranto	R/R	5-10	180	Butler	
26	Matt Jenkins	L/L	6-3	195	Parkland	
28	Deion Thompson	R/R	6-2	190	Western Illinios (commit)	
44	Reed Rogers	R/R	6-5	250	Heartland	

OUTFIELDERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
2	Tyler Horchem	R/R	6-0	190	John A. Logan	
10	Cully Day	L/L	6-1	170	Parkland	
12	Ryan Frye	R/L	6-2	175	Evangel	
21	Matt Rave	R/R			Carthage	
33	Alex Smith	R/R	5-9	175	Northern Illinois	

Manager - Billy DuBois | Assistant Coaches - Jeff Doll, Darrin Frye