

Wisconsin Rapids Witter Field & Baseball Timeline 1840 – 1902

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| Robert Bloomer buys future site of Witter Field From U.S. government | 1840 | Alexander Worden creates horse racing track on site. | 1870s | Fair discontinued. Land sells to City of Grand Rapids, now known as Wisconsin Rapids. | 1897 | High school built on land. field becomes known as Lincoln Athletic Field. | 1902 |
| | 1856 | Unsuccessful land sale to Milwaukee and Horicon Railroad Company. Land transfers to local businessman Alexander Worden. | | Land sold to Cornelia Jackson who sells it to Wood County Agricultural & Mechanical Association for \$650. First fair held on site soon after. | | | |
| | 1876 | | | | | | |

Wisconsin Rapids Witter Field & Baseball Timeline 1926 – 1953

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| City's Common Council adopts resolution Council old fairgrounds general communi- recreational purposes". | 1926 | Common Council construction designating and entrance of field gateway high school. | Lights installed at Witter Field. | Common Council changes field name to Witter Field to honor Isaac Witter. | Wisconsin Rapids White Sox stop playing at Witter Field due to World War II. | Metal grandstand constructed, replacing wooden bleachers. | Lincoln H.S. begins playing at Witter Field. | Chicago White Sox leave Wisconsin Rapids. |
| | Late 1920s | Isaac Witter contributes money for field development. City and school add money from field grandstand. South Side ball park support | | | Chicago White Sox start affiliate team - Wisconsin Rapids White Sox. | | | |
| | 1933 | | | | | | | |
| | 1934 | 1934 Witter Field Dedication. Chicago firemen team vs. local team. August Miller throws the first pitch. | | | | | | |
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| | 1940 | 1940-1942 | | | | | | |
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Wisconsin Rapids Witter Field & Baseball Timeline 1963 – 1980

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| 1963 | Washington Senators bring minor league team to Witter Field for one season. Wisconsin Rapids fireworks held at Witter Field. | Local Tom Metcalf plays for New York Yankees. |
| 1964 | Minnesota Twins establish Midwest League affiliate team – Midwest Rapids Twins – at Witter Field. | Witter Field hosts Midwest League All-Star game. |
| 1967 | Witter Field hosts Midwest League All-Star game. | Glen Campbell Concert held at Witter Field, sponsored by First National Bank |
| 1971 | American Legion program introduced at Witter Field, with Wisconsin Rapids Rangers. | “Moe” Hill wins Triple Crown in “MVL.” |
| 1973 | Witter Field hosts Midwest League All-Star game. | Minnesota Twins unsuccessfully attempt to leave Wisconsin Rapids. |
| 1976 | Assumption H.S. begins playing at Witter Field. | 1980's Wisconsin Rapids, including Gary Gaetti, Kent Hrbek and Jim Eisenreich. |
| 1977 | Assumption H.S. begins playing at Witter Field All-Star game. | Wisconsin Legion introduced Wisconsin Rapids Ramblers. |
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Wisconsin Rapids Witter Field & Baseball Timeline 1983 – 2010

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| Signs appear on outfield fence as a source of revenue for American Legion teams. | 1983 | Fall 1983 | Minnesota Twins sever working agreement with Wisconsin Rapids Team leaves community. |
| Rangers Rebels started. | 1984 | 1984 | Pepsi of Wisconsin Rapids installed electric scoreboard. Legion donated installed and wired to press box. |
| Rangers are American Legion Triple AAA State Champions. | 1988 | | |
| American Legion builds concession stands. | 1995 | | Rangers are American Legion Triple AAA State Champions |
| American Legion builds new press box. | 2006 | | WIAC State tournament hosted. |
| Wisconsin Rapids Rafters team introduced - will play in Northwoods Summer baseball league, an NCAA team. | January 2010 | | NCAA Regional tournaments hosted. |
| Wisconsin Rapids Rafters begin play at Witter Field. | June 2010 | | City crews begin installing 234 seats from Milwaukee County Stadium. |
| Witter Field hosts Northwoods League All-Star Game. | July 2011 | | Former Twin, Elmore "Moe" Hill returns to Witter Field, where Northwoods League officials retire his number. |