

Northwest Indiana Oilmen 2016 Game Notes

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FRIDAY'S GAME: DuPage County Hounds (14-11) at NWI Oilmen (14-13)

GAME **28**

July 1- 7:20 p.m. (CT) - Whiting, Ind.

Radio: AM 1230 WJOB, 104.7 FM

Online: NWIOilmen.com, wjob1230.com



For Starters

As the calendar turns to July 1, the Oilmen are one game above the .500 mark at 14-13. For comparison, the Oilmen entered July 1 at 12-6 last season, 14-7 in 2014, 13-6 in 2013 and 15-7 in 2012. The Oilmen are in fourth place in the MCL standings, but they're just one game behind first-place DuPage County. Southland and Joliet are tied for second, ½ game behind the first-place Hounds. Last year when the Oilmen reached Game 28, six games separated fourth from first. This year, it's just one game.

Inside The Oilmen

Christian Howell will toe the rubber for the Oilmen on Friday night. He holds a 2-1 record and 4.43 ERA in 22 1/3 innings this season. Howell has issued 16 walks and struck out 18 in five games, four starts. His most recent outing came on June 23, when he yielded five earned runs on six hits and six walks in four innings to suffer his first loss of the year. Alex Nisle was promoted to fifth in the batting order for Thursday's game, the second time he hit fifth this season and the first since June 2. Lakers starter Dan Snyder was perfect through five innings and hurled seven scoreless frames on Thursday as the Oilmen fell 5-1, dropping two of three to the last-place Lakers this week. Bo Fletcher's infield single in the sixth on Thursday snapped a 1-for-21 slump. The Oilmen are 13-2 when they score six or more runs this season. When they score fewer than six runs, the Oilmen are 1-11. Tyler Srocyznski went 0-for-3 on Thursday, his first hitless game since June 2. That snaps a hitting streak that had reached 13 games. Srocyznski did a draw a walk to extend his on-base streak to 13. Corey Krolikowski played left field on Thursday, his first defensive appearance since Game 1 of the season at Bloomington. He had been used exclusively as a designated hitter due to an elbow injury. The Oilmen have two of the top four individuals in the league in batting average as Tommy Szczasny ranks third at .383 and Chase Dawson fourth at .379.

Inside the Hounds

The Hounds go with Christian Bokich as their starting pitcher on Friday night. Bokich has logged 19 innings and owns a 2.39 ERA this season with a 1-1 record and one save to go along with 11 walks and 11 strikeouts. This will be his sixth appearance of the season, but just his second start. Bokich pitched five innings in relief against the Oilmen last week, allowing one unearned run on three hits and three walks. His only start came again the Lakers on June 19, a loss after allowing four runs (three earned) on seven hits and four walks in six innings. Tyler Tesmond is the league leader in RBIs with 26. Dane Toppel is tied with Colin Willis of the Lakers for the league lead in on-base percentage at .522. The Hounds are coming off a 10-8 loss to Southland on Thursday. The Hounds stranded the bases loaded in the bottom of the ninth. The Vikings leaped out to an 8-0 lead before DuPage County made a game of it.

About the Matchup

The Oilmen and Hounds had a memorable meeting last week that took 11 innings to complete. The game ended with Tommy Szczasny stroking a walk-off single to give the Oilmen a 7-6 victory. The Hounds lead the all-time series 20-18 and are 2-2 against NWI 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)	
6/2	@ Bloomington Bobcats (DH)	
6/3	Bloomington Bobcats	L 6-4
6/4 6/5	Southland Vikings Joliet Admirals	susp. W 13-3
6/7	MICHIGAN CITY LAKERS	W 13-3 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	W 13-4
6/29	MICHIGAN CITY LAKERS	W 9-3
6/30	MICHIGAN CITY LAKERS	L 5-1
7/1 7/2	DUPAGE COUNTY HOUNDS SOUTHLAND VIKINGS	7:20 p.m. 7:20 p.m.
7/2	U.S. MILITARY ALL-STARS*	3 p.m.
7/4	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 7/30	@ Bloomington Bobcats@ Southland Vikings	7:30 p.m. 1 p.m.
7/30 7/31	Southland vikings Doliet Admirals	
8/2-8/4	MCL Semifinal Series	1 p.m. TBD
8/5-/8/7	MCL Championship Series	TBD
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NWI Oilmen Fast Facts
Founded/First Season
Owner
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 Record131-80, 115-77 in MCL Games Home Record
Road Record44-39
Playoff Appearances
Playoff Home Record3-4
Playoff Road Record4-2
MCL Championship Appearances2012, 2013 Midwest Collegiate 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

WEDNESDAY:	THURSDAY:
Vikings 4, Admirals 1 Vikings 5, Admirals 4	Vikings 10, Hounds 8
Hounds 12, Bobcats 4	Lakers 5, Oilmen 1
Oilmen 9, Lakers 3	
FRIDAY:	SATURDAY:
Hounds at Oilmen, 7:20 p.m.	Vikings 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	11	.560		L1
Southland Vikings	13	11	.542	0.5	W3
Joliet Admirals	15	13	.536	0.5	L5
NWI Oilmen	14	13	.519	1	L
Bloomington Bobcats	10	13	.435	3	L7
Lakers	9	14	.409	4	W1

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 / McKendree	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.

2016 DuPage County Hounds

PITCHERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
4	Christian Bockich	R/R	6-2	190	Lee University	Burr Ridge, Ill.
5	Joe Palasiewicz	R/R	6-4	220	Benedictine University	Somonauk, Ill.
8	Cole Berry	R/R	6-3	185	Eastern Illinois	St. Joseph, Ill.
10	Ben Simpson	R/R	5-11	140	Eastfield CC	Jennings, La.
14	Chase Lowman	R/R	6-2	195	College of DuPage	League City, Texas
15	Thomas Goodyear	R/R	6-2	165	Rockford University	Romeoville, Ill.
16	Austin Lukaschewski	R/R	5-11	175	University of Illinois Springfield	Troy, Mich.
28	Peter Hamot	R/R	6-4	190	Lewis University	Downers Grove, Ill.
32	Bryan Bund	R/L	6-2	180	Eastern Illinois	Lake Forest, Ill.
33	John Dreveny	R/R	6-3	201	Augustana College	Darien, Ill.
37	Tom Concklin	R/R	6-5	205	Washington and Lee	Hindsale, Ill.
45	Tony lero	L/L	6-3	186	Ohio University	North Canton, Ohio

CATCHERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
5	Nick Blomgren	R/R	5-11	190	High Point University	Milton, Wis.
7	Billy Hayes	R/R	6-0	180	College of DuPage	Lemont, Ill.
23	Mike Roberson	R/R	6-0	205	Mesa CC	Bartlett, Ill.

INFIELDERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
6	Chris Macahon	R/R	6-1	185	Mesa CC	Palatine, Ill.
9	Zach Girard	R/R	5-9	170	Wayne State University	Sleepy Hollow, Ill.
11	Joe Engel	R/R	5-11	165	Columbia University	Downers Grove, Ill.
19	Joey Roberson	L/L	6-0	185	Cleveland State CC	Bartlett, Ill.
21	Dustin Krob	R/R	5-11	170	South Suburban CC	Justice, Ill.
25	Ryan Krob	R/R	5-11	185	University of Chicago	Justice, Ill.

OUTFIELDERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
1	Dane Toppel	R/R	5-9	150	Eastern Illinois	South Elgin, Ill.
3	Tyler Tesmond	R/R	6-0	205	Eastern Illinois	Naperville, Ill.
12	Eric Glitz	R/R	5-9	175	SIU Edwardsville	Warrenville, Ill.
22	Brandon Post	R/R	6-0	180	Lewis University	Elk Grove Village, Ill.

Manager - Ben Caple | Assistant Coaches - Jordan Rodgers and Rick Panek

2016 Northwest Indiana Oilmen Stats

HITTING STATS

NAME	AVG	AB	HITS	HR	RBI	R	SLG	ОВР	2B
Tommy Szczasny	.383	60	23	1	20	13	.567	.437	4
Marshawn Taylor	.381	21	8	0	7	5	.476	.458	2
Chase Dawson	.379	66	25	0	8	19	.500	.487	6
Stefano Belmonte	.344	64	23	1	18	10	.422	.400	2
Tyler Sroczynski	.343	67	23	2	11	26	.537	.444	5
Chase Fieldhouse	.333	54	18	0	9	15	.370	.519	2
Cory Krolikowski	.327	52	17	0	7	10	.385	.407	1
Zack Forney	.316	57	18	0	11	19	.386	.467	2
Jimmy Govern	.292	24	7	0	8	4	.389	.478	2
Jordan Flint	.279	68	19	0	11	17	.324	.368	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	.250	60	15	0	11	13	.300	.410	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	.214	28	6	0	2	1	.214	.353	0
Josh Mutter	.200	20	4	0	2	2	.250	.304	1
Bo Fletcher	.195	41	7	0	4	7	.220	.214	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	.292	904	264	5	167	191	.372	.402	45

PITCHING STATS

NAME	W	L	S	IP	ERA	ВВ	K	WHIP	BAA
Hunter Clark	1	0	1	13.2	0.00	11	7	1.39	.163
James Whiteman	0	1	1	10.2	0.84	6	15	1.69	.250
Clay Keltner	3	1	0	26.2	1.35	9	16	1.24	.240
Richard Yelnick	2	1	0	24.0	1.50	7	22	1.13	.215
Braden Niksich	0	0	1	13.1	1.80	7	10	1.30	.176
Sam Geraci	2	0	0	14.1	1.88	4	9	1.19	.224
Max Siedecki	1	1	0	27.0	2.00	13	18	1.50	.236
Luke Jaksich	2	0	0	20.1	4.43	18	20	1.92	.266
Christian Howell	2	1	0	22.1	4.43	16	18	1.39	.179
Jordan Petty	0	0	1	8.0	4.50	2	6	1.50	.286
Jay Gutierrez	0	0	0	7.0	5.14	6	4	2.14	.300
Eric Frontzak	1	2	0	13.1	5.40	7	9	2.03	.313
Reggie Johnson	0	4	0	18.1	5.79	10	17	2.07	.346
Jamary McKinney	0	0	0	7.1	6.13	13	6	2.73	.250
Josh Mutter	0	1	0	2.0	31.50	6	1	4.50	.300
TEAM STATS	14	12	4	230.0	3.29	141	181	1.60	.246

DUPAGE COUNTY HOUNDS STATS

HITTING STATS

NAME	AVG	AB	HITS	HR	RBI	R	SLG	ОВР	2B
Austin Lukaschewski	1.000	1	1	0	2	0	1.000	1.000	0
Dane Toppel	.377	69	26	0	7	23	.420	.522	3
Chris Macahon	.364	22	8	0	3	3	.409	.462	1
Ryan Krob	.362	58	21	0	13	11	.397	.394	2
Brandon Post	.329	73	24	2	13	17	.466	.419	2
Joe Engel	.323	65	21	1	9	18	.385	.418	1
Matt Bottcher	.308	13	3	0	4	3	.462	.357	0
Javier Martinez	.296	27	8	0	9	5	.370	.355	2
Mike Roberson	.281	96	27	1	15	17	.396	.361	6
Tyler Tesmond	.271	85	23	2	26	12	.388	.393	4
Zach Girard	.254	59	15	1	5	12	.356	.362	1
Dustin Krob	.250	36	9	0	3	9	.333	.372	3
Eric Glitz	.244	41	10	0	7	8	.341	.354	2
John Dreveny	.244	41	10	0	7	7	.317	.326	0
Joey Roberson	.222	55	14	1	10	4	.317	.319	3
Nick Blomgren	.222	18	4	0	1	2	.222	.300	0
Billy Hayes	.216	74	15	0	14	16	.230	.376	1
TEAM STATS	.287	841	241	8	148	167	.367	.389	32

PITCHING STATS

NAME	W	L	S	IP	ERA	ВВ	K	WHIP	BAA
Ben Simpson	0	0	0	5.0	0.00	6	5	2.00	.300
Nick Alfini	0	1	0	4.1	0.00	4	3	2.08	.263
Joey Roberson	1	0	0	14.0	1.93	4	7	1.43	.340
Christian Bockich	1	1	1	19.0	2.37	11	17	1.42	.219
Peter Hamot	2	1	0	27.1	3.29	10	23	1.28	.231
Chase Lowman	5	2	0	32.2	3.31	13	31	1.29	.236
John Dreveny	0	0	0	4.2	3.86	6	3	1.93	.188
Joe Palaslewicz	0	1	0	9.2	4.66	5	7	1.97	.326
Tony Iero	1	0	2	19.1	5.12	10	13	1.66	.275
Thomas Goodyear	3	1	0	21.1	5.48	15	22	1.73	.265
Austin Lukaschewski	0	0	1	12.2	5.68	16	12	2.29	.310
Bryan Bund	0	2	1	20.2	6.53	21	20	1.98	.235
Cole Berry	1	2	0	17.0	7.41	20	10	2.41	.288
Basil Arian	0	0	0	2.0	13.50	2	3	3.50	.417
TEAM STATS	14	11	6	210.2	4.27	145	177	1.71	.263