



Northwest Indiana Oilmen 2018 Game Notes

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FRIDAY'S GAME:
Southland Vikings (15-7)
at NWI Oilmen (16-13)

July 6 - 7:10 p.m. (CT) - Whiting, Ind.
Oil City Stadium
Broadcast: Facebook Live

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2018 Schedule

5/28	@ Crestwood Panthers	W 15-4
5/29	@ Bloomington Bobcats	L 5-0
6/1	@ Southland Vikings	L 7-1
6/2	@ Joliet Generals	L 14-12
6/3	@ Bloomington Bobcats	L 12-7
6/5	DUPAGE COUNTY HOUNDS	L 10-4
6/6	CRESTWOOD PANTHERS	W 13-4
6/7	SOUTHLAND VIKINGS	L 13-10
6/8	JOLIET GENERALS	L 16-11
6/9	BLOOMINGTON BOBCATS	W 13-4
6/12	@ Crestwood Panthers	W 7-6
6/13	@ Southland Vikings	L 6-0
6/14	JOLIET GENERALS	W 8-4
6/15	BLOOMINGTON BOBCATS	W 11-5
6/16	DUPAGE COUNTY HOUNDS	W 11-3
6/17	CRESTWOOD PANTHERS	W 8-0
6/17	CRESTWOOD PANTHERS	W 6-5
6/20	@ Joliet Generals	W 13-9
6/23	CRESTWOOD PANTHERS	W 8-2
6/24	SOUTHLAND VIKINGS	W 9-3
6/27	BLOOMINGTON BOBCATS	L 8-0
6/28	DUPAGE COUNTY HOUNDS	L 5-2
6/29	CRESTWOOD PANTHERS	W 8-6
6/30	SOUTHLAND VIKINGS	W 5-4
7/1	JOLIET GENERALS (DH)	W 3-2
7/1	JOLIET GENERALS (DH)	W 5-2
7/2	DUPAGE COUNTY HOUNDS	L 13-5
7/3	@ Bloomington Bobcats (DH)	L 10-8
7/3	@ Bloomington Bobcats (DH)	L 13-3
7/5	@ Crestwood Panthers	ppd
7/6	SOUTHLAND VIKINGS	7:10 p.m.
7/7	JOLIET GENERALS	6:10 p.m.
7/8	BLOOMINGTON BOBCATS	1 p.m.
7/8	BLOOMINGTON BOBCATS	4 p.m.
7/10	@ Joliet Generals (DH)	4 p.m.
7/10	@ Joliet Generals (DH)	to follow
7/11	@ Bloomington Bobcats	6 p.m.
7/12	@ Southland Vikings	3 p.m.
7/12	@ Southland Vikings	5 p.m.
7/13	DUPAGE COUNTY HOUNDS (DH)	4 p.m.
7/13	DUPAGE COUNTY HOUNDS (DH) G2	
7/14	MCL All-Star Game#	7:10 p.m.
7/16	@ DuPage County Hounds	5 p.m.
7/17-7-22	IBC#	TBD
7/24	SOUTHLAND VIKINGS	7:10 p.m.
7/25	JOLIET GENERALS	7:10 p.m.
7/26	@ DuPage County Hounds	5 p.m.
7/27	@ DuPage County Hounds	5 p.m.
7/28	@ Crestwood Panthers	Noon
7/28	@ Crestwood Panthers	3 p.m.
7/29	@ DuPage County Hounds	1 p.m.
7/31-8/5	MCL Playoffs	TBD

ALL CAPS = Home Games, Played at Oil City Stadium

= special event, hosted at Oil City Stadium

For Starters

A scheduled off day on Wednesday and a rainout on Thursday provided a much-needed break for an Oilmen team that had played nine games in seven days without a day off. Now, the Oilmen will look to get back on track as they try to snap a three-game losing streak that has seen them allow 36 runs over three games. Four home games over the next three days will provide a chance for the Oilmen to turn it back around as they continue a busy month of July. A short-handed Oilmen team dropped the first game of Tuesday's doubleheader 10-8 to Bloomington before position players pitching for NWI permitted the Bobcats to pull away for a 13-3 victory in the second game. Zaid Walker was the star of the day for the Oilmen, going 4-for-6 with a double, home run and five RBIs over the two games.

Inside the Oilmen

The Oilmen will send Alex Voss to the mound for Friday's date with Southland. He'll look to sustain the success he enjoyed in his last start, when he issued no walks and struck out four while yielding two runs (one earned) on six hits in seven innings against the Vikings on Saturday, June 30. That marked Voss' first start of the summer, but he has also made three relief appearances. For the season, the incoming Butler freshman owns a 1.42 ERA and 2-0 record in 12 2/3 innings. He's issued just one walk and struck out eight. The Walker home run on Tuesday was already the team's 14th of the summer, tying last season for third in single-season franchise history for team home runs. The Oilmen need one more big fly to tie 2016 for second and three more to match 2015 for the most home runs in a single season. Before Adam Enright took over the Oilmen in 2015, the team had no more than 10 home runs in any one season. Since, they've had 14 or more in all four seasons. The Oilmen lead the league in home runs, followed by DuPage County with 11.

Inside the Vikings

In shocking news, John Hendry will not start on the mound for the Southland Vikings on Friday night. The right-handed hurler has pitched four of the first five games against the Oilmen this season, but NWI will see a different face on Friday as they'll take their hacks against left-hander Anthony Rogers, a former Chicago Catholic League All-Conference and All-Academic team selection who won three letters at Montini Catholic before continuing his career at Concordia Chicago, where he just completed his freshman season. Rogers owns a 2.35 ERA and 4-0 record with one save this summer for Southland. The Vikings were rained out at DuPage County on Thursday haven't played since Sunday, when they beat Bloomington 10-9.

About the Matchup

The last time these two teams got together, Voss pitched the Oilmen to a 5-4 victory. That was one of four one-run games the Oilmen have played this season, all victories. Hunter Thorn spanked a two-run homer in the first inning to start the scoring. That victory allowed the Oilmen to gain a 32-31 edge in the all-time series with the Vikings. Southland still holds a 3-2 advantage in the season series.

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 (1,500)
 Stadium Address.....1700 119th Street, Whiting, IN 46394
 Manager.....Adam Enright (2015-present)
 All-Time Team Record.....197-120 (.621)
 Playoff Appearances....2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017
 Playoff Record.....11-9
 MCL Championship Appearances.....2012, 2013, 2016
 Midwest Collegiate League Titles.....2012, 2016

Oilmen Broadcasting Network

Can't make it out to the game? Catch all the action this season with a live video stream available via Facebook Live. Brandon Vickrey is back for another season as the team's play-by-play broadcaster. This year, he'll be joined by Sam Michel (home games) and Dan Harty (road games). Be sure to "like" the Northwest Indiana Oilmen on Facebook and follow along all summer long to check out live action from Oil City Stadium.

Midwest Collegiate League Scoreboard

TUESDAY: Bobcats 10, Oilmen 8 Bobcats 13, Oilmen 3 Generals 11, Hounds 4	THURSDAY: Oilmen at Panthers, ppd Vikings at Hounds, ppd
FRIDAY: Bobcats at Hounds, 5 p.m. Generals at Panthers, 7 p.m. Vikings at Oilmen, 7:10 p.m.	SATURDAY: Hounds at Panthers, noon (DH) Vikings at Bobcats, 6 p.m. Generals at Oilmen, 6:10 p.m.

Midwest Collegiate League Standings

TEAM	W	L	%	GB	STR
DC Hounds	19	8	.704	---	L1
Southland Vikings	15	7	.682	1.5	W1
NWI Oilmen	16	13	.552	4	L3
Bloomington Bobcats	13	14	.481	6	W2
Joliet Generals	8	15	.348	9	W1
Crestwood Panthers	5	19	.208	12.5	L1

X= Clinched Playoff Berth

Y= Clinched Home Field Advantage in First Round

E= Eliminated from Playoff Contention

2018 Northwest Indiana Oilmen Roster

PITCHERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
3	Connor Spear	R/R	5-10	175	UW Whitewater	Highland, Ind.
14	Anthony Robles	L/L	6-1	195	College of DuPage	Oak Lawn, Ill.
17	Bobby Nowak	R/R	6-4	180	Kankakee CC	Cedar Lake, Ind.
18	Max Franklin	R/R	6-3	190	Heartland	Chicago Heights, Ill.
26	Brendan Kelly	R/R	6-0	190	Purdue Northwest	Grandville, Mich.
28	Andrew Hancock	R/R	6-6	190	Evansville	New Lenox, Ill.
30	Alex Voss	R/R	6-4	185	Butler	South Bend, Ind.
31	Pedro Rodriguez	R/R	6-0	220	Tusculum	Kissimmee, Fla.
32	Sawyer Allen	L/L	6-0	180	Hillsdale College	Fair Oaks, Ind.
33	Nick Wolf	R/R	6-5	220	McHenry County	Valparaiso, Ind.
37	George Sherman	L/L	6-3	245	Dominican	Skokie, Ill.
42	Chad Patrick	R/R	6-1	180	Purdue Northwest	Hebron, Ind.
45	Christian Howell	R/R	6-1	165	Trinity Christian	Aurora, Ill.

CATCHERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
12	Hunter Thorn	R/R	5-11	180	Purdue Northwest	Portage, Ind.
19	Jake Perreira	R/R	5-9	210	University of Indianapolis	Grant Park, Ill.
23	Nate Montgomery	R/R	6-1	200	Tusculum	Geneva, Ill.

OUTFIELDERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
	Amir Wright	L/L	5-10	185	St. Leo	Griffith, Ind.
1	Nick Figus	R/R	5-11	175	Illinois Wesleyan	Frankfort, Ill.
8	Cory Krolikowski	L/R	5-8	190	Minnesota Duluth	Bartlett, Ill.
24	Chris Baker	L/R	6-0	185	Trinity Christian	South Holland, Ill.
29	Tom Kelley	R/R	6-1	210	Miami (OH)	Orland Park, Ill.
35	Zaid Walker	R/R	6-2	215	Michigan State	Flossmoor, Ill.

INFIELDERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
9	Tommy Farrell	L/L	6-3	190	UIC	Chicago, Ill.
2	Jackson Dvorak	R/R	6-1	230	South Suburban	New Lenox, Ill.
7	Patrick Hayes	R/R	6-0	175	Illinois State	Chicago, Ill.
11	Tyler Kenjic	R/R	6-1	190	Purdue Northwest	Hobart, Ind.
16	CJ Deshazer	S/R	5-10	170	Heartland	Schaumburg, Ill.
21	Brandon Petkoff	L/R	6-3	185	Texas A&M Corpus Cristi	Frankfort, Ill.
22	Brendan Butler	R/R	6-0	190	Upper Iowa	Oak Lawn, Ill.
41	Jake Plastiak	S/R	6-3	200	Wichita State	Tinley Park, Ill.
43	Eric Yachinich	R/R	6-0	200	Minnesota Duluth	Ashland, Wis.

Manager - Adam Enright | Assistant Coaches - Matt Vitulli, Frank Podkul

2018 Southland Vikings

PITCHERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
	Anthony Rogers	L/L	6-2	205	Concordia	Bolingbrook, Ill.
	Chase Pearce	R/R	6-0	185	Oakton CC	Kokomo, Ind.
6	Ben Jacobs	R/R	5-10	175	Milikin University	Naperville, Ill.
11	Kyle Hallberg	L/L	5-10	175	South Suburban	Lansing, Ill.
12	Robert Keating	R/R	5-5	155	Moraine Valley CC	Orland Park, Ill.
15	Mike Rios	R/R	5-9	165	St. Rita HS	
17	Justin Ruthrauff	L/L	5-9	165	Mesa CC	Chicago, Ill.
25	John Hendry	R/R	6-3	225	University of Indianapolis	Park Ridge, Ill.
32	Justin Rios	L/R	5-8	175	North Central College	

CATCHERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
13	Victor Perez	R/R	5-10	175	Heartland CC	Gurnee, Ill.
21	Jake Zylman	R/R	5-10	185	Heartland CC	Blue Island, Ill.
28	Will Smithey	R/R	6-0	175	University of Indianapolis	Greenwood, Ind.
30	Andy Lopez	R/R	6-0	200	Lincoln Land	Chicago, Ill.

INFIELDERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
	Shakur Jackson	R/R	5-10	180	Heartland CC	Rock Island, Ill.
4	PJ Raines	R/R	5-9	150	IMG Academy	Chicago, Ill.
5	Dashon Moore	R/R	5-8	160	South Suburban	Dolton, Ill.
8	Kellen Quigley	L/R	5-11	185	Webster	Bolingbrook, Ill.
12	Nick McAlister	R/R	5-9	150	South Suburban	Homewood, Ill.
18	Angel Figueroa	S/R	5-8	165	Carl Sundburg	East Chicago, Ind.
19	Frank Napleton	R/R	6-3	190	St. Leo	Chicago, Ill.
29	Jon Jungr	R/R	6-1	180	Eastern Illinois	Yorkville, Ill.
29	Logan Anderson	R/R	6-1	210	South Suburban	Chicago, Ill.
31	Dylan Smith	R/R	6-1	215	Kishwaukee CC	Farina, Ill.
35	Joe Curci	R/R	6-3	205	Rollins College	Chicago, Ill.

OUTFIELDERS

#	NAME	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN
9	Jarrett Lopez	R/R	6-0	170	Indiana Tech	St. John, Ind.
16	David Gleaves	R/R	6-0	165	South Suburban	Chicago, Ill.
23	Thomas Smith	R/R	6-0	165	Bethel	Merrillville, Ind.
26	Gabe Yearian	L/R	6-1	175	Kishwaukee CC	Pickneyville, Ill.
27	Matt Colomes	R/R	5-10	210	University of Antelope Valley	Griffith, Ind.

Manager - Dave Letourneau