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What a phenomenal 2004 season the Majors had. We went from a team that no one was worried about during the regular season to league championship finalists and a real giant killer in the playoffs; knocking off Kitchener in 7 games, Toronto in 5 games before finally succumbing to Guelph in the finals. It was a great feeling from being the owner of the team, but also from being a fan of the game. I can't even begin to describe the electricity in the air during our home games in the playoffs. For that brief period in time all the talk was about the incredible run that the Majors were on and speculating on far we were going to go. I can't wait to see the story lines being played out this season.

Last season's miracle run can be directly attributed to the commitment of the players, coaching staff, sponsors, volunteers and most importantly the fans. Without the fans being there to cheer on the home team the game is not quite the same. It loses something special; the passion of a story the way that only a fan can tell the story. Thankfully we had the ongoing support of our fans throughout the playoff and the media were there to pass along the message for the fans that were not at the ball park. Hearing the stories of some new fans, some younger fans and some die hard fans was exciting as they all had their very own perception of what made the game exciting. I'd like to think that there are many different levels to a ball game and hopefully our attempts to please people at different levels will feel them wanting to keep coming back for the experience.

I would like to extend my thanks and gratitude to the fine people that help our team on and off the field. Without their support, all that we accomplished in my first year of ownership would not have been possible. To the fans that show their support and make our players want to play harder, to the sponsors that show their support by supporting their community team, to the City staff that supply us with the best facility in the league, to the media who spread the successes of the team to the rest of the community...I thank you!

It is that time again to start a new quest for the Intercounty Championship and we hope you enjoy the 2005 season!



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Majors Game Schedule

Majors Home

Day	Date	Team	Time
Sun	May 15, 2005	Guelph	1:00 pm
Mon	May 23, 2005	Stratford	1:00pm
Fri	May 27, 2005	Kitchener	7:30pm
Sun	June 5, 2005	Guelph	1:00pm
Fri	June 10, 2005	Kitchener	7:30pm
Sun	June 12, 2005	Barrie	1:00pm
Sun	June 19, 2005	Brantford	1:00pm
Fri	June 24, 2005	Hamilton	7:30pm
Sun	June 26, 2005	Oshawa	1:00pm
Fri	July 1, 2005	Toronto	5:00pm
Fri	July 8, 2005	Kitchener	7:30pm
Sun	July 10, 2005	Stratford	1:00pm
Fri	July 15, 2005	Hamilton	7:30pm
Sun	July 17, 2005	Brantford	1:00pm
Fri	July 22, 2005	Stratford	7:30pm

Away

Day	Date	Team	Time
Sat.	May 14, 2005	Brantford	2:00pm
Tues	May 24, 2005	Guelph	7:45pm
Sat.	May 28, 2005	Stratford	2:00pm
Sun	May 29, 2005	Toronto	1:00pm
Wed	June 1, 2005	Hamilton	7:30pm
Thur	June 2, 2005	Kitchener	7:30pm
Sat.	June 4, 2005	Barrie	1:00pm
Wed	June 8, 2005	Hamilton	7:30pm
Sat.	June 18, 2005	Oshawa	2:00pm
Thur	June 23, 2005	Stratford	7:30pm
Wed	June 29, 2005	Brantford	8:00pm
Sun.	July 3, 2005	Hamilton	2:00pm
Thur	July 14, 2005	Kitchener	7:30pm
Sat.	July 16, 2005	Guelph	7:45pm
Wed	July 20, 2005	Brantford	8:00pm



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2. Catcher
3. First Baseman
4. Second Baseman
5. Third Baseman

6. Shortstop
7. Left Fielder
8. Centre Fielder
9. Right Fielder
DH. Designated Hitter

Single —
Double ==
Triple ===
Home Run ====
Sacrifice - SH
Walk - BB

Strikeout - K
Balk - BK
Foul Fly - F
Fielders Choice - FC
Hit by Pitcher - HP
Wild Pitch - WP

Passed Ball - PB
Stolen Base - SB
Force Out - FO
Double Play - DP
Error - E
Sacrifice Fly - SF

AWAY

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Pitchers

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 "Then it doesn't matter which way you walk," said the Cat.

Alice's Adventure in Wonderland
 Lewis Carroll

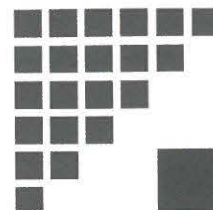
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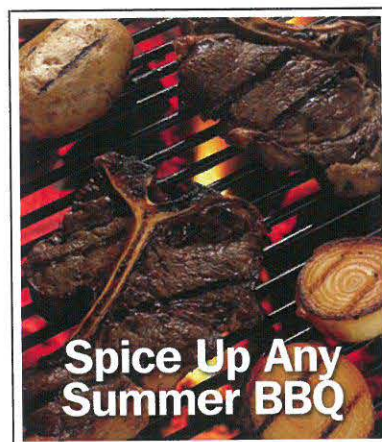
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By Eric Bender

It's a storied team - these London Majors along with their symbiotic relationship with Labatt Park. Established in 1925, a full 80 years ago, the franchise has brought championships and some of the most famous and slightly infamous players to toe the rubber on the memorial park mound.

We're thinking of the likes of Denny McLain, Ferguson Jenkins and Mike Kilkenny. We're thinking of the 1948 Majors who won the National Baseball Congress North American sandlot championship in a thrilling series with turn-away crowds over Fort Wayne, Ind. It was a team recently inducted to the London Sports Hall of Fame.

But the mainstays were the heart of the Majors over the decades. Names such as Tommy White, Jack Fairs, Russ Evon, Whitey Laphorne, Norm Aldridge, Dave Beyers, Larry Haggitt and Roy McKay come readily to mind among others. The team was once owned by former New York Yankee Frank Colman.

The Intercounty Baseball League has been another Majors' long-standing relationship. It was established in 1919, just six years before the Majors took the field.

The grass inside the fence is just as green at Labatt Park as the latest chapter of the Majors strides into its second season.

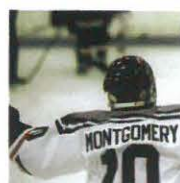
Last year Scott Dart took hold of this slice of London's heritage when he bought the team from Arden Eddie who was more than a stalwart in the IBL having begun play with the Majors in 1969 and purchasing the team in 1976 a year after the Majors had won their last league title. It was a franchise that outlasted the coming of the Detroit Tiger AAA affiliate London Tigers, the London Werewolves and, briefly, the London Monarchs.

The faces of the players on the diamond this year are sparkling with anticipation after a superb playoff run last year that caught the breath of the city and made other league cities take notice. In the end the squad bowed out to the Guelph Royals but not after knocking out the powerful Kitchener Panthers and the Toronto Maple Leafs.

Dart, who dabbled in the Intercounty as a player and is now headlong into it as an owner, eked out last year's success with a minimal staff on and off the field.

This year there's a devoted general manager in the fold in Shawn Gillespie, a pitcher originally from Zurich with wide baseball connections. And the new field manager is Harry Muir, a former Blue Jays farmhand, also a pitcher, who was pitching coach last year and responsible for massaging a short listed pitching roster to that incredible playoff run.

Watch this year for more depth on the mound, a bunch of new arms and the return of most of the infield that is the heart beat of the new era for the boys in the London pinstripes.



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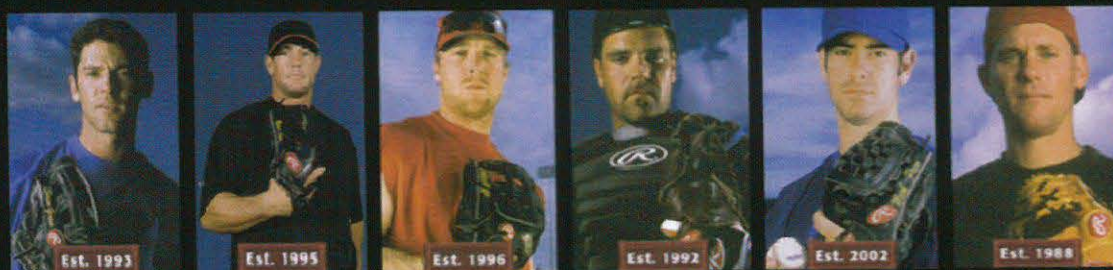
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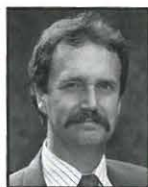
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