

Northwest Indiana Oilmen 2013 Game Notes

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2012 Midwest Collegiate League Champions

TONIGHT'S GAME:

Northwest Indiana Oilmen (20-10, 14-9) at Chicago Zephyrs (3-15)

July 17, 2013 • 5:00 p.m. (CT) • Sugar Grove, IL

Radio: none

Internet: nwioilmen.com (UStream)

OILMEN NEWS AND NOTES

Oilmen Drop Heartbreaker To Vikings

NWI led 3-1 in the middle innings, and then 4-3 after breaking through and taking the lead in the bottom of the eighth, but the Vikings mounted a comeback against closer Matt Pobereyko (3-1) and stunned the Oilmen 6-4 at Oil City Stadium on Tuesday.

Both starters- Kevin Hallberg for Southland and Jimmy McNamara for NWI- gave up three runs and took no-decisions. The Oilmen could not capitalize on Hallberg's wildness, leaving seven men on base in the five innings that the right-hander pitched despite drawing seven walks.

Anthony Bova finished 2-for-4, including the go-ahead RBI hit in the eighth when he beat out a slow grounder to second. Jack Czeszewski also had two hits for NWI, who finished 3-4 against their regional rivals this season. Dan Wetzel (1-0) got the win in relief for Southland.

First Roadie To Waubonsee

Tonight marks the first road game of the season for the Oilmen against the Chicago Zephyrs. It is also the first time out of five total times the teams will play each other in the next two weeks, including one doubleheader. NWI has had great success against the Zephyrs this season, winning both games at Oil City Stadium by a combined score of 17-1.

The Zephyrs play their home games at Waubonsee Community College in Sugar Grove, Illinois.

"Mr. Consistent" Returns

With his 2-for-5 performance against Southland, Jack Czeszewski has now reached base in 11 straight games, with at least one hit in eight of his last nine games played.

2013 Schedule

May 29	@ Michigan City*	L, 2-1
May 31	@ Michigan City*	W, 8-3 (6)
June 5	LEXINGTON	L, 5-3
June 6	SOUTHLAND	W, 7-6
June 7	CHICAGO	W, 8-1
June 8	@ DuPage County	W, 5-4
June 9	@ DuPage County	L, 9-5
June 11	ROCKFORD	W, 12-0
June 13	ROCKFORD	W, 12-2
June 14	CHICAGO	W, 9-0
June 16	MICHIGAN CITY*	W, 10-3
June 17	@ Southland	L, 10-7
June 18	SOUTHLAND	W, 5-4
June 19	LEXINGTON	W, 10-5
June 20	LEXINGTON	W, 10-3
June 21	@ DuPage County	W, 9-5 (10)
June 24	@ Michigan City*	W, 9-3 (10)
•	LEXINGTON	VV, 9-1 (4) L, 9-2
June 27	DUPAGE COUNTY	L, 9-2 L, 13-12 (15)
June 30	US MILITARY ALL-STARS*	W, 9-6
July 1 July 3	@ Michigan City*	W, 9-6 W, 3-2
July 6	@ Southland	vv, 3-2 L, 4-2
July 7	MICHIGAN CITY*	W, 1-0
July 9		W, 1-0 H 12, North 4
July 11	SOUTHLAND (make-up of 6/2)	W, 2-1
July 12	SOUTHLAND (make-up of 6/2)	L, 10-5
July 13	ROCKFORD (make-up of 6/28)	W, 7-6 (8)
July 13	ROCKFORD	W, 7-0 (8) W, 2-1 (7)
July 14	@ Lexington	L, 1-0
July 14	@ Lexington (make-up of 6/12)	W, 5-2
July 16	SOUTHLAND	L, 6-4
July 17	@ Chicago	5:00 p.m.
July 18	DUPAGE COUNTY (make-up of 6/29)	5:10 p.m.
July 10	DUPAGE COUNTY	7:10 p.m.
July 19	@ Chicago	5:00 p.m.
July 21	@ Chicago	12:00 p.m.
July 21	@ Chicago (make-up of 7/5)	2:30 p.m.
July 22	LEXINGTON (makeup of 5/30)	7:10 p.m.
July 23	ROCKFORD	5:10 p.m.
July 23	ROCKFORD (make-up of 6/15)	7:10 p.m.
July 24	MICHIGAN CITY*	7:10 p.m.
July 25	ROCKFORD	12:00 a.m.
July 26	@ Chicago	5:00 p.m.
July 28	@DuPage County	6:00 p.m.
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* - denotes exhibition game CAPS - denotes home game Italics - denotes US Military All-Star Game **Bold - denotes MCL All-Star Game**

Oilmen Quick Hits	
Founded/First Season	2012
Location	Whiting, Indiana
Owner	Don Popravak
General Manager	Jim Taipalus
Address1500 119th St. (2r	
Phone	(219) 659-1000
Website	www.nwioilmen.com
Colors	Black and Gold
Home Field (Capacity)	Oil City Stadium (1,300)
Stadium Address1700	119th St., Whiting, IN 46394
Manager (Year)	. ,
Record W/Team (League Record)	52-26 (46-25)
All-Time Record (League Play)	52-26 (46-25); 2 seasons
Home (League Play)	34-13 (31-13)
Road (League Play)	18-13 (15-12)
Playoff Appearances	2012
Playoff Record	4-0
Home	2-0
Road	2-0
League Titles	2012
2012 Record (Finish)	28-16 (2nd)
Longest Win Streak	6 (6/14-6/21/12)
Longest Losing Streak	8 (6/22-7/4/12)

NWI Oilmen Radio Network

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Midwest Collegiate League Scoreboard**

LAST NIGHT:

Southland Vikings 6, NWI Oilmen 4
DuPage County Hounds 6, Rockford Foresters 2

TOMORROW:

FRIDAY:

ERGUE

DuPage County Hounds @ NWI Oilmen (DOUBLEHEADER)

Rockford Foresters @ Lexington Snipes

TONIGHT:

NWI Oilmen @ Chicago ZephyrsLexington Snipes @ Southland Vikings

NWI Oilmen @ Chicago Zephyrs
DuPage County Hounds @ Southland Vikings

** = scoreboard for MCL games only

Midwest Collegiate League Standings

			٨	NCL		SEASON						
Team	W	L	%	GB	STR	L10	W	L	%	GB	STR	L10
DuPage County Hounds	17	6	0.739	-	5W	8-2	17	7	0.708	-	5W	8-2
Northwest Indiana Oilmen	14	9	0.609	3	1L	4-6	20	10	0.667	-	1L	6-4
Lexington Snipes	14	9	0.609	3	1L	5-5	14	9	0.609	2.5	1L	5-5
Southland Vikings	14	11	0.560	4	2W	6-4	14	11	0.560	3.5	2W	6-4
Rockford Foresters	3	15	0.167	11.5	4L	2-8	3	15	0.167	11	4L	2-8
Chicago Zephyrs	3	15	0.167	11.5	4L	2-8	3	15	0.167	11	4L	2-8

x = clinched playoff berth

y = clinched home field advantage

E = eliminated from playoff contention

2013 Northwest Indiana Oilmen Roster



<u>Pitchers</u>

#	Name	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	College	Class	Hometown
26	Joe Cochran	R/R	6-5	190	University of Akron	Sophomore	Tallmadge,OH
24	James Hinkleman	R/R	6-2	192	Triton College	Sophomore	Munster,IN
36	Scott Jerge	R/R	6-0	185	Valparaiso University	Freshman	Munster,IN
22	Nik Mason	R/R	6-1	200	Quincy University	Sophomore	Highland,IN
25	Jimmy McNamara	L/L	6-2	175	Central Michigan University	Freshman	Dyer,IN
21	Aveeno Nasiloski	R/R	6-3	205	Chicago State University	Sophomore	Hammond,IN
19	Danny Pobereyko	R/R	6-5	200	Bishop Noll HS	HS Senior	Munster,IN
42	Matt Pobereyko	R/R	6-1	239	Kentucky Wesleyan University	Junior	Munster,IN
33	Brett Schneider	R/R	6-2	200	Dominican College	Freshman	Coral Springs,FL
29	Michael Steensen	R/R	6-2	205	University of Akron	Freshman	Granville,OH
18	Andy Wellwerts	R/R	5-11	175	Chicago State University	Sophomore	Cedar Lake,IN

Catchers

#	Name	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	College	Class	Hometown
23	Tyler Baar	L/R	6-2	212	University of Toledo	Freshman	Jenison,MI
13	Ty Hogan	R/R	6-1	159	Western Kentucky University	Freshman	Naperville,IL
43	Chris Marras	R/R	6-0	200	Butler University	Freshman	Vernon Hills,IL

Infielders

#	Name	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	College	Class	Hometown
9	Craig Austgen	R/R	6-1	160	St. Josephs College	Junior	Lowell,IN
15	Leiff Clarkson	R/R	5-11	177	Western Kentucky University	Freshman	Union,KY
3	Joe Houlihan	R/R	6-1	184	Central Michigan University	Sophomore	New Lenox,IL
10	Kenny Mahala	L/R	6-2	210	Heartland CC	Junior	Highland, IN
27	Gerrad Rohan	R/R	6-3	195	University of Akron	Sophomore	Canfield,OH
17	Nick Saldutti	L/R	6-2	185	Butler University	Freshman	Noblesville,IN

Outfielders

#	Name	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	College	Class	Hometown
2	Nick Bartolone	L/L	6-2	200	Butler University	Freshman	Lafayette,IN
30	Anthony Bova	R/R	6-0	175	University of Akron	Freshman	Brunswick,OH
16	Jack Czeszewski	L/L	5-11	170	Illinois State University	Freshman	Elk Grove,IL
4	Rashawn Tillman	L/R	6-0	170	Arkansas-Pine Bluff	Sophomore	El Soberante,CA

Coaches

Justin Huisman (Manager, 2nd Season), Adam Enright (Assistant Coach)

2013 Northwest Indiana Oilmen Statistics



<u>Batting</u>

Player	P	AVG	G	AB	R	Н	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	HBP	SO	SF	SH	SB	CS	DP	E
Bartolone, N	OF	.375	19	72	10	27	3	2	1	27	5	2	13	5	0	4	1	1	2
Czeszewski, J	OF	.336	28	107	18	36	4	1	0	13	21	2	16	0	0	17	3	1	0
Clarkson, L	ᄠ	.336	28	113	28	38	4	1	1	17	9	2	18	2	0	11	2	2	6
x Dykema, C	IF	.333	2	6	1	2	0	0	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Bova, A	OF	.333	27	81	19	27	2	0	0	13	19	6	21	1	1	12	2	0	1
Hogan, T	C	.304	18	56	17	17	1	0	0	2	6	1	13	0	1	6	0	0	2
Tillman, R	OF	.273	25	77	20	21	3	0	0	14	14	5	23	3	2	11	2	0	1
Rohan, G	IF	.262	26	103	15	27	3	0	0	12	4	1	13	0	2	5	1	2	7
Mahala, K	IF	.254	19	67	13	17	6	1	0	6	12	2	27	0	1	0	0	0	0
Baar, T	C	.250	27	92	8	23	4	0	1	19	14	0	5	1	0	3	1	2	5
Saldutti, N	IF	.250	20	64	6	16	2	2	0	4	8	0	19	0	1	0	0	1	1
Austgen, C	IF	.226	16	53	5	12	1	0	0	5	5	0	7	0	1	4	2	2	6
Houlihan, J	F	.217	23	69	13	15	2	0	0	10	11	3	26	2	5	8	0	0	10
Marras, C	С	.179	12	39	4	7	1	0	0	5	3	1	9	0	1	1	1	0	2
Nasiloski, A	Р	.000	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals		.285	30		177	285	36	7	3	148	134	25	211	14	15	82	15	11	44

Pitching

Player	G	GS	CG	IP	Н	R	ER	BB	SO	W	L	SV	2B	3B	ERA
Nasiloski, A	13	0	0	17.2	16	1	1	7	12	3	0	1	0	0	0.50
McNamara, J	7	6	0	37.2	29	9	5	7	29	3	0	0	3	0	1.19
Steensen, M	7	6	2	40.2	36	9	6	8	29	2	1	0	6	0	1.32
x Hanchar, M	9	1	0	17.0	21	8	4	3	16	0	0	0	2	0	2.11
Pobereyko, M	12	0	0	12.1	13	4	4	7	13	3	1	3	1	0	2.91
Cochran, J	12	2	1	30.0	28	15	13	9	23	3	1	0	4	0	3.90
Pobereyko, D	8	2	0	16.2	18	9	8	8	8	0	0	0	3	0	4.32
Schneider, B	6	6	0	29.2	42	24	15	6	22	2	3	0	4	0	4.55
Wellwerts, A	5	4	0	25.0	17	15	13	14	24	3	1	0	2	0	4.68
Jerge, S	8	2	0	17.1	17	15	12	16	7	1	1	0	3	1	6.23
x Negele, J	1	1	0	4.0	7	4	3	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	6.75
Hinkleman, J	6	0	0	9.1	14	8	8	2	0	0	1	0	2	0	7.71
Totals	94	30	3	257.1	258	121	92	88	183	20	10	4	30	1	3.22

2013 Chicago Zephyrs Roster



#	Name	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	College	Class	Hometown
2	Christopher Anderson	L/L	6-1	165	Wabonsee Community College	Sophomore	Aurora,IL
23	Kyle Bender	R/R	6-0	170	Hannibal-Lagrange University	Junior	Geneva,IL
14	Joshua Brock	R/R	6-2		Milwaukee Area Tech College	Freshman	Iron Mountain,MI
35	Alex Brown	L/L	6-1	225	Miami University	Junior	Riverside,IL
43	Ryan Brown	R/L	6-1	210	Grinnell College	Freshman	Riverside,IL
3	Josh DeGraaf	R/R	6-4	180	Taylor University	Sophomore	Morris,IL
37	Eric Egan	R/R	6-1	193	Augustana College	Sophomore	Aurora,IL
49	Alan Frank	R/R	6-0	185	University of Missouri-St. Louis	Freshman	Scottsdale,AZ
6	Jeremy Karasewski	L/L	5-7	165	University of Northwestern Ohio	Freshman	Cortland,IL
8	Zack Liberatore	L/L	6-1	185	Rockford University	Junior	Plainfield,IL
48	Cody Love	R/R	6-0	210	Judson University	Sophomore	Aurora,IL
39	Andrew Lowe	R/R			Purdue University- Calumet		Whiting,IN

Catchers

#	Name	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	College	Class	Hometown
18	Anthony Athens	R/R	6-1	180	Bradley University	Junior	Yorkville,IL
50	Alex Bradly	L/R	5-10	185	University of Illinois	Sophomore	Chilicothe,IL
36	Josh Camalick	R/R	6-0	205	Bradley University	Senior	Burr Ridge,IL
47	Brent Minta	R/R	6-1	180	Taylor University	Sophomore	Naperville, IL

<u>Infielders</u>

#	Name	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	College	Class	Hometown
13	Drew Bailey	S/R	5-10	175	Carthage College	Sophomore	Naperville, IL
7	Nolan Bialek	R/R	5-9	150	University of Tampa	Freshman	Naperville,IL
20	Geno Cabral	R/R	5-8	185	Waubonsee CC	Sophomore	Aurora,IL
28	Luke Collins	R/R	6-2	210	Elmhurst College	Junior	Yorkville,IL
55	Nicholas Erickson	R/R	5-11	170	Columbia University	Sophomore	St. Charles,IL
4	Robert Fletcher	R/R	6-0	160	Simeon HS	HS Senior	Chicago, IL
27	Jake Jouris	S/R	6-2	195	Waubonsee CC	Sophomore	DeKalb,IL
1	Steve Kraynak	R/R	5-10	150	Carthage College	Junior	Hinsdale,IL
12	Shane Sandoval	R/R	6-2	215	College of The Holy Cross	Freshman	Westerly,Rl

Outfielders

#	Name	В/Т	Ht.	Wt.	College	Class	Hometown
10	Tyler Brazelton	R/R	5-7	170	Tennessee Tech University	Junior	Huntsville,AL
16	Cody Burton	R/L	6-2	170	Waubonsee CC	Sophomore	Aurora,IL
46	Jaques Camalick	R/R	6-0	185	Agustana College	Junior	Burr Ridge,IL
21	Zack Copple	R/R	5-8	170	Viterbo University	Junior	Minooka,IL
15	Bobby Pease	R/R	6-3	200	College of The Holy Cross	Sophomore	Bellerica,MA
5	Bobby Smith	R/R	5-11	195	Waubonsee Community College	Freshman	Oswego,IL

Coaches

Marco Fajardo (Manager), Tom Kinney (Pitching Coach), Luis Gill (Assistant Coach), Jeff Marcley (Assistant Coach), Ryan Payne (Bullpen Coach)

2013 Chicago Zephyrs Statistics



<u>Batting</u>

Player	P	AVG	G	AB	R	Н	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	HBP	SO	SF	SH	SB	CS	DP	E
Smith, B	OF	.357	10	28	6	10	4	2	0	4	2	0	9	0	0	4	1	0	1
Burton, C	CF	.333	5	18	2	6	1	0	0	0	4	0	3	0	0	2	0	0	0
Camalick, J	C	.333	14	45	4	15	3	0	1	5	3	0	5	0	0	1	0	1	7
Athens, A	U	.290	10	31	2	9	2	0	0	6	2	0	7	2	0	2	0	1	2
Cabral, G	IF	.280	10	25	2	7	1	0	0	0	1	0	5	0	2	0	0	4	2
Bailey, D	SS	.280	16	50	7	14	2	1	2	10	7	1	8	1	1	3	0	2	4
Jouris, J	1B	.268	12	41	7	11	4	0	0	5	2	1	11	1	0	0	1	2	5
Pease, B	OF	.260	15	50	4	13	0	0	1	4	3	1	17	0	1	5	2	1	0
Brazelton, T	OF	.243	15	37	8	9	2	0	0	1	11	1	6	0	0	5	2	0	0
Erickson, N	2B	.222	4	9	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Copple, Z	OF	.211	7	19	3	4	1	0	0	3	4	0	2	0	0	0	1	1	1
Bradly, A	С	.208	7	24	0	5	1	0	0	3	3	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	0
Kraynak, S	SS	.188	11	32	3	6	0	0	0	0	5	1	1	0	2	6	0	0	5
Camalick, J	OF	.147	13	34	1	5	0	0	0	0	1	1	15	0	0	1	0	1	1
Sandoval, S	1B	.135	11	37	2	5	0	0	0	1	3	0	13	0	0	0	0	2	0
Minta, B	C	.125	8	24	0	3	0	0	0	0	2	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	1
Bialek, N	IF	.083	10	24	0	2	0	0	0	0	3	0	10	0	1	0	0	0	8
Fletcher, R	IF	.000	8	20	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	11	0	2	0	0	0	3
Liberatore, Z	Р	.000	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Collins, L	1B	.000	5	11	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	4	5	0	0	0	0	0	3
Totals		.225	18	559	52	126	21	3	4	44	59	11	136	4	10	29	7	15	45

<u>Pitching</u>

Player	G	GS	CG	IP	Н	R	ER	BB	SO	W	L	SV	2B	3B	ERA
DeGraaf, J	3	2	0	13.0	3	2	0	4	16	1	1	0	1	0	0.00
Anderson, C	2	2	0	8.0	4	2	0	4	9	0	1	0	1	0	0.00
x Richmond, P	2	1	0	6.0	4	3	1	4	6	0	1	0	0	1	1.50
Brown, A	5	1	0	14.2	13	4	4	8	9	1	1	1	3	0	2.45
Karasewski, J	6	1	0	10.2	10	4	3	5	5	0	0	0	1	0	2.53
Brown, R	3	0	0	5.2	9	4	2	2	0	1	0	0	1	0	3.17
Frank, A	5	4	0	21.2	21	11	10	8	16	0	2	0	4	0	4.15
Bender, K	3	2	0	14.2	18	20	9	11	10	0	2	0	1	2	5.52
Liberatore, Z	4	1	0	9.2	14	13	6	9	8	0	2	0	2	1	5.58
Brock, J	6	1	0	19.1	27	16	14	8	8	0	1	1	5	2	6.51
Lowe, A	4	1	0	9.0	12	7	7	7	7	0	0	0	2	0	7.00
Egan, E	3	0	0	5.0	12	7	7	3	3	0	0	0	4	1	12.60
Love, C	6	1	0	7.2	14	17	15	11	7	0	2	0	5	0	17.60
x Renaud, K	3	0	0	2.0	4	4	4	2	2	0	1	0	1	0	18.00
Sandoval, S	1	0	0	1.0	3	4	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	27.00
Totals	56	17	0	148	168	118	85	86	106	3	14	2	32	7	5.17

Manager

Second Year

Overall Record:

52-26

(including playoffs)

Justin Huisman

Justin Huisman is in his second summer as the manager of the Northwest Indiana Oilmen, having led the team to the MCL title last summer. He is also the head coach of the Trinity College Trolls baseball team.

Huisman played collegiately at the University of Mississippi from 1997 to 2000, where he earned honors as an infielder and a closer. At Ole Miss he broke the single-season saves record his sophomore year and surpassed his own record the next year. He also broke the career saves mark for UM.

Huisman came out of school after his junior year at Ole Miss, getting drafted in the 15th round of the 2000 MLB draft by Colorado. In four seasons, he jumped four levels with the Rockies, notching 78 combined saves between Low-A, High-A and AA. He was traded to Kansas City in 2004. Though starting out in AAA Omaha for the Royals, Huisman was quickly called up to the big leagues and made his major league debut on April 25th. He went on to pitch 25 innings for Kansas City that season. Before sustaining an arm injury, Huisman posted three more seasons in AAA and one season for the Newark Bears (NJ) in the independent Atlantic League. He currently resides in Crown Point, Indiana, with his wife Julia and step-daughter Isabella.



Outfielder 6-2 / 200 lb. Freshman - L/L Lafayette, IN Butler University

Nick Bartolone

Nick Bartolone joins the Oilmen having just completed his freshman season at Butler University.

The Lafayette native saw action in 22 games for Butler, batting .270 in 37 at-bats, ranking 3rd on the team.

At Harrison High School, he set school records for putouts and chances in the out-field, and was all-conference in his sophomore and junior seasons while leading the team in batting. He was also a quarterback and a kicker on the football team.



Infielder
6-1 / 184 lb.
Sophomore - R/R
New Lenox, IL
Central Michigan
University

<u>Joe Houlihan</u>

Joe Houlihan brings experience to the NWI infield this season, having appeared in almost 70 games in the last two years for Central Michigan.

The Illinois native batted .247 his freshman year in 2012 with 10 RBI and 3 doubles in 36 games played.

Houlihan was also a three-year starter at shortstop in high school at Providence Catholic. A versatile athlete, Houlihan also spent two seasons as the starting quarterback on Providence Catholic's football team.



Outfielder 6-0 / 170 lb. Sophomore - L/R El Soberante, CA Univ. of Arkansas-Pine Bluff

Rashawn Tillman

A tremendous athlete with great speed, Tillman comes to Northwest Indiana from SWAC school Arkansas-Pine Bluff, where he redshirted this past season.

Prior to joining the Golden Lions, Tillman played at Laney College in California. The El Soberante native batted .300 there in 33 games with 16 RBI and 22 runs scored in 2012, his freshman season.



Infielder 6-1 / 160 lb. Jun<mark>ior - R</mark>/R Lowell, JN St. Joseph's College

Craig Austgen

Veteran infielder Craig Austgen returns to the Oilmen for his second go-around. Austgen batted .296 last season for the 2012 MCL championship squad, driving in 22 runs as one of eight Oilmen with over 100 at-bats.

Austgen also paced the Oilmen with four triples on the season.

He just recently completed his junior season at St. Joseph's College (IN), amassing eight multi-hit games and collecting four RBI in a game twice this spring.

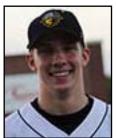


Infielder
6-2 / 210 lb.
Sophomore - L/R
Heartland
Community College

<u>Kenny Mahala</u>

The Highland native had an excellent sophomore year at Heartland Community College, batting .298 with six home runs and 39 RBI, ranking in the top two in both categories on the team.

Mahala was a decorated high school player at Andrean HS, leading his team to back-to-back state titles in 2009 and 2010, as well as four straight sectional titles. He also currently holds the Andrean career record for home runs and is second in career RBI and walks.



Catcher 6-1 / 159 lb. Freshman - R/R Na<mark>pe</mark>rville, <mark>IL</mark> West<mark>ern Kentuc</mark>ky University

Ty Hogan

Naperville, Illinois native Ty Hogan joins the Oilmen from Western Kentucky University, the second Hilltopper on the Northwest Indiana roster after Leiff Clarkson.

He redshirted this past season at WKU. Prior to that, he was a three-year starter at Naperville North High School in Illinois, starting each of his three years on varsity. Hogan also played summer baseball with the Illinois Redbirds while in high school.



Infielder 5-11 / 177 lb. Freshman - R/R Union, KY Western Kentucky University

Leiff Clarkson

Clarkson joins the Oilmen this summer from Western Kentucky University, where he redshirted this past spring for the Hilltoppers.

Clarkson attended Ryle High School where he helped lead the Raiders to a 27-12 record his senior year in 2012, including a district championship. He lettered four years in baseball, spending three of those years as a starter. In addition to baseball, Clarkson played two years on the varsity soccer team at Ryle.



Outfielder
5-11 / 170 lb.
Freshman - L/L
Elk Grove, IL
Illinois State
University

Jack Czeszewski

The polysyllabic outfielder Jack Czezsewski joins the Northwest Indiana roster from Illinois State University.

He saw action in 25 games this season for the Redbirds, making 16 starts. Czezsewski chose to attend ISU following a great senior year at Elk Grove High School in which he batted .381 with 17 doubles and 13 stolen bases.

For his efforts that season, he was named First Team All-Conference and also All-Area by the Chicago Tribune.



Infielder 6-2 / 185 lb. Freshman - L/R Noblesville, IN Butler University

<u>Nick Saldutti</u>

Nick Saldutti comes to Northwest Indiana from Butler University, where he saw action in 21 games for the Bulldogs.

A decorated high school player, he was a three-year letterwinner at Westfield High, batting .330 as a senior to earn all-conference and all-county recognition. He also earned Westfield's Impact Player and Silver Slugger awards.

In the summer during his high school career, he batted .477 for the Indiana North-Stars with a .571 on-base percentage.

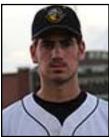


Pitcher
5-11 / 175 lb.
Sophomore - R/R
Cedar Lake, IN
Chicago State
University

Andy Wellwerts

NWI's starter in the MCL title game in 2012, Chicago State right-hander Andy Wellwerts returns to the Oilmen roster in 2013 after a sophomore season that saw the Cedar Lake native become one of the top arms for the Cougars' pitching staff.

Wellwerts led Chicago State in ERA, wins and innings pitched this past season, posting a 4.28 ERA and 4 wins in just over 90 frames while tossing seven complete games among his 15 starts. He also led the team with 65 strikeouts this spring.



Pitcher 6-5 / 200 lb. H<mark>S Senior - R/R</mark> Munster, IN Bishop Noll HS

Danny Pobereyko

Danny Pobereyko will join his older brother this season as the youngest member of the Oilmen roster.

Coming off his senior year at Bishop Noll High School, the Munster, Indiana native has picked Butler as his next destination, where he will play college baseball. He was also recruited by Indiana State, Ohio, Murray State, Harvard, West Point and St. Joseph's College.

He also played basketball and ran cross-country for Noll.



Pitcher
6-3 / 205 lb.
Sophomore - R/R
Hammond, IN
Chicago State
University

Aveeno Nasiloski

Hammond native Aveeno Nasilowski joins the Oilmen in 2013 as a multi-skilled player that saw time both on the mound and in the field in his sophomore season at Chicago State.

Nasilowski was one of only four players to play in over 50 games this spring for the Cougars, and the local product was second on the team with 16 RBI. He also made just two errors in 135 chances in the field.

On the rubber, Nasilowski made 17 total appearances, mostly as a reliever.



Infielder
6-0 / 200 lb.
Sophomore - R/R
Highland, IN
Quincy University

<u>Nik Mason</u>

The winning pitcher in last year's MCL Championship Series Game 1, Mason returns for a second go-around with the Oilmen.

Now a sophomore at Quincy University, Mason had a 2-1 record in 11 appearances last summer out of the bullpen for the 2012 MCL Championship squad, striking out 15 in 23 and 1/3 innings.



Catcher
6-2 / 212 lb.
Freshman - L/R
Jenison, MI
University of
Toledo

Tyler Baar

Baar comes from University of Toledo, where he saw a good deal of time his freshman season for the Rockets.

Baar batted .244 over 38 games with 20 starts for Toledo, with six doubles, a home run and 12 RBI. He was also solid behind the plate, making just 4 errors in 108 chances.

Baar was a three-year letterwinner in baseball at Hudsonville HS, batting .357 with 40 hits, 10 doubles, two triples, six home runs and 33 RBI as senior, earning First-team all-league, area and district honors.



Pitcher 6-2 / 192 lb. Sophomore - R/R Munster, IN Triton College

lames Hinkleman

Another returnee to the Oilmen roster from their inaugural season championship team, Hinkleman comes in having thrown 25 innings at Triton College in his sophomore year, up from just four frames a year ago.

The right-hander made four starts and seven total appearances for Triton, completing three of the four starts. He also put up a 4.32 ERA, ranking among the leaders in that category for starters.

Last summer, Hinkleman pitched in seven games for Northwest Indiana.



Pitcher
6-2 / 175 lb.
Freshman - L/L
Dyer, IN
Central Michigan
University

<u>Jimmy McNamara</u>

Jimmy McNamara comes to the Oilmen a highly decorated high school arm and future star at Central Michigan University.

McNamara threw 56 1/3 innings in his freshman season at CMU over 18 appearances and five starts. He posted a 3.67 ERA and one save while walking 17 and striking out 39.

In 2011, the Lake Central HS graduate was was named all-state by Prep Baseball Report after going 7-1 with a 0.79 ERA and 71 strikeouts in 51 innings as a junior.



Pitcher 6-5 / 190 lb. Sophomore - R/R Tallmadge, OH University of Akron

<u>Joe Cochran</u>

Cochran joins the Oilmen in 2013 looking to get more innings under his belt.

The tall right-hander from Ohio just finished his redshirt sophomore season at the University of Akron, appearing in 13 games out of the bullpen for a total of 20 2/3 innings, and fanning 10 batters.



Infielder 6-3 / 195 lb. Sophomore - R/R Canfield, OH University of Akron

Gerrad Rohan

Gerrad Rohan joins several Akron teammates on the Oilmen roster this season.

Rohan saw action in 31 games this season for the Zips. The sophomore got off to a hot start, collecting multiple hits in four of his first 11 games played, including a 2-for-4 performance at national power Louisville.

The numbers were an uptick from a year ago, when he played in 18 games his freshman campaign at Akron.



Pitcher 6-2 / 205 lb. Freshman - R/R Granville, OH University of Akron

Michael Steensen

Steensen is another Akron Zip to make his debut for the Oilmen this summer. His freshman year at Akron this past spring was successful, as he made seven starts for the Zips, ranking fourth on the team. He pitched 35 innings, with his best outing against Youngstown State on April 3rd, when he pitched 5 innings and gave up only one earned run in a Zips victory.

At Granville High School, Steensen owned a 2.49 ERA in 140 2/3 career innings, with 120 strikeouts and 14 complete games.



Outfielder 6-0 / 175 lb. Freshman - R/R Brunswick, OH University of Akron

Anthony Bova

Anthony Bova comes to the Oilmen this season after he saw action in 22 games for the Akron Zips in his freshman year batting .273 in that time at the plate.

Prior to that, Bova completed a successful high school career at Brunswick High in Ohio. The outfielder picked up three varsity letters, and followed up a junior season in which he was named honorable mention All-Northeast Ohio Conference with a senior season that included a .385 average and first team All-Conference honors.



Pitcher 6-2 / 200 lb. Freshman - R/R Coral Springs, FL Dominican College

Brett Schneider

Schneider comes to the Oilmen after a solid freshman campaign on the hill for Dominican College in New York.

The right-hander made nine appearances for the Chargers, including six starts. He threw the fourth-most innings on the team (46 2/3) and put up a 3-1 record and a 3.28 ERA, third on the team among pitchers who made at least one start this spring.



Pitcher
6-0 / 185 lb.
Freshman - R/R
Munster, IN
Valparaiso
University

Scott Jerge

No stranger to Northwest Indiana, Jerge comes to the Oilmen from Valparaiso University, redshirting this past season for the Crusaders.

His high school career was short, but highly decorated. Jerge was a two-year letter winner for the Munster HS Mustangs, and was named Most Valuable Player his senior season. He was also voted Second Team All-Conference and All-Area Honorable Mention his senior year.



Pitcher
6-1 / 239 lb.
Junior - R/R
Munster, IN
Kentucky
Wesleyan Univ.

Matt Pobereyko

Matt Pobereyko joins his younger brother Danny on the Oilmen roster in 2013. The elder Pobereyko returns to Indiana having pitched this past spring at Kentucky Wesleyan College.

He made 11 appearances and five starts for the Panthers, owning a 2-2 record. He also struck out 23 batters in 30 2/3 innings pitched.

Before that, he played two years at South Suburban College in Illinois.



Catcher 6-0 / 200 lb. Freshman - R/R Vernon Hills, IL Butler University

Chris Marras

Marras comes to the Oilmen familiar with Indiana, as he just completed his freshman year at Butler University.

He also comes to Oil City Stadium eager for at-bats. Marras saw action in seven games this spring, where he was a solid defender behind the plate, making no errors in 23 chances while playing behind two fifth-year seniors.

At Vernon Hills High School, he was named a two-time all-conference selection as well as a Daily Herald All-Area selection.

NWI Oilmen Pronunciation Guide

Craig AUSTGEN - "AWST-jen"
Tyler BAAR - "BAR"
Nick BARTOLONE - "bart-uh-LOAN"
LEIFF Clarkson - "LAYF"
Jack CZESZEWSKI - "sha-SHEV-skee"
Joe HOULIHAN - "HOO-luh-hann"
Justin HUISMAN - "HIGHS-man"
Scott JERGE - "YERG-ee"
Chris MARRAS - "MAIR-iss"
Jimmy MCNAMARA - "MACK-nuh-mair-uh"
Josh NEGELE - "NAYG-ul"
Matt/Danny POBEREYKO - "pobe-uh-REE-ko"
GERRAD ROHAN - "JAIR-ed ROW-an"
Nick SALDUTTI - "sal-DOOT-ee"
RASHAWN Tillman - "ruh-SHAWN"

