

Northwest Indiana Oilmen 2014 Game Notes

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TONIGHT'S GAME:

Southland Vikings (13-8) at Northwest Indiana Oilmen (15-9, 13-8)

GAME 25

July 5 - 7:10 p.m. - Whiting, Ind.

Radio: None

Internet: nwioilmen.com (UStream)



Oilmen News & Notes

For Starters

The Oilmen and Vikings are set to meet for the second straight day following Southland's 7-3 victory on Friday. This is the only time all season at that the Oilmen play back-to-back home games against the same opponent on consecutive days. The Oilmen committed five errors in yesterday's loss, the third time they have made five errors in one game this season.

<u>Inside The Oilmen</u>

The Oilmen hitters have fallen victim to strikeouts on a regular basis this season. Northwest Indiana has the most strikeouts by an offense in the league with 175. Lexington has the lowest number with 133, just better than Southland's 135. Nate Schneider singled in the ninth inning yesterday to extend his hitting streak to seven games. Craig Dedelow has hit safely in five straight and 11 of his last 12. Cameron Linck has gone at least five innings and allowed two earned runs or fewer in all six of his starts this season. The Oilmen and Chicago Zephyrs are the only two teams that have yet to hit a home run in a Midwest Collegiate League game this year. The Oilmen have two homers, but both came in a nonleague game against the Michigan City Lakers.

Inside the Vikings

The Vikings are the hottest team in the Midwest Collegiate League after extending their winning streak to five games on Friday night. Southland leads the league in runs scored with 124, home runs with 12, doubles with 49, hits with 210 and batting average at .305. Bobby Sheppard leads the league in batting average at .441 and ranks second in RBIs with 15. Dan Potempa is second in the league in home runs with four, two of which came against the Oilmen on Tuesday night.

About the Matchup

The Vikings holds a 14-13 lead in the all-time series against the Oilmen. The Vikings have rattled off back-to-back wins over the Oilmen this week on Tuesday and Saturday. The Oilmen won all three matchups in June, but the Vikings have thus far dominated the July portion of the season series. The Vikings and Oilmen will meet three additional times this season, a doubleheader on July 14 at Homewood-Flossmoor High School and a game at Oil City Stadium on July 23.

Around the MCL

The winner of Saturday's game will take over sole possession of second place in the Midwest Collegiate League standings. The winner of the game will also pull within 2.5 games of the DuPage County Hounds, who have the day off. The Joliet Admirals and Lexington Snipes will complete a suspended game on Saturday at High Desert Field before playing two additional seven-inning contests as part of a scheduled doubleheader.

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		W 5-4
06/07	@ Michigan City Lakers* SOUTHLAND VIKINGS	W 5-4 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	7:10 PM
07/06	@ Chicago Zephyrs	12:00 PM
07/08	@ Chicago Zephyrs	5:30 PM
07/09	MCL ALL-STAR GAME	7:30 PM
07/11	LEXINGTON SNIPES	7:10 PM
07/12	DUPAGE COUNTY HOUNDS	7:10 PM
07/13	@ DuPage County Hounds	6:00 PM
07/14	@ Southland Vikings	5:10 PM
07/14	@ Southland Vikings	7:10 PM
07/15	ILLINOIS SPARKS*	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	6:10 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 MCL Playoffs	7:10 PM
07/29		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 Season2012
LocationWhiting, Ind.
OwnersDon Popravak, Kim Payne, Ron Kittle
Phone219-659-1000
Websitenwioilmen.com
ColorsBlack and Gold
Home Field (Capacity)Oil City Stadium (1,300)
Stadium Address1700 119th Street, Whiting, IN 46394
ManagerJustin Huisman (third season)
All-Time Team Record7540, 68-37 in MCL Games
Home Record51-20 (47-19 in MCL)
Road Record
Playoff Appearances2012, 2013
Playoff Record6-2
Playoff Home Record3-1
Playoff Road Record3-1
MCL Championship Appearances2012, 2013
Midwest Collegiate League Titles2012

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

THURSDAY: NWI Oilmen 9, Lexington Snipes 1	FRIDAY: Southland Vikings 7, NWI Oilmen 3
SATURDAY: Southland Vikings @ NWI Oilmen Joliet Admirals @ Lexington Snipes (x3)	SUNDAY: NWI Oilmen @ Chicago Zephyrs DuPage Hounds @ Lexington Snipes (DH) Joliet Admirals at Southland Vikings

Midwest Collegiate League Standings

TEAM	W	L	%	GB	STR
DuPage County Hounds	17	6	0.739		L1
NWI Oilmen	13	8	0.619	3	L1
Southland Vikings	13	8	0.619	3	W5
Lexington Snipes	12	9	0.571	4	L3
Chicago Zephyrs	4	16	0.200	11.5	L1
Joliet Admirals	4	16	0.200	11.5	L2

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
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.
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 Wetzel	R/R	6-2	160	St. Xavier University	Tinley Park, Ill.
38	Justin Freeman	R/R	6-4	195	Southern University	Olmpia 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.
14	Jake Hickey	R/R	6-0	185	South Suburban College	Frankfort, Ill.
28	Nate Ruzich	R/R	6-2	200	Northern Illinois University	Joliet, Ill.

INFIELDERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
	Kendall King	R/R	5-10	145	Western Illinois University	Flossmoor, Ill.
6	Micah Rooke	R/R	5-10	185	Purdue Calumet	Whiting, Ind.
10	Bobby Shepard	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	Н	2B	3B	HR	RBI	ВВ	HBP	SB
Dedelow	.367	12	49	10	18	7	1	0	10	4	1	4
Gasser	.333	17	63	8	21	7	1	0	11	10	0	1
Schneider	.309	20	68	9	21	5	0	0	10	8	3	6
Burvan	.292	19	72	10	21	3	0	0	4	13	0	2
Crisler	.250	8	28	8	7	2	0	0	2	5	2	4
Meeker	.242	17	66	6	16	1	0	1	7	9	0	1
Blissitt	.238	18	63	7	15	1	0	0	5	6	1	2
Jones	.226	16	53	6	12	2	1	0	8	13	0	2
Ornelas	.222	18	63	5	14	3	0	0	8	4	4	1
DeFilippis	.213	20	75	17	16	5	0	0	9	0	2	6
Vogelmeier	.185	21	65	14	12	2	0	0	4	16	1	4
Colosimo	.170	15	47	4	8	0	0	0	5	9	2	1
Ray	.170	15	47	4	8	0	0	1	4	9	2	2

Pitching									
Pitchers	IP	R	ER	BB	K	W	L	SV	ERA
Pobereyko, M	12.1	1	1	3	21	0	0	8	0.73
Linck	36	8	7	15	34	4	1	0	1.75
Mahler	29	7	5	5	22	2	3	0	1.55
Jerge	17.2	5	4	5	9	0	0	0	2.03
Jackson	7	6	3	7	8	1	0	0	3.86
McNamara	21.1	12	9	1	21	2	1	0	3.79
Lowe	9	6	5	5	14	0	0	0	5.00
Pobereyko, D	20.1	12	12	3	22	2	2	0	5.31
Nauracy	20.1	18	12	8	27	2	2	9	5.31
Gomez	11.2	9	7	7	10	1	0	1	5.40
Glatt	7.2	9	8	4	5	0	0	0	9.39