

Northwest Indiana Oilmen 2016 Game Notes

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WEDNESDAY'S GAME: Northwest Indiana Oilmen (1-0) at Joliet Admirals (0-1)

GAME 2

Aug. 3 - 7:20 p.m. (CT) - Whiting, Ind. Radio: AM 1230 WJOB, 104.7 FM

Internet: NWIOilmen.com, wjob1230.com



For Starters

For the first time since the first round in 2013, the Northwest Indiana Oilmen have won Game 1 of a postseason series. They used a balanced offensive attack with seven different players recording hits and benefited from four Joliet errors in Tuesday's 7-1 win at Wayne L. King Junior Field. With a win on Wednesday, the Oilmen can win a playoff series and clinch a spot in the MCL Championship for the first time since 2013. The Oilmen are 3-for-3 in closing out series in Game 2 after winning Game 1 in franchise history. They've gone on to lose the series all three times they've dropped Game 1. The last time the Oilmen clinched a spot in the MCL Finals was July 31, 2013, a 17-9 win over the Lexington Snipes. The Oilmen have lost four straight home playoff games dating back to a win over the Snipes on July 30, 2013.

Inside the Oilmen

Oilmen starting pitcher Jordan Petty has an opportunity to become the first hurler since Joe Cochran in 2013 to pick up a playoff series clinching victory for the Oilmen. Cochran's win came in unconventional fashion as he allowed seven runs (six earned) on 12 hits in five innings but was still the winning pitching in the rout of the Snipes. Speaking of unconventional, Petty's rise to the front of the Oilmen starting staff has been the biggest surprise of the season for the Oilmen. Petty was tabbed for middle relief duties before the season, seemingly ranking behind at least seven pitchers on the starting depth chart. However, Oilmen manager Adam Enright saw something he liked in the lefty reliever and decided to give him a spot start on July 7 in Bloomington. Petty delivered the most dominant pitching performance of the Oilmen season, racking up 10 strikeouts and allowing just three hits over eight scoreless innings. From there, he never left the Oilmen rotation and is now the team's No. 2 starter. He has an 0.47 ERA in three starts this season. Overall, Petty was 3-0 with a 1.80 ERA, 12 walks and 27 strikeouts in 30 innings of work during the regular season. He started against the Admirals on July 24 and allowed three runs (all unearned) on seven hits in five innings to get the win. He also pitched a scoreless inning of relief on Sunday in Joliet, throwing just 12 pitches. Braden Niksich, who worked a shutout frame out of the bullpen on Tuesday, finished the regular season with 13 $\frac{1}{2}$ consecutive innings without allowing an earned run and 8 1/3 innings without allowing any run. He has not given up an earned tally since June 16.

Inside the Admirals

The Admirals find themselves with their backs against the wall as they look to avoid a first-round playoff exit for the second straight year. Joliet won the first game of last year's series with DuPage County, but then coughed up a late lead in the second game and incurred a blowout defeat in the series finale. The Admirals are the only team in MCL history to win the first game of a playoff series and then go on to lose the series. Joliet was hurt by four errors leading to four unearned runs in Tuesday's loss. Starting pitcher Tom Jeffries went 3-2 with a 4.73 ERA while striking out 25 and issuing 25 walks over 45 2/3 innings during the regular season. He has not pitched against the Oilmen all season. The Oilmen won this year's regular season series 6-5 and went 4-2 at home against the Admirals. The Oilmen are 28-10 all-time against the Rockford/Joliet franchise.

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)	
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
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
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)	W 11-2
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	L 3-2.
7/31	@ Joliet Admirals	L 12-10
8/2	@ Joliet Admirals	W 7-1
8/3	JOLIET ADMIRALS	7:20 p.m.
8/4	@Joliet Admirals (if nec.)	5 p.m.
	*- denotes exhibition game	
	CAPS- denotes home games	

NWI Oilmen Fast Facts
Founded/First Season2012
LocationWhiting, Ind.
OwnerDon Popravak (2012-present)
Address1500 119th Street (2nd Floor) Whiting, IN 46394
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 Record143-90, 127-86 in MCL Games
Home Record 94-47
Road Record50-42
Playoff Appearances2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016
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

TUESDAY (MCL Playoffs):	WEDNESDAY (MCL Playoffs):
Hounds 5, Bobcats 1	Hounds at Bobcats, 6:15 p.m. (Game 2)
Oilmen 7, Admirals 1	Admirals at Oilmen, 7:20 p.m. (Game 2)
THURSDAY (MCL Playoffs):	FRIDAY (MCL Playoffs):
Bobcats at Hounds, 5 p.m. (Game 3 if nec.)	MCL Championship Series (Game 1), Time TBD
Oilmen at Admirals, 5 p.m. (Game 3 if nec.)	

Midwest Collegiate League Standings

TEAM	W	L	%	GB	STR
y DC Hounds	29	19	.604		L1
y Joliet Admirals	27	20	.574	1.5	W2
x NWI Oilmen	26	22	.542	3	L2
x Bloomington Bobcats	19	22	.463	6.5	W2
e Southland Vikings	18	26	.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	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.
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 Admirals

#	NAME	Position	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
1	Brendon Krob	C/OF	R/R	5-10	180	Evansville	Joliet, Ill.
2	Matt Flummerfelt	RHP/SS	R/R	5-11	160	Northern Illinois	Ames, Iowa
3	Cody Grosse	INF	R/L	5-7	140	Chicago State	Joliet, Ill.
4	Owen Pulver	RHP	R/R	6-7	190	Millikin	Dwight, Ill.
5	Joe Davi	RHP	R/R	6-0	165	Millikin	New Lenox, Ill.
6	Andrew Stone	INF	L/R	6-0	160	Western Michigan	Portage, Mich.
7	Adam Zuk	RHP	R/R	6-0	175	Millikin	Plainfield, Ill.
8	Jackson Fischer	RHP	R/R	6-2	160	Carthage	Westmont, Ill.
9	Kyle Khoury	C/OF	R/R	6-0	180	Morehead State	St. Charles, Ill.
10	Kenny King	C/OF	R/R	6-3	210	Southern Illinios	Orland Park, Ill.
11	Jackson Dvorak	1B/OF	R/R	6-2	209	South Suburban	New Lenox, Ill.
12	Brenden Brundage	OF/RHP	R/R	6-1	165	USC Upstate	Coconut Creek, Fla.
13	Tom Cheshareck	RHP	L/R	6-2	190	Illinois State	Morris, Ill.
14	Satchel Daleo	OF/INF	R/R	6-2	185	Wooster	Davis Junction, Ill.
15	Tom Jeffries	RHP	R/R	6-5	220	Joliet JC / St. Francis	Mokena, Ill.
16	Rob Talarico	LHP	L/L	6-0	165	Lewis University	Joliet, Ill.
17	Ryan Schefske	INF	R/R	5-11	155	Lewis University	Lombard, Ill.
18	Dakota Farthing	LHP	L/L	5-11	160	Rend Lake College	McLeansboro, Ill.
19	Brandon Popp	LHP	L/L	5-11	170	Oakton CC	Roselle, Ill.
20	Matt Butler	RHP	R/R	6-0	180	St. Cloud St.	Naperville, Ill.
21	Jimmy Roche	INF	R/R	5-10	175	Western Michigan	Orland Park, Ill.
22	Tyler Swiggart	RHP	R/R	6-5	195	George Washington	Wall, N.J.
23	Jordan Miller	C/OF/1B	R/R	6-1	205	USC Upstate	Winter Springs, Fla.
24	Seth Rosenberg	RHP	L/R	6-1	200	Northern Kentucky	Niles, Ill.
25	Jack Howard	LHP	L/L	6-1	220	Carthage	Joliet, Ill.

Manager - Tom Barry

2016 Northwest Indiana Oilmen Final Regular Season Stats

HITTING STATS

NAME	AVG	AB	HITS	HR	RBI	R	SLG	OBP	2B
DJ Budde	1.000	2	2	0	2	0	1.000	1.000	0
Stefano Belmonte	.402	117	47	1	27	29	.504	.479	9
Chase Dawson	.369	111	41	0	20	30	.505	.470	7
Tyler Sroczynski	.356	135	48	7	32	53	.644	.457	12
Tommy Szczasny	.341	123	42	2	31	26	.504	.425	8
Clay Keltner	.333	3	1	0	0	0	.333	.333	0
Chris Baker	.324	105	34	1	23	24	.419	.47	3
Zack Forney	.322	90	29	1	13	26	.422	.470	4
Chase Fieldhouse	.309	97	30	0	18	21	.361	.462	5
Jimmy Govern	.308	26	8	0	10	5	.385	.387	2
Brad Bohlen	.289	38	11	0	9	1	.368	.357	3
Cory Krolikowski	.289	76	22	0	12	13	.368	.386	4
Jordan Flint	.281	121	34	0	16	26	.339	.380	5
Zack Jones	.273	11	3	0	6	3	.364	.385	1
Marshawn Taylor	.260	77	20	0	11	14	.325	.326	5
Alex Nisle	.250	96	24	0	16	18	.292	.407	4
Josh Mutter	.250	56	14	0	9	8	.286	.364	2
Bo Fletcher	.217	69	15	0	4	12	.232	.270	1
Josh Fewell	.203	59	12	1	9	7	.288	.338	2
Jake Perreira	.200	100	20	2	18	15	.330	.317	7
Blake Cleveland	.192	52	10	0	4	3	.192	.344	0
Sam Geraci	.167	6	1	0	2	1	.167	.286	0
Jordan Petty	.000	1	0	0	0	0	.000	.000	0
Reggie Johnson	.000	3	0	0	0	0	.000	.000	0
Kyle Van Kalker	.000	2	0	0	0	0	.000	.333	0
Richard Yelnick	.000	2	0	0	0	0	.000	.000	0
TEAM STATS	.296	1581	468	15	292	335	.397	.408	84

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	19.1	0.93	14	14	1.35	.185
Jordan Petty	4	0	1	30.0	1.80	12	27	1.37	.250
Richard Yelnick	2	3	1	44.0	2.05	15	34	1.26	.235
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	47.0	3.64	19	27	1.45	.261
Jay Gutierrez	0	0	0	11.0	4.09	6	5	1.91	.306
Clay Keltner	3	3	0	44.2	4.63	16	34	1.52	.291
Luke Jaksich	4	1	0	36.1	5.20	29	35	1.73	.234
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	22	7	400.0	3.47	214	307	1.53	.252

2016 JOLIET ADMIRALS FINAL REGULAR SEASON STATS

HITTING STATS

NAME	AVG	AB	HITS	HR	RBI	R	SLG	OBP	2B
Kenny King	.397	63	25	0	10	15	.524	.485	6
Cody Grosse	.394	132	52	0	22	43	.492	.487	5
Jermaine Terry	.357	14	5	0	2	5	.429	.450	1
Andrew Stone	.344	90	31	0	12	19	.367	.474	2
Brendan Brundage	.335	161	54	0	33	35	.391	.400	7
Jordan Miller	.327	156	51	0	31	33	.436	.416	13
Brendan Krob	.318	132	42	2	33	22	.485	.419	12
Ryan Schefske	.292	113	33	0	16	26	.319	.448	1
Jackson Dvorak	.284	81	23	0	9	11	.346	.396	5
Jimmy Roche	.219	32	7	0	3	7	.313	.286	0
Kyle Khoury	.219	114	25	1	14	18	.289	.336	1
Jack Howard	.190	21	4	0	4	2	.190	.308	0
Satchel Daleo	.184	125	23	0	13	17	.200	.250	2
Matt Flummerfelt	.186	106	19	0	9	15	.208	.264	3
Rob Talarico	.158	19	3	0	3	2	.158	.273	0
TEAM STATS	.290	1400	406	3	221	312	.361	.394	62

PITCHING STATS

NAME	W	L	S	IP	ERA	BB	K	WHIP	BAA
Griffin McGuire	0	0	0	6.0	1.50	1	6	1.83	.323
Jordan Miller	0	1	7	16.2	2.16	7	15	1.20	.210
Tyler Swiggart	3	3	1	29.0	2.48	5	28	0.90	.231
Seth Rosenberg	3	3	0	44.0	3.48	14	38	1.36	.236
Rob Talarico	5	1	0	37.0	3.89	26	41	1.70	.270
Brandon Popp	2	4	0	40.1	4.46	18	7	1.79	.297
Adam Zuk	2	1	0	18.0	4.50	8	17	1.44	.250
Jackson Fischer	1	2	0	23.0	4.70	18	15	1.61	.209
Tom Jeffries	3	2	0	45.2	4.73	25	25	1.80	.303
Matt Butler	0	1	0	10.2	6.75	9	8	2.16	.333
Jack Howard	2	1	0	18.2	8.10	16	12	2.14	.353
Joe Davi	1	0	1	17.0	9.00	8	13	2.18	.345
Dakota Farthing	0	0	0	12.2	9.95	21	12	2.92	.340
Rich Bryza	0	0	0	6.0	10.50	4	4	2.50	.407
Nick Newman	1	0	0	13.0	11.77	9	9	2.15	.339
Tom Cheshareck	0	1	0	10.1	13.96	28	10	3.68	.270
TEAM STATS	23	20	8	351.0	5.20	218	262	1.76	.286