



# Northwest Indiana Oilmen 2018 Game Notes

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WEDNESDAY'S GAME:  
Joliet Generals (14-20)  
at NWI Oilmen (22-18)

GAME  
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July 25 - 7:10 p.m. (CT) - Whiting, Ind.  
Oil City Stadium  
Broadcast: Facebook Live



## 2018 Schedule

5/28	@ Crestwood Panthers	W 15-4
5/29	@ Bloomington Bobcats	L 5-0
6/1	@ Southland Vikings	L 7-1
6/2	@ Joliet Generals	L 14-12
6/3	@ Bloomington Bobcats	L 12-7
6/5	DUPAGE COUNTY HOUNDS	L 10-4
6/6	CRESTWOOD PANTHERS	W 13-4
6/7	SOUTHLAND VIKINGS	L 13-10
6/8	JOLIET GENERALS	L 16-11
6/9	BLOOMINGTON BOBCATS	W 13-4
6/12	@ Crestwood Panthers	W 7-6
6/13	@ Southland Vikings	L 6-0
6/14	JOLIET GENERALS	W 8-4
6/15	BLOOMINGTON BOBCATS	W 11-5
6/16	DUPAGE COUNTY HOUNDS	W 11-3
6/17	CRESTWOOD PANTHERS	W 8-0
6/17	CRESTWOOD PANTHERS	W 6-5
6/20	@ Joliet Generals	W 13-9
6/23	CRESTWOOD PANTHERS	W 8-2
6/24	SOUTHLAND VIKINGS	W 9-3
6/27	BLOOMINGTON BOBCATS	L 8-0
6/28	DUPAGE COUNTY HOUNDS	L 5-2
6/29	CRESTWOOD PANTHERS	W 8-6
6/30	SOUTHLAND VIKINGS	W 5-4
7/1	JOLIET GENERALS (DH)	W 3-2
7/1	JOLIET GENERALS (DH)	W 5-2
7/2	DUPAGE COUNTY HOUNDS	L 13-5
7/3	@ Bloomington Bobcats (DH)	L 10-8
7/3	@ Bloomington Bobcats (DH)	L 13-3
7/6	SOUTHLAND VIKINGS	W 4-3
7/7	JOLIET GENERALS	L 9-5
7/8	BLOOMINGTON BOBCATS	L 8-0
7/8	BLOOMINGTON BOBCATS	W 6-5
7/10	@ Joliet Generals	L 9-8
7/11	@ Bloomington Bobcats	W 7-5
7/12	@ Southland Vikings	W 20-3
7/13	DUPAGE COUNTY HOUNDS	W 4-3
7/14	MCL All-Star Game#	----
7/16	@ DuPage County Hounds	L 7-0
7/23	DUPAGE COUNTY HOUNDS	W 14-5
7/24	SOUTHLAND VIKINGS	L 15-4
7/25	JOLIET GENERALS	7:10 p.m.
7/26	@ DuPage County Hounds	5 p.m.
7/27	@ DuPage County Hounds	5 p.m.
7/28	@ Crestwood Panthers	Noon
7/29	@ DuPage County Hounds	1 p.m.
7/31-8/5	MCL Playoffs	TBD

ALL CAPS = Home Games, Played at Oil City Stadium

# = special event, hosted at Oil City Stadium

### For Starters

The Northwest Indiana Oilmen will look to bounce back after a 15-4 setback that saw Southland score 12 runs over the final three innings on Tuesday. The 22 hits for the Vikings equaled the most allowed by the Oilmen in franchise history, matching a mark reached most recently in 2014. The Oilmen are four games above .500 with five to play, so they need one more win to clinch their seventh straight winning season. Wednesday marks the final home game of the regular season as the Oilmen attempt to exit Oil City Stadium on a high note. They will be back for at least one playoff game next week. This season, the Oilmen are 17-9 in home contests. The Oilmen have won three straight home finales dating back to 2014 and are 5-1 all-time in the final home game of the regular season.

### Inside the Oilmen

Alex Voss gets the ball on Wednesday as he makes his seventh pitching appearance of the summer. The Northwest Indiana right-hander is 3-0, mostly recently pitching the Oilmen to a lopsided win over the Vikings on July 12. This will mark his first outing against Joliet. Voss, an MCL All-Star, owns a sparkling 1.40 ERA while walking four and striking out 17 in 25 2/3 innings of work. A bright spot on Tuesday was Tyler Kenjic, who extended his hitting streak to five games with his third multi-hit output of the year. Jake Plastiak saw his seven-game hitting streak come to an end, but he reached base safely for the 19th consecutive game. The last time Plastiak played and did not reach base was June 17 against Crestwood.

### Inside the Generals

Jordan Baker, the younger brother of NWI's Chris Baker, will start on the mound on Wednesday night. The Generals are still in the playoff hunt, but need to finish strong and hope for help out of the teams playing the Bobcats, as they trail Bloomington by just two games for the final playoff spot. After Wednesday, the Generals play Southland for three of the final five games and a doubleheader against Bloomington for the other two. The Saturday doubleheader represents a potential two-game swing in the standings. Joliet's most recent games were on Sunday, a doubleheader split at Bloomington. The Bobcats won the second game 4-0 behind a complete game shutout by Quinn Gudaitis. Joliet managed only one hit, a single by Brendan Krob. Dangerous bats for the Generals include Jack Lombardi (.375), Josh Nowak (.357) and Jeremiah Lebron (.316).

### About the Matchup

This marks the ninth and final meeting of the year between the Oilmen and Generals. Joliet pulled out a 9-8 win at Wayne L. King Junior Field in the most recent meeting, evening the season series at four wins apiece. The season series hinges on Wednesday's meeting. The Oilmen have already lost the season series to Bloomington, split the season series with Southland and won the season series against Crestwood. The season sets against Joliet and DuPage County are still up in the air.

## NWI Oilmen Fast Facts

Founded/First Season.....2012  
 Location.....Whiting, Ind.  
 Owner.....Don Popravak (2012-present)  
 Address.....1500 119th Street (2nd Floor) Whiting, IN 46394  
 Phone.....219-659-1000  
 Website.....nwioilmen.com  
 Colors.....Black and Gold  
 Home Field (Capacity).....Oil City Stadium (1,500)  
 Stadium Address.....1700 119th Street, Whiting, IN 46394  
 Manager.....Adam Enright (2015-present)  
 All-Time Team Record.....202-125 (.618)  
 Playoff Appearances....2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017  
 Playoff Record.....11-9  
 MCL Championship Appearances.....2012, 2013, 2016  
 Midwest Collegiate League Titles.....2012, 2016

## Oilmen Broadcasting Network

Can't make it out to the game? Catch all the action this season with a live video stream available via Facebook Live. Brandon Vickrey is back for another season as the team's play-by-play broadcaster. This year, he'll be joined by Sam Michel (home games) and Dan Harty (road games). Be sure to "like" the Northwest Indiana Oilmen on Facebook and follow along all summer long to check out live action from Oil City Stadium.

## Midwest Collegiate League Scoreboard

<b>MONDAY:</b> Oilmen 14, Hounds 5	<b>TUESDAY:</b> Panthers at Generals, ccd Hounds 8, Bobcats 5 Vikings 15, Oilmen 4
<b>WEDNESDAY:</b> Bobcats at Vikings, 5 p.m. Panthers at Hounds, 5 p.m. Generals at Oilmen, 7:10 p.m.	<b>THURSDAY:</b> Vikings at Generals, 5 p.m. Oilmen at Hounds, 5 p.m. Panthers at Bobcats, 6 p.m.

## Midwest Collegiate League Standings

TEAM	W	L	%	GB	STR
DC Hounds X	29	12	.707	---	W1
Southland Vikings X	20	12	.625	4.5	W1
NWI Oilmen	22	18	.550	6.5	L1
Bloomington Bobcats	19	21	.475	9.5	L1
Joliet Generals	14	20	.412	11.5	L1
Crestwood Panthers E	6	27	.182	19	L1

X= Clinched Playoff Berth

Y= Clinched Home Field Advantage in First Round

E= Eliminated from Playoff Contention

# 2018 Northwest Indiana Oilmen Roster

## PITCHERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
3	Connor Spear	R/R	5-10	175	UW Whitewater	Highland, Ind.
14	Anthony Robles	L/L	6-1	195	College of DuPage	Oak Lawn, Ill.
17	Bobby Nowak	R/R	6-4	180	Kankakee CC	Cedar Lake, Ind.
18	Max Franklin	R/R	6-3	190	Heartland	Chicago Heights, Ill.
26	Brendan Kelly	R/R	6-0	190	Purdue Northwest	Grandville, Mich.
28	Andrew Hancock	R/R	6-6	190	Evansville	New Lenox, Ill.
30	Alex Voss	R/R	6-4	185	Butler	South Bend, Ind.
31	Pedro Rodriguez	R/R	6-0	220	Tusculum	Kissimmee, Fla.
32	Sawyer Allen	L/L	6-0	180	Hillsdale College	Fair Oaks, Ind.
33	Nick Wolf	R/R	6-5	220	McHenry County	Valparaiso, Ind.
37	George Sherman	L/L	6-3	245	Dominican	Skokie, Ill.
42	Chad Patrick	R/R	6-1	180	Purdue Northwest	Hebron, Ind.
45	Christian Howell	R/R	6-1	165	Trinity Christian	Aurora, Ill.

## CATCHERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
12	Hunter Thorn	R/R	5-11	180	Purdue Northwest	Portage, Ind.
19	Jake Perreira	R/R	5-9	210	University of Indianapolis	Grant Park, Ill.
23	Nate Montgomery	R/R	6-1	200	Tusculum	Geneva, Ill.

## OUTFIELDERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
1	Nick Figus	R/R	5-11	175	Illinois Wesleyan	Frankfort, Ill.
8	Cory Krolikowski	L/R	5-8	190	Minnesota Duluth	Bartlett, Ill.
24	Chris Baker	L/R	6-0	185	Trinity Christian	South Holland, Ill.
27	Amir Wright	L/L	5-10	185	St. Leo	Griffith, Ind.
29	Tom Kelley	R/R	6-1	210	Miami (OH)	Orland Park, Ill.
35	Zaid Walker	R/R	6-2	215	Michigan State	Flossmoor, Ill.

## INFIELDERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
9	Tommy Farrell	L/L	6-3	190	UIC	Chicago, Ill.
2	Jackson Dvorak	R/R	6-1	230	South Suburban	New Lenox, Ill.
7	Patrick Hayes	R/R	6-0	175	Illinois State	Chicago, Ill.
11	Tyler Kenjic	R/R	6-1	190	Purdue Northwest	Hobart, Ind.
16	CJ Deshazer	S/R	5-10	170	Heartland	Schaumburg, Ill.
21	Brandon Petkoff	L/R	6-3	185	Texas A&M Corpus Cristi	Frankfort, Ill.
22	Brendan Butler	R/R	6-0	190	Upper Iowa	Oak Lawn, Ill.
41	Jake Plastiak	S/R	6-3	200	Wichita State	Tinley Park, Ill.
43	Eric Yachinich	R/R	6-0	200	Minnesota Duluth	Ashland, Wis.

Manager - Adam Enright | Assistant Coaches - Matt Vitulli, Frank Podkul

# 2018 Joliet Generals

## PITCHERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
3	Mitchell Schroll	L/L	5-8	155	Benedictine	Inverness, Ill.
4	Joe Santos	L/L	6-0	165	Vincennes	Hobart, Ind.
5	Ryan Czajkowski	R/R	5-7	165	Moraine Valley CC	Summit, Ill.
6	Alex Herbst	R/R	6-0	175	Trinity College	Clarendon Hills, Ill.
12	Jordan Baker	L/R	5-10	185	McKendree	Chicago Heights, Ill.
16	Jacob Diaz	R/R	5-10	205	Moraine Valley CC	Oak Lawn, Ill.
17	Brock Budzielek	R/R	6-0	150	Calumet College	Hobart, Ind.
18	Mike Santerelli	R/R	6-1	200	Benedictine	Homer Glen, Ill.
25	Carter Lawler	L/R	6-2	180	Illinois Springfield	Hampshire, Ill.
31	Logan DeWulf	R/R	6-0	160	Upper Iowa	Huntley, Ill.

## CATCHERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
1	Josh Nowak	L/R	5-7	165	Arkansas Little Rock	Palos Hills, Ill.
8	Brendan Krob	R/R	5-10	195	Evansville	Justin, Ill.
14	Freddie March	R/R	6-0	215	Elmhurst College	Itasca, Ill.
28	Jack Kraus	R/R	6-1	225	Milwaukee	Neenah, Wis.

## INFIELDERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
7	Bryce Cross	R/R	6-0	185	Milwaukee	Greenville, Wis.
10	Harrison Hayes	R/R	6-3	210	Santa Clara	Western Springs, Ill.
13	Braden Menini	R/R	6-0	190	Calvin College	St. Charles, Ill.
15	Tyler Woynerowski	R/R	6-2	215	Benedictine	Burbank, Ill.
19	Jimmy Day	R/R0	6-0	205	Evansville	Barrington, Ill.
22	Ranko Stevanovic	R/R	6-1	220	Triton College	Chicago, Ill.
27	Brett Stratinsky	L/R	6-4	210	Middle Tennessee State	Palos Hills, Ill.

## OUTFIELDERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
2	Scott Wojcik	R/R	5-7	150	Aurora	Sleepy Hollow, Ill.
9	Joe Scaffidi	L/L	5-9	185	Milwaukee	New Berlin, Wis.
11	Thomas Larson	R/R	6-1	190	Oliver Nazerene	Joliet, Ill.
21	Matt Rosko	L/R	6-2	185	Benedictine	Sugar Grove, Ill.
23	Ben Jung	R/R	5-8	165	Wisconsin-Oshkosh	Downers Grove, Ill.
24	Jeremiah Lebron	R/R	6-1	250	Illinois	Bolingbrook, Ill.

Manager - Joe Hernandez