



Northwest Indiana Oilmen

2015 Game Notes

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FRIDAY'S GAME:
NWI Oilmen (15-9)
at Michigan City Lakers (9-17)

July 10 - 5 p.m. (CT) - Michigan City, Ind.
Radio: None
Internet: nwioilmen.com (UStream)

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2015 Schedule

6/1	@ Joliet Admirals	W 5-2
6/3	@ Southland Vikings	W 5-3
6/4	@ Joliet Admirals	W 5-3
6/5	@ Michigan City Lakers	L 7-5
6/6	@ DuPage County Hounds	W 7-1
6/7	@ Lexington Snipes	W 7-4
6/10	JOLIET ADMIRALS	L 7-6
6/11	DUPAGE COUNTY HOUNDS	W 5-3
6/13	FORT WAYNE JACKERS*	W 5-1
6/16	DUPAGE COUNTY HOUNDS	W 6-5
6/18	@ DuPage County Hounds	L 4-3
6/20	@ Lexington Snipes (DH)	W 6-1
6/20	@ Lexington Snipes (DH)	L 5-4
6/21	@ Michigan City Lakers	L 13-12
6/24	JOLIET ADMIRALS	W 1-0
6/25	MICHIGAN CITY LAKERS	W 12-3
6/27	JOLIET ADMIRALS	W 10-0
6/28	SOUTHLAND VIKINGS	W 13-0
6/30	MICHIGAN CITY LAKERS	L 6-5
7/1	MICHIGAN CITY LAKERS	W 11-2
7/2	DUPAGE COUNTY HOUNDS	W 4-3
7/3	@ Lexington Snipes	L 7-3
7/4	MICHIGAN CITY LAKERS	L 7-5
7/5	JOLIET ADMIRALS	W 6-1
7/7	MCL ALL-STAR GAME	----
7/9	SOUTHLAND VIKINGS	L 7-5
7/10	@ Michigan City Lakers	5 p.m.
7/11	@ DuPage County Hounds	1 p.m.
7/12	@ Lexington Snipes	1 p.m.
7/13	LEXINGTON SNIPES	6 p.m.
7/14	@ Joliet Admirals	5 p.m.
7/15	JOLIET ADMIRALS	7 p.m.
7/16	@ Southland Vikings	7 p.m.
7/17	@ Southland Vikings	7 p.m.
7/18	@ Michigan City Lakers	7 p.m.
7/19	DUPAGE COUNTY HOUNDS	4 p.m.
7/21	SOUTHLAND VIKINGS	7 p.m.
7/22	LEXINGTON SNIPES	7 p.m.
7/23	@ DuPage County Hounds	5 p.m.
7/24	@ Joliet Admirals	5 p.m.
7/25	@ Southland Vikings (DH)	1 p.m.
7/25	@ Southland Vikings (DH)	3:30 p.m.
7/26	@ Michigan City Lakers	1 p.m.
7/28	SOUTHLAND VIKINGS	7 p.m.
7/29	DUPAGE COUNTY HOUNDS	7 p.m.
7/30	MICHIGAN CITY LAKERS	7 p.m.
7/31	LEXINGTON SNIPES (DH)	TBD
7/31	LEXINGTON SNIPES	7 p.m.
8/1	MCL Playoffs Game 1	TBD
8/2	MCL Playoffs Game 2	TBD
8/3	MCL Playoffs Game 3	TBD
8/6	MCL Championship Game 1	TBD
8/7	MCL Championship Game 2	TBD
8/8	MCL Championship Game 3	TBD

*- denotes exhibition game
CAPS- denotes home game

For Starters

The Oilmen experienced a touch of déjà vu on Thursday when they once again stranded the bases loaded in their final at-bat in a 7-5 defeat. It was the second time in the last three games that the exact scenario played out, as Zack Jones grounded out in the ninth to end Thursday's loss to the Vikings after Brad Wood bounced out in the 11th to end a July 4 loss to the Lakers. Overall, it was the fourth time the Oilmen had the bases loaded in their final at-bat of a one- or two-run game and failed to capitalize. Jones also made the final out of a 4-3 setback to DuPage County on June 18 with the bags full in the ninth. On June 10 against Joliet, the Oilmen had the bases juiced and one away when Sam Geraci lined into a double play with Jeremy Wright being doubled off first.

Inside The Oilmen

Fred Smart enjoyed his first four-hit game in an Oilmen uniform on Thursday. He was the bright spot of the day, boosting his batting average from .236 to .283. Smart drove in three runs, also an individual season high, to lift his RBI total to 10. The Oilmen now have eight different players with at least 10 RBIs. The Oilmen go with front-end starter Enrique Zamora to try to take out the Lakers on Friday. Zamora, a 2015 Midwest Collegiate League All-Star, has picked up wins in all three of his starts this season. He leads the Oilmen with 28 strikeouts, tied for third in the league.

Inside the Lakers

The Lakers are also looking to get back on track following a 6-2 loss to Joliet on Thursday. With Southland's win coupled with the Michigan City defeat, the Lakers have retreated back to the basement of the Midwest Collegiate League, one game behind the Vikings and two games in back of Joliet for the final playoff spot. The Lakers feature Eastern Michigan's Joe Kennedy, who leads the league in batting average at .439 and on-base percentage at .515. He was named the MVP of Tuesday's All-Star Game. Shane Prance faced the Oilmen on July 1, taking the loss after allowing eight runs (six earned) on nine hits in six innings.

About the Matchup

The Lakers have had great success against the Oilmen this season, winning four of the first six meetings. A Michigan City win on Friday would secure at least a split in the season series with three more meetings remaining. The Oilmen are 0-2 in Michigan City this year.

Around the MCL

The other top two teams in the league - the Snipes and Hounds - face off on Friday at High Desert Field. An Oilmen loss to the Lakers would have serious repercussions in the MCL standings. Pending the outcome of the Snipes/Hounds game, they would either drop to third place for the first time this season or fall to more than a game out of first for the first time all year.

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
 All-Time Team Record.....105-58, 90-55 in MCL Games
 Home Record.....66-30
 Road Record.....39-27
 Playoff Appearances.....2012, 2013, 2014
 Playoff Record.....6-4
 Playoff Home Record.....3-2
 Playoff Road Record.....3-2
 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, a rotating cast of color commentators will handle games, including Brandon Pavlina (road games) and former Oilmen pitcher Andrew Lowe (select home games). To listen on the internet, click the "Listen Live" tab at the top of the NWIOilmen.com homepage.



Midwest Collegiate League Scoreboard

WEDNESDAY: Hounds 3, Admirals 1	THURSDAY: Vikings 7, Oilmen 5 Admirals 6, Lakers 2
FRIDAY: Admirals at Vikings, 5 p.m. Oilmen at Lakers, 5 p.m. Hounds at Snipes, 5 p.m.	SATURDAY: Oilmen at Hounds, 1 p.m. Admirals at Snipes, 1 p.m. Vikings at Lakers, 1 p.m.

Midwest Collegiate League Standings

TEAM	W	L	%	GB	STR
DC Hounds	16	9	.640	---	W1
NWI Oilmen	15	9	.625	0.5	L1
Lexington Snipes	15	10	.600	1	W4
Joliet Admirals	8	12	.400	5.5	W1
Southland Vikings	7	13	.350	6.5	W1
Michigan City Lakers	9	17	.346	7.5	L1

X= Clinched Playoff Berth

Y= Clinched Home Field Advantage

E= Eliminated from Playoff Contention

2015 Northwest Indiana Oilmen Roster

PITCHERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
7	Brandon Murray	R/R	6-4	200	South Carolina	Hobart, Ind.
13	Brian Jestice	R/R	6-2	215	Evansville	Hoffman Estates, Ill.
14	Enrique Zamora	R/R	6-3	285	Calumet College	Hammond, Ind.
20/35	Sam Bell	R/R	6-3	215	Marian	Munster, Ind.
27	Christian Sullivan	R/R	6-2	240	Franklin College	Schererville, Ind.
28	Keith Mahler	R/R	6-6	185	Heartland CC / Cumberland	Highland, Ind.
30	Tyler Loesher	R/R	6-11	245	Kishwaukee CC	Woodstock, Ill.
33	Jimmy Skiff	R/R	6-1	160	Purdue Calumet	Dyer, Ind.
42	Hunter Clark	L/L	6-1	190	Eastern Illinois	Granger, Ind.
43	Richard Yelnick	L/L	6-2	190	Parkland CC	New Lenox, Ill.
45/28	Christian Howell	R/R	6-1	165	Minnesota State	Aurora, Ill.

CATCHERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
3	Josh Turnock	L/R	5-10	190	Eastern Illinois	Granger, Ind.
19	Zack Jones	R/R	5-11	190	Trinity Christian	Park Forest, Ill.
24	Joe Jumonville	R/R	5-11	190	Northern Illinois	Munster, Ind.

OUTFIELDERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
1 / 10	Alec Olund	R/R	6-1	180	Purdue	Schererville, Ind.
21	Tyler Sroczynski	R/R	6-2	205	Wabash Valley / Trinity Christian	Dyer, Ind.
22	Donovan Chandler	R/L	5-8	155	Parkland College	Schererville, Ind.
23	Jordan Lewis	L/R	6-2	205	Purdue	Escondido, Calif.
26	Fred Smart	R/R	6-4	220	Siena College	Evanston, Ill.

INFIELDERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
2	Brian Seymour	R/R	5-8	151	South Suburban College	Lansing, Ill.
15	Jeremy Wright	R/R	6-0	184	South Suburban / UW Milwaukee	Munster, Ind.
16	Sam Geraci	R/R	5-10	180	Parkland	Steger, Ill.
17	Stefano Belmonte	R/R	6-2	197	South Suburban	Munster, Ind.
30	Alec Barnhart	L/R	6-0	190	St. Xavier / Trinity Christian	Hometown, Ill.

Manager - Adam Enright | Assistant Coach - Aaron Furman

2015 Michigan City Lakers

PITCHERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
10	Casey Young	R/R				
11	Jake Povlock	R/R				Michigan City, Ind.
^{13/32}	Tom Fitzgerald	R/R				Australia
14	Will Rudolphi	R/R				
15	Bobby Humphreys	R/R	6-2	188	Indiana	Chesterton, Ind.
16	Collin Arnold	L/L	6-1	165	Purdue	Lafayette, Ind.
17	Kyle Marburger	R/R			William Woods University	
18	Aery Pratt	R/L				Chesterton, Ind.
20	Christian Bokich	R/R			Miami of Ohio	
26	Adam Dressler	R/R			Purdue	Clarendon Hills, Ill.
32	Jim Catanzarite	R/R				Mishawaka, Ind.
	John Cristo	L/R			Purdue Calumet	Munster, Ind.

CATCHERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
8	Scott Capers	R/R			Valparasio (commit)	
12	Spencer Sutton	R/R	5-9	175	Trine	Chesterton, Ind.
16	Jay Resendez				Purdue North Central	Rensselaer, Ind.

INFIELDERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
1	RJ Zambrano	R/R			Purdue North Central	Merrillville, Ind.
3	Andy Kovarik	R/R	6-3	220	Elgin CC	Crystal Lake, Ill.
4	Chase Clarkson	R/R	5-10	185	Wabash College (commit)	Michigan City, Ind.
5	Jerry Hodges	R/R				Michigan City, Ind.
6	Chris Delgadillo	R/R	5-8	165	IPFW	Schererville, Ind.
7	Anthony Olund				Purdue North Central	Schererville, Ind.
^{7/14}	Tom Bell	R/R				Australia
25	Max Kerr	R/R	6-2	265	Purdue North Central	Chesterton, Ind.
50	KJ Zelenika	R/R				

OUTFIELDERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
2	Colin Willis	L/R	6-1	190	Purdue North Central	Sheboygan, Wis.
9	Greg Fadell	L/L				Valparaiso, Ind.
21	Devin Bafia	L/L			Prairie State	
23	Judah Zickafoose	R/R			Arizona Western College	Westview, Ind.
24	Zeke White	R/R	5-8	165	IPFW	South Bend, Ind.
27	Joe Kennedy	L/L	6-0	170	Eastern Michigan	St. John, Ind.
59	Josh Henderson					
30	Alex VanDam					

Manager - Tim Jahnz | Assistant Coaches - Mike Einstein, Carl Swenson