



Northwest Indiana Oilmen

2014 Game Notes

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TONIGHT'S GAME:

Northwest Indiana Oilmen (17-11, 15-10)
at Southland Vikings (16-10) Doubleheader

July 14 - 5:10 p.m. - Flossmoor, Ill.

Radio: None

Internet: nwioilmen.com (UStream)

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Oilmen News & Notes

For Starters

Rain has wreaked havoc seemingly whenever the Oilmen and Vikings have attempted to play one another this season. Monday was originally scheduled to be an off day for both teams, but instead they will play a doubleheader to make up two games that were previously postponed by inclement weather. The Oilmen and Vikings were originally scheduled to meet on Wednesday, June 11 at Homewood-Flossmoor High School, but that game was postponed until June 30. The June 18 scheduled meeting was postponed until July 14. The make-up game on June 30 was also rained out and rescheduled for July 14, creating Monday's twin bill. This will be the first doubleheader played by the Oilmen this year with two others scheduled for the final two weeks of the regular season.

Inside The Oilmen

The Oilmen will look to get back on track on Monday following a 5-3 loss to DuPage County on Sunday night. Andrew Ray became the first player or coach in Oilmen history to be ejected from a game after a bench-clearing altercation that took place when DuPage's Clayton Johannes barreled into Ray on a play at the plate. Starting pitcher Jimmy McNamara laid down an RBI bunt single in the first at-bat of his Oilmen career. Neither team scored after the fourth inning of Sunday's game. The Oilmen bullpen put together one of its most effective games of the season as Scott Jerge, Andrew Jackson and Andrew Lowe combined for three scoreless innings. Nate Schneider's 10-game hitting streak was snapped as he lifted a fly ball to right field as a pinch hitter in the sixth inning.

Inside the Vikings

The Vikings have already played two doubleheaders this season, taking both games from Joliet on July 6 before dropping both ends of a double dip against Lexington on Sunday. Southland entered Sunday winners of 10 consecutive games, but fell to the Snipes 12-0 and 6-5. The Vikings will be playing a doubleheader for the second straight day. Few teams have found a way to slow down the Southland offense as of late. The Vikings scored 107 runs in nine games leading up to the All-Star Break.

About the Matchup

The Oilmen dominated the head-to-head matchups with Southland in the month of June, but the tides have turned thus far in July. The Oilmen defeated the Vikings on June 3, 12 and 23, but Southland came to Oil City Stadium and picked up victories on July 1, 4 and 5. The most recent meeting was a lopsided 13-3 affair on July 5. The Vikings hold a 15-13 lead in the all-time series between the two teams. After Monday, the Oilmen and Vikings will have one additional regular season meeting, Wednesday, June 23 at Oil City Stadium.

Around the MCL

The top four teams in the standings are all within four games of one another, meaning the race for home-field advantage and first-round playoff matchups will be tightly contested over the next two weeks.

2014 Schedule

05/28	LEXINGTON SNIPES	W 2-1
05/30	@ Joliet Admirals	W 13-2
05/31	@ DuPage County Hounds	L 8-1
06/01	@ Lexington Snipes	L 17-5
06/03	@ Southland Vikings	W 2-0
06/05	DUPAGE COUNTY HOUNDS	L 6-3
06/06	MICHIGAN CITY LAKERS*	L 3-1
06/07	@ Michigan City Lakers*	W 5-4
06/12	SOUTHLAND VIKINGS	W 5-4
06/13	JOLIET ADMIRALS	W 2-1
06/14	CHICAGO ZEPHYRS	W 8-0
06/15	LEXINGTON SNIPES	W 6-3
06/17	MICHIGAN CITY LAKERS*	W 5-3
06/20	JOLIET ADMIRALS	W 1-0
06/22	@ DuPage County Hounds	L 2-1
06/23	SOUTHLAND VIKINGS	W 3-2
06/25	CHICAGO ZEPHYRS	L 11-2
06/26	JOLIET ADMIRALS	L 8-2
06/27	DUPAGE COUNTY HOUNDS	W 5-0
06/28	@ Chicago Zephyrs	W 7-1
06/29	@ Joliet Admirals	W 12-4
07/01	SOUTHLAND VIKINGS	L 14-8
07/03	@ Lexington Snipes	W 9-1
07/04	SOUTHLAND VIKINGS	L 7-3
07/05	SOUTHLAND VIKINGS	L 13-3
07/08	@ Chicago Zephyrs	W 8-0
07/11	LEXINGTON SNIPES	W 4-1
07/13	@ DuPage County Hounds	L 5-3
07/14	@ Southland Vikings	5:10 PM
07/14	@ Southland Vikings	7:30 PM
07/15	DUPAGE COUNTY HOUNDS	7:10 PM
07/16	@ Chicago Zephyrs	5:30 PM
07/17	JOLIET ADMIRALS	7:10 PM
07/18	LEXINGTON SNIPES	7:10 PM
07/19	DUPAGE COUNTY HOUNDS	7:10 PM
07/20	CHICAGO ZEPHYRS	4:10 PM
07/20	CHICAGO ZEPHYRS	6:30 PM
07/22	@ DuPage County Hounds	7:10 PM
07/23	SOUTHLAND VIKINGS	7:10 PM
07/24	@ Joliet Admirals	5:00 PM
07/25	@ Joliet Admirals	5:00 PM
07/26	@ Lexington Snipes	1:00 PM
07/26	@ Lexington Snipes	3:30 PM
07/28	CHICAGO ZEPHYRS	7:10 PM
07/29	MCL Playoffs	TBD
07/30	MCL Playoffs	TBD
07/31	MCL Playoffs	TBD
08/01	MCL Playoffs	TBD
08/02	MCL Playoffs	TBD
08/03	MCL Playoffs	TBD

* - denotes nonleague game
CAPS- denotes home game

NWI Oilmen Fast Facts

Founded/First Season.....2012
 Location.....Whiting, Ind.
 Owners.....Don Popravak, Kim Payne, Ron Kittle
 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.....Justin Huisman (third season)
 All-Time Team Record.....77-42, 70-39 in MCL Games
 Home Record.....52-21 (48-20 in MCL)
 Road Record.....28-20
 Playoff Appearances.....2012, 2013
 Playoff Record.....6-2
 Playoff Home Record.....3-1
 Playoff Road Record.....3-1
 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 will handle play-by-play duties for every Oilmen game this season. Joey Gelman joins Brandon for all home games, while David Bork provides color commentary when the team is on the road. To listen on the internet, click the "Listen Live" tab at the top of the NWIOilmen.com homepage.



Midwest Collegiate League Scoreboard

SATURDAY: DuPage Hounds @ NWI Oilmen ppd. Lexington Snipes @ Southland Vikings ppd. Joliet Admirals @ Chicago Zephyrs ppd. Lexington Snipes @ Chicago Zephyrs ppd.	SUNDAY: DuPage Hounds 5, NWI Oilmen 3 Joliet Admirals @ Chicago Zephyrs DH ppd. Lexington Snipes 12, Southland Vikings 0 Lexington Snipes 6, Southland Vikings 5
MONDAY: NWI Oilmen at Southland Vikings (DH)	TUESDAY: DuPage Hounds @ NWI Oilmen Chicago Zephyrs @ Southland Vikings

Midwest Collegiate League Standings

TEAM	W	L	%	GB	STR
DuPage County Hounds	21	8	0.724	---	W4
Southland Vikings	16	10	0.615	3.5	L2
Lexington Snipes	18	12	0.600	3.5	W2
NWI Oilmen	15	10	0.600	4	L1
Joliet Admirals	5	21	0.192	12.5	L5
Chicago Zephyrs	4	18	0.182	13	L3

X= Clinched Playoff Berth

Y= Clinched Home Field Advantage

E= Eliminated from Playoff Contention

2014 Northwest Indiana Oilmen Roster

PITCHERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
5	Kevin Jones	L/R	5-11	180	Northern Illinois	Portage, Ind.
10	Andrew Jackson	L/L	6-5	210	Wabash College	Wheatfield, Ind
21	Nick Nauracy	R/R	6-1	185	Ohio University	Crown Point, Ind
25	Jimmy McNamara	L/L	6-2	175	Central Michigan	Dyer, Ind.
26	Danny Pobereyko	R/R	6-5	200	Butler University	Munster, Ind.
27	Andrew Lowe	R/R	6-2	220	UW-Whitewater	Whiting, Ind.
28	Keith Mahler	R/R	6-6	185	Heartland Community College	Highland, Ind.
29	Anthony Gomez	L/L	6-0	200	Ball State	Munster, Ind.
30	Aaron Glatt	R/R	6-2	190	University of Dayton	Schererville, Ind.
36	Scott Jerge	R/R	6-0	185	Valparaiso	Munster, Ind.
42	Matt Pobereyko	R/R	6-1	239	Kentucky Wesleyan	Munster, Ind.
43	Cameron Linck	R/R	6-2	175	Hill College	Kingwood, Texas

CATCHERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
19	Zack Jones	R/R	5-11	190	Trinity Christian College	Park Forest, Ill.
23	Andrew Ray	R/R	6-1	195	Northern Illinois University	Michigan City, Ind.
33	Alec Ornelas	R/R	6-1	197	Central Michigan University	Mokena, Ill.

INFIELDERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
2	Ryan Burvan	R/R	5-11	165	Purdue University	Dyer, Ind.
3	Kevin DeFilippis	R/R	6-0	170	University of Notre Dame	Homer Glen, Ill.
13	Nick Vogelmeier	R/R	5-11	165	Western Michigan University	Lake Orion, Mich.
14	James Meeker	R/L	6-4	180	Akron University	Wexford, Penn.
15	Anthony Colosimo	L/L	6-0	185	Purdue Calumet	Lake Forest, Ill.
22	Nate Schneider	R/R	6-2	210	Western Michigan University	Portage, Mich.
24	Brodie Meyer	R/R	6-0	180	Butler University	Palos Heights, Ill.

OUTFIELDERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
1	Craig Dedelow	L/R	6-4	190	Indiana University	Munster, Ind.
7	Larry Crisler	R/R	6-4	190	Indiana University	Gary, Ind.
9	Rob Blissitt, Jr.	R/R	6-3	165	University of Cincinnati	Markham, Ill.
17	Jason Gasser	L/R	6-0	195	Northern Illinois University	Dyer, Ind.

Manager - Justin Huisman | Assistant Coaches - Adam Enright, Mike Coles

2014 Southland Vikings Roster

PITCHERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
1	Brandon White	R/R	6-3	195	Hill Community College	Chicago, Ill.
12	Kevin Halberg	R/R	6-4	200	Grand Valley State University	Lansing, Ill.
14	Richard Fordon	L/L	6-4	215	Northweset University	Flossmoor, Ill.
18	Mike Poulos	R/R	6-5	220	Purdue Calumet	Munster, Ind.
21	Anthony Spangler	R/R	5-11	185	Purdue Calumet	Lansing, Ill.
22	Connor Ryan	R/R	6-1	175	Prairie State College	Homer Glen, Ill.
24	Evan Nietfeldt	R/R	6-5	200	Grand Valley State University	Homewood, Ill.
25	Alex Lesiak	R/R	6-5	220	Parkland College	Tinley Park, Ill.
32	Robby Nunn	R/R	6-4	190	Western Illinois University	Chicago Heights, Ill.
34	Dan Wetzal	R/R	6-2	160	St. Xavier University	Tinley Park, Ill.
38	Justin Freeman	R/R	6-4	195	Southern University	Olympia Fields, Ill.
44	Zac Miller	R/R	6-2	200	Purdue Calumet	White Pigeon, Mich.
45	Tyler House	L/L	6-5	215	University of Missouri	Chicago, Ill.

CATCHERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
11	Alex Lugo	R/R	5-11	210	Western Oklahoma State	Chicago, Ill.
28	Nate Ruzich	R/R	6-2	200	Northern Illinois University	Joliet, Ill.

INFIELDERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
6	Micah Rooke	R/R	5-10	185	Purdue Calumet	Whiting, Ind.
10	Bobby Sheppard	R/R	5-11	180	University of Buffalo	Orland Park, Ill.
19	Stefano Belmante	R/R	6-0	200	South Suburban / Purdue	Chicago, Ill.
20	Jeff Boehm	L/L	6-1	215	University of Illinois-Chicago	Lansing, Ill.

OUTFIELDERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
2	Rob Ciffelli	L/L	5-6	160	John Caroll University	Chicago Heights, Ill.
3	Steve Letz	R/R	6-0	185	Northern Illinois University	Dyer, Ind.
5	Chase Fieldhouse	R/R	6-0	185	Kaskaskia College	St. John, Ind.
15	Brandon Mallder	L/L	6-0	185	Northern Illinois University	Bridgeview, Ill.
22	Chris Sujka	R/R	5-10	190	Indiana University	Oak Forest, Ill.
27	Dan Potempa	R/R	5-11	230	University of Iowa	Tinley Park, Ill.

Manager - Chris Cunningham | Pitching Coach - Marvin Freeman

2014 Northwest Indiana Oilmen Stats

Batting												
Player	AVG	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	HBP	SB
McNamara	1.000	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Dedelow	.351	15	57	14	20	7	1	0	11	8	2	5
Schneider	.316	24	79	11	25	6	0	0	13	9	4	7
Gasser	.303	21	76	10	23	7	1	0	11	14	0	3
Burvan	.262	22	84	12	22	3	0	0	4	14	0	2
Meeker	.259	21	81	9	21	2	0	1	9	11	0	1
Blissitt	.257	21	74	7	19	2	0	0	6	6	1	2
Crisler	.226	9	31	8	7	2	0	0	2	5	3	4
Ornelas	.225	20	71	5	16	3	0	0	8	5	4	1
DeFilippis	.216	23	88	19	19	5	0	0	9	9	2	6
Jones, Z.	.210	19	62	8	13	2	1	0	8	15	1	2
Colosimo	.204	17	54	4	11	0	0	0	6	11	2	1
Vogelmeier	.189	24	74	14	14	2	0	0	4	16	1	4
Ray	.180	18	50	5	9	0	0	2	6	9	2	0
Meyer	.000	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0

Pitching									
Pitchers	IP	R	ER	BB	K	W	L	SV	ERA
Jones, K	2	0	0	2	3	0	0	0	0.00
Pobereyko, M	14.1	1	1	4	26	0	0	9	0.62
Linck	36	8	7	15	34	4	1	0	1.75
Jerge	19.2	5	4	6	9	0	0	0	1.83
Mahler	33	12	10	5	26	2	4	0	2.72
Jackson	9	6	3	9	9	1	0	0	3.00
Gomez	11	12	7	8	12	1	0	1	3.93
Lowe	11	6	5	6	15	0	0	0	4.09
McNamara	33	18	15	2	28	3	2	0	4.09
Pobereyko, D	26.1	12	12	3	32	3	2	0	4.10
Nauracy	28.1	24	18	11	36	3	2	0	5.71
Glatt	7.2	9	8	4	5	0	0	0	9.39