



Northwest Indiana Oilmen

2016 Game Notes

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FRIDAY'S GAME:
NWI Oilmen (0-0)
at Bloomington Bobcats (0-0)

May 27 - 7:30 p.m. (CT) - Bloomington, Ill.
Radio: NWIOilmen.com (UStream)
Location: O'Neil Park

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2016 Schedule

5/26	@ Bloomington Bobcats	ppd
5/27	@ Bloomington Bobcats	7:30 p.m.
5/28	@ DuPage County Hounds	1 p.m.
5/29	@ Joliet Admirals (DH)	1 p.m.
6/1	@ Michigan City Lakers	7:20 p.m.
6/2	@ Bloomington Bobcats	7:30 p.m.
6/3	@ Bloomington Bobcats	7:30 p.m.
6/4	@ Southland Vikings	1 p.m.
6/5	@ Joliet Admirals	1 p.m.
6/7	MICHIGAN CITY LAKERS	7:20 p.m.
6/8	MICHIGAN CITY LAKERS	7:20 p.m.
6/9	SOUTHLAND VIKINGS	7:20 p.m.
6/10	DUPAGE COUNTY HOUNDS	7:20 p.m.
6/11	SOUTHLAND VIKINGS	7:20 p.m.
6/12	JOLIET ADMIRALS	4 p.m.
6/15	MICHIGAN CITY LAKERS	7:20 p.m.
6/16	BLOOMINGTON BOBCATS	7:20 p.m.
6/17	DUPAGE COUNTY HOUNDS	7:20 p.m.
6/18	SOUTHLAND VIKINGS	7:20 p.m.
6/19	JOLIET ADMIRALS	4 p.m.
6/22	MICHIGAN CITY LAKERS	7:20 p.m.
6/23	SOUTHLAND VIKINGS	7:20 p.m.
6/24	DUPAGE COUNTY HOUNDS	7:20 p.m.
6/25	SOUTHLAND VIKINGS	7:20 p.m.
6/26	JOLIET ADMIRALS	4 p.m.
6/28	JOLIET ADMIRALS	1:20 p.m.
6/29	MICHIGAN CITY LAKERS	7:20 p.m.
6/30	MICHIGAN CITY LAKERS	7:20 p.m.
7/1	DUPAGE COUNTY HOUNDS	7:20 p.m.
7/2	SOUTHLAND VIKINGS	7:20 p.m.
7/4	U.S. MILITARY ALL-STARS*	2:30 p.m.
7/6	@ Michigan City Lakers	7:20 p.m.
7/7	@ Bloomington Bobcats	7:30 p.m.
7/8	@ DuPage County Hounds	5 p.m.
7/9	@ Southland Vikings	1 p.m.
7/12	MCL ALL-STAR GAME*	7:30 p.m.
7/13	MICHIGAN CITY LAKERS	7:20 p.m.
7/14	SOUTHLAND VIKINGS	7:20 p.m.
7/15	DUPAGE COUNTY HOUNDS	7:20 p.m.
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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
8/5-18/7	MCL Championship Series	TBD

*- denotes exhibition game
CAPS- denotes home game

For Starters

The Northwest Indiana Oilmen begin their fifth season on Friday in Bloomington. The opener was scheduled to take place on Thursday, but the Oilmen were postponed by rain on opening night for the third straight year. The Oilmen have reached the postseason four consecutive years, but haven't played won a Midwest Collegiate League title since 2012. They return six players from last year's team, the most in franchise history. The Oilmen are 2-2 on Opening Day over their first four seasons. They dropped the season openers in 2012 and 2013, then beat the Snipes 2-1 in 2014 and the Admirals 5-2 to begin the 2015 campaign. This marks the fourth time in five years the Oilmen have begun the season away from Northwest Indiana.

Inside The Oilmen

The Oilmen send 6-foot-4 right-hander Max Siedlecki (New Mexico Highlands / Chicago, Ill.) to the mound to start the first game of the season on Thursday. He joins a list of Oilmen Opening Day starters that also includes Keith Mahler (2015), Jimmy McNamara (2014), Michael Steensen (2013) and Tait Rauhen (2012). Siedlecki went 0-6 with a 7.42 ERA during the spring. Thursday will be his first game action since a scoreless inning on April 24.

Inside the Bobcats

Friday marks the return of collegiate summer baseball to Bloomington, resuming the team's rich history that has been on hiatus since 2002. The Bobcats were originally run by legendary Illinois Wesleyan University baseball coach Jack Horenberger. Friday's starter Mitch Weis had an 8.15 ERA in four starts this year at Division-I Illinois State.

Spring Fling

Due to the success of Oilmen players during their spring seasons, the Oilmen will play shorthanded on Friday. Chase Dawson (Valparaiso / Chesterton, Ind.) is the starting second baseman for Division-I Valparaiso, which won 10-7 over Northern Kentucky on Wednesday in the Horizon League Tournament. Dawson, named to the league's all-freshman team, went 3-for-3 in Wednesday's game. In the same game, NKU had an Oilman in its starting lineup, as Brad Bohlen notched a base hit. Valpo split two games on Thursday to stay alive in the tournament. UIC's Chris Baker saw his team's season end on Thursday. Stefano Belmonte is competing in the Atlantic Sun Tournament for Florida Gulf Coast, defeated Kennesaw State 6-0 on Thursday. Tyler Sroczynski is at Trinity Christian, which is competing in the NCCAA National Championships this week in Mason, Ohio. Oilmen manager Adam Enright is an assistant coach at Trinity Christian, so he too will miss Friday's game. Former Lexington Snipes manager Billy DuBois will fill in as Oilmen manager. Four players are finishing prep seasons. Sam Geraci and Richard Yelnick are playing in the NJCAA Division-II World Series for Parkland on Saturday. Blake Cleveland is playing in the MAC Tournament with Central Michigan, which defeated Ball State 4-0 on Thursday.

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 (1,300)
 Stadium Address.....1700 119th Street, Whiting, IN 46394
 Manager.....Adam Enright (28-19)
 All-Time Team Record.....118-68, 102-65 in MCL Games
 Home Record.....76-34
 Road Record.....42-34
 Playoff Appearances.....2012, 2013, 2014, 2015
 Playoff Record.....7-6
 Playoff Home Record.....3-4
 Playoff Road Record.....4-2
 MCL Championship Appearances.....2012, 2013
 Midwest Collegiate League Titles.....2012

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, Payon 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

THURSDAY: DuPage County 9, Southland 7 Lakers 6, Admirals 4 Oilmen at Bobcats, ppd.	FRIDAY: Admirals at Hounds, 5 p.m. Oilmen at Bobcats, 7:30 p.m. Vikings at Lakers, 7:20 p.m.
SATURDAY: Oilmen at Hounds, 1 p.m. Admirals at Vikings, 1 p.m.	SUNDAY: Oilmen at Admirals DH, 1 p.m. Bobcats at Vikings, 1 p.m.

Midwest Collegiate League Standings

TEAM	W	L	%	GB	STR
DC Hounds	1	0	1.000	---	W1
MC Lakers	1	0	1.000	---	W1
Bloomington Bobcats	0	0	---	0.5	---
NWI Oilmen	0	0	---	0.5	---
Joliet Admirals	0	1	.000	1	L1
Southland Vikings	0	1	.000	1	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
	Christian Howell	R/R	6-1	165	Minnesota State	Aurora, Ill.
	Braden Niksich	R/R	6-3	190	Illinois State	Hobart, Ind.
	Luke Jaksich	L/L	6-1	160	Saint Joseph's College	St. John, Ind.
	Josh Mutter	L/L	6-3	150	Northern Illinois	Frankfort, Ill.
	Clay Keltner	R/R	6-1	205	Cornerstone	Highland, Ind.
	Jordan Petty	R/R	6-2	175	Purdue Calumet	Highland, Ind.
	Max Siedlecki	R/R	6-4	210	New Mexico Highlands	Chicago, Ill.
	Eric Frontzak	R/R	6-0	190	Alma College	Naperville, Ill.
	Jamary McKinney	R/R	6-1	200	Chicago State	Chicago, Ill.
	Jay Gutierrez	R/R	6-1	200	Olney Central College	Oak Lawn, Ill.
	Sam Geraci	R/R	5-10	180	Parkland / Illinois Springfield	Steger, Ill.
	Hunter Clark	L/L	6-1	190	Eastern Illinois	Granger, Ill.
	Richard Yelnick	L/L	6-2	190	Parkland / Trinity Christian	New Lenox, Ill.
	James Whiteman	R/R	6-2	194	Triton College	Lakeville, Ind.
	Reggie Johnson	R/R	6-2	175	Alcorn State	South Holland, Ill.

CATCHERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
	Blake Cleveland	R/R	5-11	197	Central Michigan	Nappanee, Ind.
	Zack Forney	R/R	5-10	170	Eastern Illinois	Cary, Ill.
	Jake Perreira	R/R	5-9	200	University of Indianapolis	Grant Park, Ill.

OUTFIELDERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
	Jordan Flint	R/R	6-4	190	Eastern Illinois	Bartlett, Ill.
	Tyler Sroczyński	R/R	6-2	205	Trinity Christian	Dyer, Ind.
	Chris Baker	L/R	6-0	185	University Illinois-Chicago	South Holland, Ill.
	Cory Krolkowski	L/R	5-8	190	Minnesota Duluth	Bartlett, Ill.
	Chase Fieldhouse	R/R	5-10	190	St. Joseph's College	St. John, Ind.

INFIELDERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
	Bo Fletcher	R/R	6-0	180	Alcorn State	Chicago, Ill.
	Jimmy Govern	R/R	5-11	175	Eastern Illinois	Libertyville, Ill.
	Stefano Belmonte	R/R	6-2	205	Florida Gulf Coast	Munster, Ind.
	Alex Nisle	R/R	6-0	185	Saint Joseph's College	Schererville, Ind.
	Chase Dawson	L/R	5-10	170	Valparaiso	Chesterton, Ind.
	Tommy Szczyński	L/R	5-10	185	Northern Illinois	Tinsley Park, Ill.
	Brad Bohlen	R/R	5-10	190	Northern Kentucky	Chicago Heights, Ill.
	Josh Fewell	L/R	6-2	210	Heartland CC	Kokomo, Ind.

Manager - Adam Enright | Assistant Coaches - Aaron Furman, Steven Brewer

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PITCHERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
26	Sean Coonan	R/R	5-8	200	Illinois Wesleyan	Bloomington, 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.
	Kody Silverthorn	R/R	5-9	145	Parkland	Eureka, Ill.
	Nick Alvarado	R/R	6-7	230	Illinois State	Grain Valley, Mo.
	Mitch Weis	R/R	6-4	210	Illinois State	Ballwin, Mo.
28	Blade Matthews	R/R	5-11	190	Lincoln Land	Olympia, Ill.
	Travis Auer	R/R	5-11	180	Heartland	Normal, Ill.
29	Nick Brune	R/R	6-1	195	Illinois Wesleyan	Mundelein, Ill.
	Tim Smyk	R/R	6-2	220	Illinois Wesleyan	Morris, Ill.

CATCHERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
21	Pat Mollo	R/R	6-1	235	Illinois Wesleyan	Naperville, Ill.
	Jordyan Muffley	R/R	6-1	180	Parkland	Portage, Mich.

INFIELDERS

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

OUTFIELDERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
9	Ryan Scott	R/R	6-1	185	North Central	Normal, Ill.
8	Cody Rogers	R/R	5-11	185	Illinois Wesleyan	Bloomington, 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