



# Northwest Indiana Oilmen

## 2016 Game Notes

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THURSDAY GAMES: \*DOUBLEHEADER\*  
NWI Oilmen (1-3)  
at Bloomington Bobcats (2-1)

GAMES

5/6

June 2 - 4:30 p.m. (CT) - Bloomington, Ill.  
Radio Game 1: NWI Oilmen.com  
Radio Game 2: AM 1230 WJOB

### 2016 Schedule

5/26	@ Bloomington Bobcats	ppd.
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
6/1	@ Michigan City Lakers	ppd.
6/2	@ Bloomington Bobcats (DH)	4:30 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 (DH)	6:15 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.
7/16	SOUTHLAND VIKINGS	7:20 p.m.
7/17	JOLIET ADMIRALS	4 p.m.
7/20	MICHIGAN CITY LAKERS	7:20 p.m.
7/21	SOUTHLAND VIKINGS	7:20 p.m.
7/22	DUPAGE COUNTY HOUNDS	7:20 p.m.
7/23	SOUTHLAND VIKINGS	7:20 p.m.
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
8/5-8/7	MCL Championship Series	TBD

### For Starters

The Oilmen have dropped three of their first four, but they will start to creep back to full strength this week after missing a large number of players who were finishing their spring seasons last week. Tyler Sroczynski (Trinity Christian), Brad Bohlen (Northern Kentucky), Blake Cleveland (Central Michigan), Stefano Belmonte (Florida Gulf Coast), Chris Baker (UIC) and Richard Yelnick (Parkland) are expected to debut on Thursday.

### Inside The Oilmen

Cory Krolikowski (Minnesota Duluth / Bartlett, Ill.) is off to a strong start, having batted .467 through the first four games of the season. He leads the team in average and hits with seven. Jimmy Govern is out to an early team lead with five RBIs, Zack Forney is the team leader in OBP at .545 and Josh Fewell paces the squad in walks with five. Christian Howell twirled the 14th complete game in franchise history, a seven-inning outing in Game 2 of a doubleheader against Joliet on Sunday. Howell also threw a complete game against Lexington on July 22, 2015, so he moves within one of Michael Steenson's career franchise record of three. The Oilmen received their first complete game in Game 4 of the season this year. For comparison, the Oilmen went the entire 2014 season without a complete game. Reggie Johnson will start on three days of rest on Thursday after taking the loss in Game 1 of Sunday's doubleheader.

### Inside the Bobcats

The Bloomington Bobcats hold a .235 team batting average, but a sparkling 2.08 team ERA. Garrett Shea is the team's leading hitter with a .417 average. Mitch Weis earned MCL Pitcher of the Week recognition by shutting down the Oilmen last week with seven scoreless innings. Nick Brune was also stellar for the Bobcats on Wednesday, working six shutout frames in a 9-0 rout of DuPage, the Hounds' first loss of the season. They send a pair of incoming freshmen to the mound on Thursday: Heartland's Jackson Bronke and Illinois Springfield's Zach Frey.

### About the Matchup

The Oilmen and Bobcats will hook up for the second and third times ever on Thursday. The Bobcats returned from a hiatus that dated back to 2002 with a 3-0 victory over the Oilmen in the first ever meeting on May 27. The Oilmen will seek their first ever win over the Bobcats on Friday. Max Siedlecki worked five strong innings and took a tough-luck loss on May 27 at Bloomington. He is the only Oilmen pitcher who has seen action who has not issued a walk yet this season.

### Around the League

The Oilmen enter the day in last place in the Midwest Collegiate League, while the Michigan City Lakers start Thursday atop to the league standings. The DuPage County Hounds are up to their old tricks of stealing bases. Their league-high 18 stolen bases are more than the Oilmen, Vikings, Lakers and Bobcats combined. The Oilmen rank third in the league in batting average (.254) and fifth in ERA (4.03). The Vikings lead the league in hitting at .308.

\*- denotes exhibition game  
CAPS- denotes home game

## 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 (28-20)  
 All-Time Team Record.....119-71, 103-68 in MCL Games  
     Home Record.....76-34  
     Road Record.....43-37  
 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

<b>SUNDAY:</b> Admirals 9, Oilmen 7 Oilmen 7, Admirals 5 Vikings 6, Bobcats 3	<b>WEDNESDAY:</b> Bobcats 9, Hounds 0 Admirals 8, Vikings 1 Oilmen at Lakers, ppd.
<b>THURSDAY:</b> Oilmen at Bobcats, 4:30 p.m. (DH) Lakers at Admirals, 5 p.m. Vikings at Hounds, 5 p.m.	<b>FRIDAY:</b> Admirals at Hounds, 5 p.m. Oilmen at Bobcats, 7:30 p.m. Vikings at Lakers, 7:20 p.m.

## Midwest Collegiate League Standings

TEAM	W	L	%	GB	STR
MC Lakers	2	0	1.000	---	W2
DC Hounds	3	1	.750	---	L1
Bloomington Bobcats	2	1	.666	0.5	W1
Southland Vikings	2	3	.400	1.5	L1
Joliet Admirals	2	4	.333	2	W1
NWI Oilmen	1	3	.250	2.5	W1

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.
	Jordan Petty	R/R	6-2	175	Purdue Calumet	Highland, Ind.
	Sam Geraci	R/R	5-10	180	Parkland / Illinois Springfield	Steger, Ill.
	Richard Yelnick	L/L	6-2	190	Parkland / Trinity Christian	New Lenox, Ill.
1	Reggie Johnson	R/R	6-2	175	Alcorn State	South Holland, Ill.
13	Jay Gutierrez	R/R	6-1	200	Olney Central College	Oak Lawn, Ill.
16	Jamary McKinney	R/R	6-1	200	Chicago State	Chicago, Ill.
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.
33	Clay Keltner	R/R	6-1	205	Cornerstone	Highland, Ind.
36	Eric Frontzak	R/R	6-0	190	Alma College	Naperville, Ill.
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
	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
	Tyler Sroczyński	R/R	6-2	205	Trinity Christian	Dyer, Ind.
	Chris Baker	L/R	6-0	185	University Illinois-Chicago	South Holland, Ill.
14	Chase Fieldhouse	R/R	5-10	190	St. Joseph's College	St. John, Ind.
23	Jordan Flint	R/R	6-4	190	Eastern Illinois	Bartlett, Ill.
41	Cory Krolkowski	L/R	5-8	190	Minnesota Duluth	Bartlett, Ill.

## INFIELDERS

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

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

# 2016 Bloomington Bobcats

## PITCHERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
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.
	Kody Silverthorn	R/R	5-9	145	Parkland	Eureka, Ill.
	Nick Alvorado	R/R	6-7	230	Illinois State	Grain Valley, Mo.
	Mitch Weis	R/R	6-4	210	Illinois State	Ballwin, 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.
	Jordyan Muffley	R/R	6-1	180	Parkland	Portage, Mich.

## 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.
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
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

<b>HITTING STATS</b>									
<b>NAME</b>	<b>AVG</b>	<b>AB</b>	<b>Hits</b>	<b>HR</b>	<b>RBI</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>SLG</b>	<b>OBP</b>	<b>2B</b>
Cory Krolikowski	.467	15	7	0	2	2	.533	.529	1
Chase Fieldhouse	.333	12	4	0	1	2	.333	.467	0
Josh Fewell	.333	12	4	0	0	1	.375	.444	0
Bo Fletcher	.300	10	3	0	0	1	.000	.333	0
Zack Forney	.286	7	0	0	0	0	.000	.000	0
Jake Perreira	.250	12	3	0	2	2	.417	.375	2
Jimmy Govern	.231	13	3	0	5	3	.308	.333	1
Josh Mutter	.200	5	1	0	0	1	.200	.333	0
Jordan Flint	.167	12	2	0	3	2	.167	.214	0
Alex Nisle	.000	13	1	0	0	1	.000	.133	0
Reggie Johnson	.000	3	0	0	0	0	.000	.000	0
Tyler Sroczyński	---	-	-	-	-	-	---	---	-
Tommy Szczyński	---	-	-	-	-	-	---	---	-
Chris Baker	---	-	-	-	-	-	---	---	-
Stefano Belmonte	---	-	-	-	-	-	---	---	-
Brad Bohlen	---	-	-	-	-	-	---	---	-
Blake Cleveland	---	-	-	-	-	-	---	---	-
Chase Dawson	---	-	-	-	-	-	---	---	-
<b>TEAM STATS</b>	<b>.254</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>.289</b>	<b>.374</b>	<b>4</b>

<b>PITCHING STATS</b>									
<b>NAME</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>IP</b>	<b>ERA</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>K</b>	<b>WHIP</b>	<b>BAA</b>	
Eric Frontzak	0	0	1.0	0.00	1	0	4.00	.375	
Hunter Clark	0	0	1.0	0.00	3	2	3.00	.000	
James Whiteman	0	0	1.2	0.00	1	3	0.60	.000	
Jay Gutierrez	0	0	1.1	0.00	2	2	1.50	.000	
Christian Howell	1	0	7.0	1.28	4	6	1.14	.167	
Max Siedecki	0	1	5.0	1.80	0	4	0.80	.222	
Clay Keltner	0	1	5.0	3.60	1	5	1.40	.300	
Jamary McKinney	0	0	1.2	5.40	4	1	4.20	.375	
Reggie Johnson	0	1	4.0	6.75	2	6	2.00	.333	
Josh Mutter	0	1	1.1	33.75	2	1	3.75	.429	
Jordan Petty	-	-	-	---	-	-	---	---	
Luke Jaksich	-	-	-	---	-	-	---	---	
Richard Yelnick	-	-	-	---	-	-	---	---	
Eric Frontzak	-	-	-	---	-	-	---	---	
Sam Geraci	-	-	-	---	-	-	---	---	
<b>TEAM STATS</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>29.0</b>	<b>4.03</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>1.69</b>	<b>.250</b>	