

Northwest Indiana Oilmen 2016 Game Notes

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FRIDAY'S GAME: Northwest Indiana Oilmen (26-20) at Bloomington Bobcats (18-22)

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July 29 - 5:30 p.m. - Bloomington, Ill. Radio: Online Only, NWIOilmen.com

Location: O'Neil Park

<u>For Starters</u>

With five games remaining in the regular season, the Oilmen control their own fate for the top spot in the Midwest Collegiate League. The Oilmen enter the day tied for second place with Joliet and two games behind DuPage County for the league lead. The Oilmen hit the road for all three games this weekend as Pierogi Fest will invade 119th Street beginning on Friday. Oil City Stadium will be used on Saturday for a performance by the Village People. The Oilmen and Hounds were scheduled to play a significant game in the league standings on Thursday, but that game was postponed due to rain and poor field conditions. The game will be made up on Monday at 7:20 p.m. at Oil City Stadium only if it is necessary for the league standings. The Oilmen will have a home playoff game on either Tuesday or Wednesday, depending on how the final weekend of the regular season plays out. The Bobcats clinched the season series against NWI on June 3 by winning the first four head-to-head meetings. Since then, the Oilmen have one back-to-back matchups 17-1 on June 16 and 7-3 on July 7. This will mark the first matchup between the two squads since July 7 and the final regular season meeting in 2016.

<u>Inside the Oilmen</u>

The Oilmen overcame five errors on Wednesday by racking up 17 hits in a 16-9 victory over the Lakers. Stefano Belmonte had three doubles and four hits to lead the way, his first three-double game in his 64-game Oilmen career. It was the fourth three-hit game of the year for Belmonte. Chris Baker drew two walks on Wednesday to boost his season total to 30, matching the franchise record set by Jack Czeszewski. Baker went 3-for-3 and reached base five times, notching his fifth game this season with three hits or more. Catcher Zack Forney posted his first three-hit performance of the summer. Tyler Sroczynski has four straight multi-hit games and is hitting .500 with nine RBIs during that stretch. He now leads the team and ranks second in the league with 31 RBIs despite hitting leadoff and is within six of Nick Bartolone's franchise record. Richard Yelnick will get the nod for the Oilmen on Friday for his 10th game and eighth start of the season. He holds a 2-2 record and 2.13 ERA with 13 walks and 32 strikeouts in 38 innings. Yelnick has faced the Bobcats once this year, a win with six shutout innings of there-hit, eight-strikeout baseball on June 16. His most recent outing was four shutout innings in relief on July 24 against Joliet. Trinity Christian infielder Kyle VanKalker will be available for Friday's game as a temporary player after playing 10 games with the Oilmen last season.

Inside the Bobcats

The Bobcats prevailed 6-1 in Game 1 of a doubleheader against the Vikings on Thursday, but the second game was rained out with the score tied at one in the third inning. The Bobcats and Vikings will make up the second game on Sunday, if necessary for the league standings. The win was a significant one for the Bobcats, who now lead the Vikings by two games for the final playoff spot. They have split the eight head-to-head meetings down the middle, so the potential makeup game would also dictate the head-to-head tiebreaker between the Oilmen and Bobcats for the final playoff spot. However, the Bobcats can clinch the fourth and final playoff spot with a win over the Oilmen on Friday or an Oilmen victory in either game of a doubleheader against the Vikings on Saturday.

2016 Schedule

E/27	@ Bloomington Bobcats	L 3-0
5/27 5/28		L 9-3
5/28	@ DuPage County Hounds	
5/29	@ Joliet Admirals (DH)	L 9-7
5/29	@Joliet Admirals (DH)	W 7-5
6/2	@ Bloomington Bobcats (DH)	
6/2	@ Bloomington Bobcats (DH)	
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
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	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)	
7/6	@ Michigan City Lakers (DH)	W 6-1
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)	L 4-3
7/21	SOUTHLAND VIKINGS	W 6-2
7/22	DUPAGE COUNTY HOUNDS	L 5-3
7/24	JOLIET ADMIRALS	W 6-3
7/26	@ Joliet Admirals	L 8-4
7/27	MICHIGAN CITY LAKERS	W 16-9
7/29	@ Bloomington Bobcats	5:30 p.m.
7/30	@ Southland Vikings (DH)	1 p.m.
7/30	@ Southland Vikings (DH)	3:30 p.m.
7/31	@ Joliet Admirals	1 p.m.
8/1	DUPAGE COUNTY HOUNDS	7:20 p.m.
8/2-8/4	MCL Semifinal Series	TBD
8/5-/8/7		TBD
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NWI Oilmen Fast Facts
Founded/First Season
OwnerDon Popravak (2012-present) Address1500 119th Street (2nd Floor) Whiting, IN 46394
Phone
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 Record142-88, 126-84 in MCL Games
Home Record
Road Record49-40 Playoff Appearances2012, 2013, 2014, 2015
Playoff Record7-6
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:
Hounds 4, Bobcats 3	Bobcats 6, Vikings 1
Vikings 5, Admirals 4	Admirals 9, Lakers 0
Oilmen 16, Lakers 9	Hounds at Oilmen, ppd.
FRIDAY:	SATURDAY:
Hounds at Admirals (DH), 1 p.m.	Oilmen at Vikings (DH), 1 p.m.
Oilmen at Bobcats, 5:30 p.m.	

Midwest Collegiate League Standings

TEAM	W	L	%	GB	STR
x DC Hounds	28	18	.609		W5
x NWI Oilmen	26	20	.565	2	L1
x Joliet Admirals	25	19	.568	2	W1
Bloomington Bobcats	18	22	.450	7	W1
Southland Vikings	18	16	.409	9	L1
e Lakers	17	27	.386	10	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	В/Т	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	В/Т	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.
15	Marshawn Taylor	L/R	5-10	150	Grambling State	Chicago, 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.

2016 Bloomington Bobcats

PITCHERS

#	NAME	В/Т	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
1	Kody Silverthorn	R/R	5-9	145	Parkland	Eureka, Ill.
6	Kevin Malisheski	R/R	6-3	190	Illinois State	Wauconda, Ill.
24	Mitch Weis	R/R	6-4	210	Illinois State	Ballwin, Mo.
26	Sean Coonan	R/R	5-8	200	Illinois Wesleyan	Bloomington, Ill.
28	Blade Matthews	R/R	5-11	190	Lincoln Land	Olympia, Ill.
29	Nick Brune	R/R	6-1	195	Illinois Wesleyan	Mundelein, Ill.
30	Tim Smyk	R/R	6-2	220	Illinois Wesleyan	Morris, Ill.
32	Bubba Henry	R/R	6-6	250	Illinois Wesleyan	Morris, Ill.
	Nick Huskisson	R/L	5-11	170	Illinois Wesleyan	St. Charles, Ill.
	Nick Alvorado	R/R	6-7	230	Illinois State	Grain Valley, Mo.
	Travis Auer	R/R	5-11	180	Heartland	Normal, Ill.

CATCHERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
21	Pat Mollo	R/R	6-1	235	Illinois Wesleyan	Naperville, Ill.
27	Kurtis Minton	R/R	6-0	160	Olivet Nazarene	Decatur, Ill.

INFIELDERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
2	Nick Mosele	R/R	5-8	160	Augustana	Bloomington, Ill.
4	Nick Brunson	R/R	5-11	175	Kaskaskia	Champaign, Ill.
10	Jonathan Broadbear	R/R	6-2	185	Illinois Wesleyan	Bloomington, Ill.
17	Gino Cavalieri	R/R	6-0	170	Illinois Wesleyan	Western Springs, Ill.
27	Ryan Bouwman	L/R	6-0	195	Central	Bloomington, Ill.
	Troy Cantu	R/R	5-7	155	University of Illinois Springfield	Huntley, Ill.

OUTFIELDERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
1	Addision Fuigitt					
8	Cody Rogers	R/R	5-11	185	Illinois Wesleyan	Bloomington, Ill.
15	Garrett Shea	R/L	6-1	185	Illinois Wesleyan	Decatur, Ill.
19	Ryan Scott	R/R	6-1	185	North Central	Normal, Ill.
31	Grant Anderson	R/R	6-2	105	McKendree	Mackinaw, Ill.
	Luke McCaw	R/R	5-10	180	North Central	Normal, Ill.

Manager - Joe Kelch | Assistant Coach - Clint Stroud

2016 Northwest Indiana Oilmen Stats

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HITTING STATS

NAME	AVG	AB	HITS	HR	RBI	R	SLG	ОВР	2B
DJ Budde	1.000	2	2	0	2	0	1.000	1.000	0
Stefano Belmonte	.398	113	45	1	25	27	.496	.471	8
Chase Dawson	.388	103	40	0	18	29	.534	.488	7
Tyler Sroczynski	.357	129	46	7	31	52	.651	.455	11
Tommy Szczasny	.347	118	41	2	30	25	.500	.433	8
Clay Keltner	.333	3	1	0	0	0	.333	.333	0
Chris Baker	.327	101	33	1	22	23	.426	.474	3
Zack Forney	.318	88	28	1	13	26	.420	.465	4
Chase Fieldhouse	.309	97	30	0	18	21	.361	.462	5
Jimmy Govern	.308	26	8	0	10	5	.385	.387	2
Jordan Flint	.298	114	34	0	16	24	.360	.391	5
Brad Bohlen	.289	38	11	0	9	1	.368	.357	3
Cory Krolikowski	.284	74	21	0	9	12	.351	.384	3
Zack Jones	.273	11	3	0	6	3	.364	.385	1
Marshawn Taylor	.260	77	20	0	11	14	.325	.326	5
Sam Geraci	.250	4	1	0	1	0	.250	.250	0
Alex Nisle	.247	93	23	0	16	18	.290	.408	4
Josh Mutter	.245	53	13	0	8	8	.283	.355	2
Bo Fletcher	.217	69	15	0	4	12	.232	.270	1
Blake Cleveland	.204	49	10	0	4	3	.204	.361	0
Josh Fewell	.203	59	12	1	9	7	.288	.338	2
Jake Perreira	.198	96	19	2	18	13	.323	.313	5
Jordan Petty	.000	1	0	0	0	0	.000	.000	0
Reggie Johnson	.000	3	0	0	0	0	.000	.000	0
TEAM STATS	.300	1521	456	15	280	323	.400	.410	80

PITCHING STATS

NAME	W	L	S	IP	ERA	ВВ	K	WHIP	BAA
Hunter Clark	1	1	2	24.0	0.75	20	22	1.42	.163
Braden Niksich	0	1	2	18.1	0.98	13	14	1.31	.175
Jordan Petty	4	0	1	29.0	1.86	12	25	1.35	.239
Richard Yelnick	2	2	1	38.0	2.13	13	32	1.24	.234
James Whiteman	0	1	2	13.2	2.63	9	17	1.83	.271
Christian Howell	5	1	0	50.2	2.66	25	36	1.30	.210
Sam Geraci	5	0	0	33.1	2.97	6	20	1.08	.229
Max Siedecki	2	2	0	44.0	3.68	18	27	1.50	.267
Clay Keltner	3	3	0	42.2	3.80	14	32	1.45	.277
Luke Jaksich	4	0	0	35.1	3.82	27	35	1.61	.211
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	26	20	7	386.0	3.29	20	301	1.51	.245

BLOOMINGTON BOBCATS STATS

HITTING STATS

NAME	AVG	AB	HITS	HR	RBI	R	SLG	ОВР	2B
Matt Rave	.500	2	1	0	1	1	1.000	.667	1
Jack Butler	.364	11	4	0	1	2	.364	.364	0
Ryan Bowman	.333	6	2	0	0	0	.333	.500	0
Luke McCaw	.300	30	9	0	4	3	.367	.400	2
Grant Anderson	.283	113	32	0	10	18	.398	.404	13
Nick Brunson	.283	127	36	0	13	25	.386	.399	9
Cody Rogers	.276	98	27	0	9	13	.306	.345	3
Jonathan Broadbear	.267	60	16	0	9	10	.283	.397	0
Kurtis Minton	.263	80	21	0	12	6	.313	.392	2
Geno Cavalleiri	.259	27	7	0	5	4	.370	.331	1
Pat Mollo	.259	108	28	0	15	10	.324	.352	5
Ryan Scott	.259	112	29	0	12	12	.286	.346	3
Garrett Shea	.225	111	25	0	18	16	.306	.313	9
Nick Green	.211	83	19	0	8	18	.278	.311	4
Nick Mosele	.182	77	14	0	4	7	.182	.297	2
Tim Smyk	.182	66	12	0	5	7	.182	.217	0
TEAM STATS	.248	1166	289	0	127	180	.307	.347	57

PITCHING STATS

NAME	W	L	S	IP	ERA	ВВ	K	WHIP	BAA
Clint Stroud	1	0	0	6.0	0.00	0	2	0.50	.115
Zach Frey	1	0	0	3.0	0.00	0	6	0.00	.000
Ben Rashid	0	0	0	4.1	2.08	2	3	2.31	.364
Dalton Hottle	2	0	0	17.1	2.08	3	15	0.98	.326
Matt Banaitis	0	0	0	4.0	2.25	2	2	1.50	.267
Mitch Weis	2	3	0	54.2	2.31	13	57	0.92	.210
Bubba Henry	0	0	2	32.0	3.38	4	23	1.31	.286
Jacob Gilhaus	0	1	0	5.0	3.60	0	5	0.80	.200
Kevin Malsheski	1	0	0	5.0	3.60	3	5	1.00	.118
Jackson Bronke	0	1	0	7.1	3.68	5	10	1.09	.120
Kody Silverthorn	0	1	3	12.0	3.75	6	13	1.67	.292
Blade Matthews	0	2	2	31.2	4.26	11	7	1.23	.228
Garrett Shea	0	0	0	3.2	4.91	4	2	2.73	.353
Nick Brune	4	4	0	45.1	5.16	13	28	1.59	.309
Lucas Hall	0	3	0	15.2	5.75	7	12	2.49	.395
Grant Anderson	0	0	0	4.2	5.79	2	3	1.71	.500
Mike Sheppard	0	0	0	3.0	6.00	0	4	1.00	.250
Sean Coonan	1	3	0	22.1	6.05	12	10	2.19	.381
Tim Smyk	2	0	0	7.1	6.14	4	8	1.50	.241
Nick Alvarado	1	0	0	4.0	15.75	7	2	3.25	.857
TEAM STATS	17	19	7	297.0	4.24	108	224	1.47	.284