



Northwest Indiana Oilmen

2014 Game Notes

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TONIGHT'S GAME:

Northwest Indiana Oilmen (17-10, 15-9)
at DuPage County Hounds (20-8)

July 13 - 6:00 p.m. - Lisle, Ill.

Radio: AM 1230 WJOB

Internet: nwioilmen.com (UStream)

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Oilmen News & Notes

For Starters

The Oilmen are coming off one of their most well-played games of the year, a sound 4-1 victory over Lexington on Friday night. Andrew Ray cracked the first home run by an Oilmen player out of Oil City Stadium this season. The last Oilmen player to homer out of Oil City Stadium before Ray's blast on Friday was Kenny Mahala on July 22, 2013. Nick Nauracy tossed seven solid innings, allowing one run on seven hits while striking out seven and walking none. He earned the victory to improve to 3-2. James Meeker, Rob Blissitt and Nate Schneider had two hits each. Schneider's fifth-inning double extended his hitting streak to 10 games. Matt Pobereyko nailed down his ninth save by striking out three of the four Snipes he faced in the ninth inning. Pobereyko has 26 strikeouts in only 14 1/3 innings this season, for a strikeouts per nine innings ratio of 16.326. Opposing hitters are batting only .125 against Pobereyko this season.

Inside The Oilmen

After playing in 10 consecutive lopsided games, the Oilmen finally participated in a tightly-contested contest on Friday night. Scoring the first run of a game has been critical for the Oilmen this season. They are now 15-1 when scoring first and 2-9 when the opposition strikes first. The Oilmen now sit in third place in the Midwest Collegiate League standings, with the top four teams advancing to the postseason. The Oilmen hold a 9.5 game lead over fifth place Joliet. The top four teams will jockey for playoff positioning down the stretch with the first and second place teams securing home-field advantage in the opening round of the postseason.

Inside the Hounds

The DuPage County Hounds are a team - like the Oilmen - that does not hit for much power. The Hounds have only four home runs all season, but their offense relies on its speed to score runs. The Hounds lead the league in triples with 16 and stolen bases with 88. The Oilmen rank second in the league in stolen bases with 42. Richie Gorski is the league leader in swiped bags with 15, while Connor Kopach ranks second with 13. The only other players in the league with double-figure stolen base totals are also Hounds: Emerson Misch (11) and Stewart Nelson (11).

About the Matchup

The Oilmen and Hounds are set to meet for the first time since June 27, a 5-0 Oilmen victory at Oil City Stadium. The Hounds hold a 3-1 advantage in the season series, while the Oilmen lead the all-time set 10-9.

Around the MCL

The entire Midwest Collegiate League slate of games on Saturday was postponed by rain. The Snipes and Vikings will play a doubleheader on Sunday at High Desert Field - two games that Hounds and Oilmen fans will have their eyes on as the race for home field advantage in the playoffs heats up.

2014 Schedule

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|-------|-------------------------|---------|
| 05/28 | LEXINGTON SNIPES | W 2-1 |
| 05/30 | @ Joliet Admirals | W 13-2 |
| 05/31 | @ DuPage County Hounds | L 8-1 |
| 06/01 | @ Lexington Snipes | L 17-5 |
| 06/03 | @ Southland Vikings | W 2-0 |
| 06/05 | DUPAGE COUNTY HOUNDS | L 6-3 |
| 06/06 | MICHIGAN CITY LAKERS* | L 3-1 |
| 06/07 | @ Michigan City Lakers* | W 5-4 |
| 06/12 | SOUTHLAND VIKINGS | W 5-4 |
| 06/13 | JOLIET ADMIRALS | W 2-1 |
| 06/14 | CHICAGO ZEPHYRS | W 8-0 |
| 06/15 | LEXINGTON SNIPES | W 6-3 |
| 06/17 | MICHIGAN CITY LAKERS* | W 5-3 |
| 06/20 | JOLIET ADMIRALS | W 1-0 |
| 06/22 | @ DuPage County Hounds | L 2-1 |
| 06/23 | SOUTHLAND VIKINGS | W 3-2 |
| 06/25 | CHICAGO ZEPHYRS | L 11-2 |
| 06/26 | JOLIET ADMIRALS | L 8-2 |
| 06/27 | DUPAGE COUNTY HOUNDS | W 5-0 |
| 06/28 | @ Chicago Zephyrs | W 7-1 |
| 06/29 | @ Joliet Admirals | W 12-4 |
| 07/01 | SOUTHLAND VIKINGS | L 14-8 |
| 07/03 | @ Lexington Snipes | W 9-1 |
| 07/04 | SOUTHLAND VIKINGS | L 7-3 |
| 07/05 | SOUTHLAND VIKINGS | L 13-3 |
| 07/08 | @ Chicago Zephyrs | W 8-0 |
| 07/11 | LEXINGTON SNIPES | W 4-1 |
| 07/13 | @ DuPage County Hounds | 6:00 PM |
| 07/14 | @ Southland Vikings | 5:10 PM |
| 07/14 | @ Southland Vikings | 7:10 PM |
| 07/15 | DUPAGE COUNTY HOUNDS | 7:10 PM |
| 07/16 | @ Chicago Zephyrs | 5:30 PM |
| 07/17 | JOLIET ADMIRALS | 7:10 PM |
| 07/18 | LEXINGTON SNIPES | 7:10 PM |
| 07/19 | DUPAGE COUNTY HOUNDS | 7:10 PM |
| 07/20 | CHICAGO ZEPHYRS | 4:10 PM |
| 07/20 | CHICAGO ZEPHYRS | 6:10 PM |
| 07/22 | @ DuPage County Hounds | 7:10 PM |
| 07/23 | SOUTHLAND VIKINGS | 7:10 PM |
| 07/24 | @ Joliet Admirals | 5:00 PM |
| 07/25 | @ Joliet Admirals | 5:00 PM |
| 07/26 | @ Lexington Snipes | 1:00 PM |
| 07/26 | @ Lexington Snipes | 3:30 PM |
| 07/28 | CHICAGO ZEPHYRS | 7:10 PM |
| 07/29 | MCL Playoffs | TBD |
| 07/30 | MCL Playoffs | TBD |
| 07/31 | MCL Playoffs | TBD |
| 08/01 | MCL Playoffs | TBD |
| 08/02 | MCL Playoffs | TBD |
| 08/03 | MCL Playoffs | TBD |

* - denotes nonleague game
CAPS- denotes home game

NWI Oilmen Fast Facts

Founded/First Season.....2012
 Location.....Whiting, Ind.
 Owners.....Don Popravak, Kim Payne, Ron Kittle
 Phone.....219-659-1000
 Website.....nwoilmen.com
 Colors.....Black and Gold
 Home Field (Capacity).....Oil City Stadium (1,300)
 Stadium Address.....1700 119th Street, Whiting, IN 46394
 Manager.....Justin Huisman (third season)
 All-Time Team Record.....77-41, 70-38 in MCL Games
 Home Record.....52-21 (48-20 in MCL)
 Road Record.....28-19
 Playoff Appearances.....2012, 2013
 Playoff Record.....6-2
 Playoff Home Record.....3-1
 Playoff Road Record.....3-1
 MCL Championship Appearances.....2012, 2013
 Midwest Collegiate League Titles.....2012

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 will handle play-by-play duties for every Oilmen game this season. Joey Gelman joins Brandon for all home games, while David Bork provides color commentary when the team is on the road. To listen on the internet, click the "Listen Live" tab at the top of the NWIOilmen.com homepage.



Midwest Collegiate League Scoreboard

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| FRIDAY: NWI Oilmen 4, Lexington Snipes 1 DuPage Hounds 5, Joliet Admirals 2 DuPage Hounds 8, Chicago Zephyrs 0 | SATURDAY: DuPage Hounds @ NWI Oilmen ppd. Lexington Snipes @ Southland Vikings ppd. Joliet Admirals @ Chicago Zephyrs ppd. Lexington Snipes @ Chicago Zephyrs ppd. |
| SUNDAY: NWI Oilmen @ DuPage Hounds Joliet Admirals @ Chicago Zephyrs Southland Vikings @ Lexington Snipes (DH) | MONDAY: NWI Oilmen at Southland Vikings (DH) |

Midwest Collegiate League Standings

| TEAM | W | L | % | GB | STR |
|----------------------|----|----|-------|------|-----|
| DuPage County Hounds | 20 | 8 | 0.714 | --- | W3 |
| Southland Vikings | 16 | 8 | 0.667 | 2 | W10 |
| NWI Oilmen | 15 | 9 | 0.625 | 3 | W2 |
| Lexington Snipes | 16 | 12 | 0.571 | 4 | L2 |
| Joliet Admirals | 5 | 21 | 0.192 | 12 | L5 |
| Chicago Zephyrs | 4 | 18 | 0.182 | 12.5 | L3 |

X= Clinched Playoff Berth

Y= Clinched Home Field Advantage

E= Eliminated from Playoff Contention

2014 Northwest Indiana Oilmen Roster

PITCHERS

| # | NAME | B/T | Ht. | Wt. | COLLEGE | HOMETOWN |
|----|-----------------|-----|------|-----|-----------------------------|--------------------|
| 5 | Kevin Jones | L/R | 5-11 | 180 | Northern Illinois | Portage, Ind. |
| 10 | Andrew Jackson | L/L | 6-5 | 210 | Wabash College | Wheatfield, Ind |
| 21 | Nick Nauracy | R/R | 6-1 | 185 | Ohio University | Crown Point, Ind |
| 25 | Jimmy McNamara | L/L | 6-2 | 175 | Central Michigan | Dyer, Ind. |
| 26 | Danny Pobereyko | R/R | 6-5 | 200 | Butler University | Munster, Ind. |
| 27 | Andrew Lowe | R/R | 6-2 | 220 | UW-Whitewater | Whiting, Ind. |
| 28 | Keith Mahler | R/R | 6-6 | 185 | Heartland Community College | Highland, Ind. |
| 29 | Anthony Gomez | L/L | 6-0 | 200 | Ball State | Munster, Ind. |
| 30 | Aaron Glatt | R/R | 6-2 | 190 | University of Dayton | Schererville, Ind. |
| 36 | Scott Jerge | R/R | 6-0 | 185 | Valparaiso | Munster, Ind. |
| 42 | Matt Pobereyko | R/R | 6-1 | 239 | Kentucky Wesleyan | Munster, Ind. |
| 43 | Cameron Linck | R/R | 6-2 | 175 | Hill College | Kingwood, Texas |

CATCHERS

| # | NAME | B/T | Ht. | Wt. | COLLEGE | HOMETOWN |
|----|--------------|-----|------|-----|------------------------------|---------------------|
| 19 | Zack Jones | R/R | 5-11 | 190 | Trinity Christian College | Park Forest, Ill. |
| 23 | Andrew Ray | R/R | 6-1 | 195 | Northern Illinois University | Michigan City, Ind. |
| 33 | Alec Ornelas | R/R | 6-1 | 197 | Central Michigan University | Mokena, Ill. |

INFIELDERS

| # | NAME | B/T | Ht. | Wt. | COLLEGE | HOMETOWN |
|----|------------------|-----|------|-----|-----------------------------|---------------------|
| 2 | Ryan Burvan | R/R | 5-11 | 165 | Purdue University | Dyer, Ind. |
| 3 | Kevin DeFilippis | R/R | 6-0 | 170 | University of Notre Dame | Homer Glen, Ill. |
| 13 | Nick Vogelmeier | R/R | 5-11 | 165 | Western Michigan University | Lake Orion, Mich. |
| 14 | James Meeker | R/L | 6-4 | 180 | Akron University | Wexford, Penn. |
| 15 | Anthony Colosimo | L/L | 6-0 | 185 | Purdue Calumet | Lake Forest, Ill. |
| 22 | Nate Schneider | R/R | 6-2 | 210 | Western Michigan University | Portage, Mich. |
| 24 | Brodie Meyer | R/R | 6-0 | 180 | Butler University | Palos Heights, Ill. |

OUTFIELDERS

| # | NAME | B/T | Ht. | Wt. | COLLEGE | HOMETOWN |
|----|-------------------|-----|-----|-----|------------------------------|---------------|
| 1 | Craig Dedelow | L/R | 6-4 | 190 | Indiana University | Munster, Ind. |
| 7 | Larry Crisler | R/R | 6-4 | 190 | Indiana University | Gary, Ind. |
| 9 | Rob Blissitt, Jr. | R/R | 6-3 | 165 | University of Cincinnati | Markham, Ill. |
| 17 | Jason Gasser | L/R | 6-0 | 195 | Northern Illinois University | Dyer, Ind. |

Manager - Justin Huisman | Assistant Coaches - Adam Enright, Mike Coles

2014 DuPage County Hounds Roster

PITCHERS

| # | NAME | B/T | Ht. | Wt. | COLLEGE | HOMETOWN |
|----|-------------------|-----|------|-----|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1 | Tomas Michelson | L/R | 6-4 | 185 | University of Illinois-Chicago | Naperville, Ill. |
| 4 | Christian Bokich | R/R | 6-2 | 188 | Miami University | Burr Ridge, Ill. |
| 9 | Ryan Hinchley | L/L | 6-3 | 200 | University of Illinois-Chicago | Elmhurst, Ill. |
| 11 | Chase Thurston | R/R | 5-11 | 175 | Eastern Illinois University | Danville, Ill. |
| 19 | Josh Davis | R/R | 6-4 | 215 | University of Akron | Clarksburg, W.V. |
| 21 | Adam Dressler | R/R | 6-0 | 185 | Purdue University | Clarendon Hills, Ill. |
| 32 | Bob Kametas | R/R | 6-0 | 200 | Saint Joseph's College of Indiana | Oak Lawn, Ill. |
| 33 | Patrick Bellinger | R/R | 6-5 | 200 | Tiffin University | Schaumburg, Ill. |
| 34 | Alex Cain | R/R | 6-3 | 205 | Eastern Illinois University | Oregon, Ill. |
| 37 | Nick Martin | L/R | 6-0 | 200 | Indiana State University | Lake in the Hills, Ill. |
| 45 | Matt Frawley | R/R | 6-1 | 186 | Purdue University | Carol Stream, Ill. |
| 50 | Trent Carrier | R/R | 6-3 | 190 | Holy Names University | Anaheim, Calif. |
| 55 | Pat Cashman | R/R | 6-0 | 175 | Southern Louisiana University | |

CATCHERS

| # | NAME | B/T | Ht. | Wt. | COLLEGE | HOMETOWN |
|----|---------------|-----|-----|-----|--------------------------------|------------------|
| 2 | Danny Riley | R/R | 6-0 | 185 | University of Illinois-Chicago | Naperville, Ill. |
| 16 | Brian Lees | R/R | 6-1 | 200 | University of Akron | Brunswick, Ohio |
| 25 | Mike Roberson | R/R | 6-0 | 205 | Ball State University | Bartlett, Ill. |

INFIELDERS

| # | NAME | B/T | Ht. | Wt. | COLLEGE | HOMETOWN |
|----|----------------|-----|------|-----|------------------------------------|------------------|
| 3 | Drew Sterioti | R/R | 6-1 | 185 | Eastern Illinois University | Naperville, Ill. |
| 5 | Stewart Nelson | R/R | 5-9 | 140 | University of Evansville | LaGrange, Ill. |
| 6 | Adam Wilson | R/R | 6-0 | 215 | Centenary of LA | Harrison, Maine |
| 7 | Connor Kopach | R/R | 5-10 | 160 | SIU Carbondale | Westmont, Ill. |
| 10 | Richie Gorski | R/R | 6-2 | 190 | University of Illinois | Streamwood, Ill. |
| 12 | Kyle Hunsinger | R/R | 6-1 | 180 | University of Illinois-Springfield | Joliet, Ill. |
| 22 | Drew LaComb | S/R | 5-10 | 180 | Mesa Community College | Las Vegas, NV |

OUTFIELDERS

| # | NAME | B/T | Ht. | Wt. | COLLEGE | HOMETOWN |
|----|------------------|-----|-----|-----|--------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 14 | Conor Philbin | L/R | 6-0 | 180 | University of Illinois-Chicago | Naperville, Ill. |
| 15 | Frankie Perrone | R/R | 5-9 | 185 | Eastern Illinois University | Park Ridge, Ill. |
| 18 | Emerson Misch | L/R | 6-0 | 195 | Valparaiso University | Bloomfield Hills, Mich. |
| 23 | Clayton Johannes | R/R | 6-3 | 218 | Robert Morris University | |

Manager - Sean Osborne | Assistant Coaches - Ben Caple, Joe DeCeault, Ryan Miller

2014 Northwest Indiana Oilmen Stats

| Batting | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|------------|------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|-----|----|-----|----|
| Player | AVG | G | AB | R | H | 2B | 3B | HR | RBI | BB | HBP | SB |
| Dedelow | .352 | 14 | 54 | 12 | 19 | 7 | 1 | 0 | 11 | 7 | 2 | 5 |
| Schneider | .321 | 23 | 78 | 11 | 25 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 13 | 9 | 4 | 7 |
| Gasser | .319 | 20 | 72 | 10 | 23 | 7 | 1 | 0 | 11 | 14 | 0 | 3 |
| Burvan | .278 | 21 | 79 | 12 | 22 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 14 | 0 | 2 |
| Blissitt | .257 | 20 | 70 | 7 | 18 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 6 | 1 | 2 |
| Meeker | .247 | 20 | 77 | 8 | 19 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 9 | 11 | 0 | 1 |
| Crisler | .226 | 9 | 31 | 8 | 7 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 5 | 3 | 4 |
| Jones, Z. | .210 | 19 | 62 | 8 | 13 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 8 | 15 | 1 | 2 |
| Ornelas | .206 | 19 | 68 | 5 | 14 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 4 | 4 | 1 |
| DeFilippis | .202 | 22 | 84 | 19 | 17 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 9 | 9 | 2 | 6 |
| Colosimo | .196 | 16 | 51 | 4 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 10 | 2 | 1 |
| Vogelmeier | .192 | 23 | 73 | 14 | 14 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 16 | 1 | 4 |
| Ray | .180 | 17 | 50 | 5 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 6 | 9 | 2 | 0 |
| Meyer | .000 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |

| Pitching | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------|------|----|----|----|----|---|---|----|------|
| Pitchers | IP | R | ER | BB | K | W | L | SV | ERA |
| Jones, K | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00 |
| Pobereyko, M | 14.1 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 26 | 0 | 0 | 9 | 0.62 |
| Linck | 36 | 8 | 7 | 15 | 34 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 1.75 |
| Jerge | 18.2 | 5 | 4 | 5 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1.92 |
| Mahler | 33 | 12 | 10 | 5 | 26 | 2 | 4 | 0 | 2.72 |
| McNamara | 28 | 13 | 10 | 2 | 28 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 3.21 |
| Jackson | 8 | 6 | 6 | 3 | 7 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 3.37 |
| Gomez | 11 | 12 | 7 | 8 | 12 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 3.93 |
| Pobereyko, D | 26.1 | 12 | 12 | 3 | 32 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 4.10 |
| Lowe | 10 | 6 | 5 | 5 | 15 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4.50 |
| Nauracy | 28.1 | 24 | 18 | 11 | 36 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 5.71 |
| Glatt | 7.2 | 9 | 8 | 4 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 9.39 |