

# Northwest Indiana Oilmen 2016 Game Notes

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**WEDNESDAY'S GAMES:** 

Lakers (13-22)

at Northwest Indiana Oilmen (22-17)

\*DOUBLEHEADER\*

July 20 - 5 & 7:20 (CT) - Whiting, Ind.

Radio: AM 1230 WJOB, 104.7 FM (Gm. 2)

Online: NWIOilmen.com (both)





#### For Starters

The Oilmen will play a home doubleheader for the first time since the final day of the 2015 regular season, when they swept the Lexington Snipes to secure home-field advantage in the first round of the playoffs. After Wednesday, there will be only 10 games (six home, four road) remaining in the regular season. Wednesday's doubleheader makes up a game that was scheduled for July 13 and postponed by rain. The Oilmen have played three doubleheaders so far this season - one split (at Joliet), one loss (at Bloomington) and one win (at Lakers). Wednesday will feature two seven-inning games.

#### <u>Inside the Oilmen</u>

Tyler Sroczynski cracked his fifth home run of the season on Saturday. With each long ball, he sets a new all-time Oilmen single-season record. He leads the league in home runs, runs scored with 41 and stolen bases with 18. Stefano Belmonte's .402 average ranks second in the league, behind Joliet's Cody Grosse at .423. Belmonte has multiple hits in seven of his last eight. Chris Baker is tied with Southland's Lucas Karz for the league lead in walks with 23. Game 1 starter Christian Howell comes off his longest break between starts this season. His most recent outing was July 8 at DuPage County, when he allowed one run on eight hits over seven innings to pick up the win. He has faced the Lakers twice this season. He allowed six runs (four earned) on four hits and four walks to get no decision in 4 1/3 innings on June 7, then yielded just one run on one hit in six innings to pick up the win on June 15. For the season, Howell has a 3-1 record and 2.95 ERA in seven games, six starts. He has logged 36 2/3 innings, ranking second on the Oilmen even before Wednesday's start. In part because of the large number of innings he's worked, Howell has issued the second-most walks on the team at 21 (Luke Jaksich 23) and racked up the second-most strikeouts on the team at 29 (Richard Yelnick 30). Game 2 starter Max Siedlecki pitched a scoreless inning of relief to tune up on Saturday. His most recent start was a six-inning win over the Lakers on July 6 despite allowing four runs on 10 hits. This season, Siedlecki is 2-1 with a 2.65 ERA, 15 walks and 20 strikeouts over 34 innings in seven games, six starts.

### <u>Inside the Lakers</u>

The Lakers split a doubleheader with DuPage County on Sunday, winning the first game 11-3 before dropping the second game 13-2. The Lakers are 3-2 in their last five games. Jerome Burton gets the start in Game 1, facing the Oilmen for the third time this season. He pitched three scoreless innings in relief on June 7, then started and took the loss on June 29, allowing seven runs (five earned) on four hits and eight walks in five innings. His most recent outing came against the Vikings on Friday, when he allowed eight runs (five earned) on eight hits in two innings of relief, but strangely enough got the win. The Oilmen have seen their fair share of Game 2 starter Bobby Humphreys, who has pitched four games against the Oilmen and has a 5.79 ERA in 14 innings. games.

### <u>About the Matchup</u>

The Oilmen lead the season series 6-2 and the all-time series 16-11.

### 2016 Schedule

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
6/2	@ Bloomington Bobcats (DH)	L 3-2
6/2	@ Bloomington Bobcats (DH)	L 3-0
6/3	@ Bloomington Bobcats	L 6-4
6/4	@ Southland Vikings	W 12-1
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
6/23	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	DUPAGE COUNTY HOUNDS	L 3-2
7/2	SOUTHLAND VIKINGS	L 2-0
7/4	U.S. MILITARY ALL-STARS*	L 4-3
7/6	@ Michigan City Lakers (DH)	W 8-5
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7/7	@ Bloomington Bobcats	W 7-3
7/8	@ DuPage County Hounds	W 7-1
7/9	@ Southland Vikings	W 16-0
7/14	SOUTHLAND VIKINGS	W 10-5
7/15	DUPAGE COUNTY HOUNDS	W 6-1
7/16	SOUTHLAND VIKINGS	L 11-5
7/17	JOLIET ADMIRALS	L 6-4
7/20	MICHIGAN CITY LAKERS (DH)	•
7/20	MICHIGAN CITY LAKERS (DH)	
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	@ Joliet Admirals	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
OwnerDon Popravak (2012-present)
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Phone219-659-1000 Websitenwioilmen.com
ColorsBlack and Gold
Home Field (Capacity)Oil City Stadium (1,500) Stadium Address1700 119th Street, Whiting, IN 46394
Manager Adam Enright
All-Time Team Record138-85, 122-81 in MCL Games
Home Record
Road Record49-39 Playoff Appearances2012, 2013, 2014, 2015
Playoff Record7-6
Playoff Home Record
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

SUNDAY:	TUESDAY:
Lakers 11, Hounds 3   Hounds 13, Lakers 2	Admirals 15, Vikings 4
Admirals 6, Oilmen 4	Hounds 2, Bobcats 1
Vikings at Bobcats, ppd.	
WEDNESDAY:	THURSDAY:
Lakers at Oilmen (DH), 5 & 7:20 p.m.	Hounds at Bobcats, 5:30 p.m.
Vikings at Admirals, 5 p.m.	Admirals at Lakers, 7:20 p.m.
Bobcats at Hounds, 5 p.m.	Vikings at Oilmen, 7:20 p.m.

## Midwest Collegiate League Standings

TEAM	W	L	%	GB	STR
Joliet Admirals	22	15	.595		W6
DC Hounds	22	16	.579	0.5	W1
NWI Oilmen	22	17	.564	1	L2
Southland Vikings	16	20	.444	5.5	L1
Bloomington Bobcats	14	19	.424	6	L1
Lakers	13	22	.371	8	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
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 Northwest	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.

# 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	С	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	С	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	Р	R/R	Wheeler HS
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	Jake Lane	3B/1B	R/R	PNC
27	Zach Thorn	OF	R/R	Trine
30	Alec Olund	OF	R/R	Purdue
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

Produced by: David Bork, Director of Statistics

#### **HITTING STATS**

NAME	AVG	AB	HITS	HR	RBI	R	SLG	ОВР	2B
Stefano Belmonte	.402	97	39	1	23	21	.485	.462	5
Chase Dawson	.379	95	36	0	15	27	.516	.482	7
Tommy Szczasny	.356	90	32	2	24	20	.533	.445	6
Tyler Sroczynski	.346	104	36	5	22	41	.644	.448	10
Clay Keltner	.333	3	1	0	0	0	.333	.333	0
Chase Fieldhouse	.321	84	27	0	14	19	.369	.478	4
Zack Forney	.313	80	25	1	12	25	.425	.462	4
Jimmy Govern	.308	26	8	0	10	5	.385	.387	2
Chris Baker	.305	82	25	1	17	20	.402	.449	3
Brad Bohlen	.289	38	11	0	9	1	.368	.357	3
Cory Krolikowski	.277	65	18	0	8	11	.323	.365	1
Jordan Flint	.274	95	26	0	15	22	.326	.386	5
Zack Jones	.273	11	3	0	6	3	.364	.385	1
Sam Geraci	.250	4	1	0	1	0	.250	.250	0
Alex Nisle	.237	80	19	0	15	14	.287	.398	4
Josh Mutter	.233	43	10	0	6	7	.279	.340	2
Marshawn Taylor	.228	57	13	0	11	8	.281	.274	3
Blake Cleveland	.227	44	10	0	4	3	.227	.358	0
Bo Fletcher	.217	60	13	0	4	9	.233	.230	1
Jake Perreira	.212	85	18	2	14	11	.341	.324	5
Josh Fewell	.203	59	12	1	9	7	.288	.338	2
Jordan Petty	.000	1	0	0	0	0	.000	.000	0
Reggie Johnson	.000	3	0	0	0	0	.000	.000	0
TEAM STATS	.293	1306	383	13	239	274	.392	.402	68

#### **PITCHING STATS**

NAME	W	L	S	IP	ERA	ВВ	K	WHIP	BAA
Hunter Clark	1	0	2	21.0	0.43	17	18	1.38	.160
Braden Niksich	0	1	2	16.1	1.10	11	14	1.29	.172
Jordan Petty	3	0	1	23.0	2.35	11	23	1.35	.227
Sam Geraci	5	0	0	30.1	2.37	5	17	1.06	.227
Richard Yelnick	2	2	0	34.0	2.38	12	30	1.32	.246
Max Siedecki	2	1	0	34.0	2.65	15	20	1.50	.261
James Whiteman	0	1	2	12.2	2.84	8	17	1.82	.273
Christian Howell	3	1	0	36.2	2.95	21	29	1.33	.201
Clay Keltner	3	3	0	37.2	3.35	14	26	1.41	.262
Luke Jaksich	3	0	0	29.1	3.38	23	29	1.67	.222
Jay Gutierrez	0	0	0	11.0	4.09	6	5	1.91	.306
Eric Frontzak	1	2	0	13.1	5.40	7	9	2.03	.313
Reggie Johnson	0	4	0	23.1	5.79	16	20	2.14	.346
Jamary McKinney	0	0	0	7.1	7.36	14	6	3.14	.300
Josh Mutter	0	1	0	2.0	31.50	6	1	4.50	.300
TEAM STATS	22	17	7	332.0	3.20	186	264	1.54	.245

#### **MICHIGAN CITY LAKERS STATS**

#### **HITTING STATS**

NAME	AVG	AB	HITS	HR	RBI	R	SLG	ОВР	2B
Kyle Mclaughlin	.500	2	1	0	0	0	.500	.500	0
Lorenzo Scott	.500	2	1	0	0	0	.500	.500	0
Jesse Mills	.400	5	2	1	3	3	1.000	.500	0
Colin Willis	.395	81	31	3	19	20	.691	.528	11
Chad Majeta	.371	35	13	1	8	11	.571	.452	4
Alec Olund	.364	44	16	0	4	12	.523	.462	5
Jerry Hodges	.333	69	23	1	13	15	.464	.420	4
Zach Thorn	.284	67	19	0	4	20	.328	.461	3
Max Kerr	.274	95	26	1	28	15	.368	.377	6
Jake Lane	.266	79	21	0	16	11	.329	.356	3
Mark Dye	.237	76	18	2	10	14	.421	.318	4
Tommy Fuesell	.234	65	15	0	4	7	.308	.296	1
Anthony Olund	.229	83	19	0	12	19	.277	.375	4
Chase Clarkson	.194	31	6	0	1	4	.194	.405	0
RJ Zambrano	.167	72	12	0	5	6	.181	.277	1
Spencer Sutton	.156	45	7	0	8	3	.156	.310	0
Jake Lafebvre	.125	8	1	0	1	1	.125	.222	0
Jake Povlock	.111	9	1	0	0	0	.111	.111	0
Pat Arndt	.111	45	5	0	2	4	.111	.167	0
Tyler Bearden	.074	27	2	1	3	4	.185	.265	0
Adam Nelson	.000	2	0	0	0	1	.000	.500	0
Dan Snyder	.000	1	0	0	0	0	.000	.000	0
Griffin Murphy	.000	0	0	0	0	1	.000	1.000	0
Jeremy Morton	.000	3	0	0	0	0	.000	.250	0
Jim Catanazarite	.000	1	0	0	0	1	.000	.500	0
LaTrell Earls	.000	1	0	0	0	0	.000	.000	0
TEAM STATS	.252	954	240	10	142	173	.350	.373	46

NAME	W	L	S	IP	ERA	ВВ	K	WHIP	ВАА
Jeremy Morton	0	0	0	1.1	0.00	1	3	1.50	.200
Jesse Mills	0	0	0	0.1	0.00	2	1	6.00	.000
Lorenzo Scott	0	0	0	2.0	0.00	2	2	1.50	.143
Tommy Fuesell	0	0	0	0.2	0.00	4	0	7.50	.250
Shane Prance	1	1	0	11.0	2.46	6	12	1.27	.186
Anthony Spangler	1	0	1	12.0	3.00	5	15	1.33	.250
Casey Young	3	1	0	27.0	3.00	17	19	1.37	.198
Dan Snyder	3	2	0	41.0	3.51	26	30	1.54	.240
Chad Mateja	2	3	0	46.2	4.44	24	50	1.50	.250
Justin Stowe	0	4	0	30.0	5.70	16	18	1.57	.240
Bobby Humphreys	0	2	1	14.0	5.79	4	8	1.64	.292
Jake Lefebvre	0	0	0	8.1	7.56	5	8	2.28	.341
Jermone Burton	1	1	0	11.2	7.71	12	6	2.14	.277
Spencer Sutton	0	0	1	5.1	8.44	7	2	2.25	.250
Jim Catanzarite	0	1	0	8.2	9.35	5	6	2.42	.390
Jake Povlock	1	2	0	18.1	12.76	8	5	2.56	.402
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	13	18	1	242.1	5.39	144	187	1.70	.268