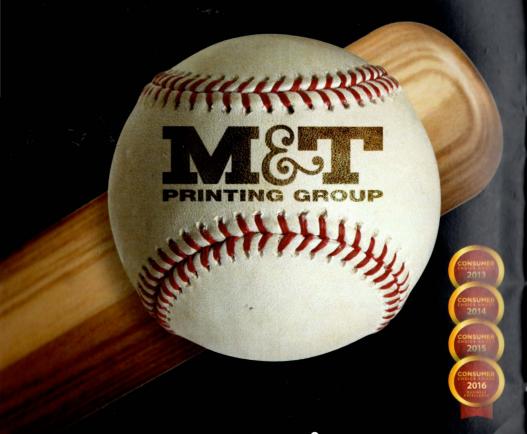


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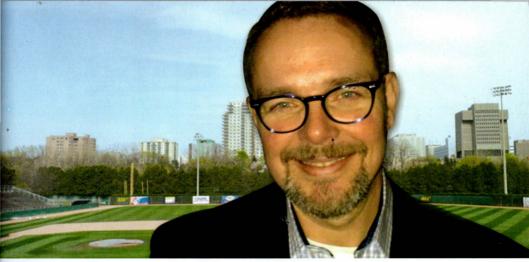
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## President's

#### Message

We welcome everyone to the Majors' 95th season since joining the Intercounty Baseball League (IBL).

This past season was one of highs and lows. The team had a great group of players that did well in the regular season, but we were one out away from moving into the semi-finals in our quarter final matchup with the Hamilton Cardinals. Congrats to them for a greatly improved team and one that scratched and clawed their way to the chance to move into the semifinals. Mother Nature seemed to work against us for most of the season, and forced us to reschedule quite a few games throughout the wetter than usual summer.

So after going through some of our season lows, let's review some of our prouder moments in the 2018 season. Cleveland Brownlee became the all-time leader for home runs for the London Majors by passing the great Dave Byers. Cleveland added to an amazing season by leading the league in fittingly enough, home runs, as well as runs batted in. We had players in the Top 10 for all of the performance categories such as batting average, home runs, runs batted in, pitching wins, strikeouts and earned run average. The London Majors were well represented by leading the league in three of the six categories.

Off the field, we continue to support local service organizations that would be too numerous to mention all of them. Probably our favourite is the London Police Services — Joe Rookie League, which helps to bring kids from social housing to play baseball while building life skills about teamwork, peer pressure and bullying. The London Majors in conjunction with our co-sponsors; Joe Kool's, Middlesex London Housing Corporation and Forest City Slo-pitch, give freely of our time and resources because all kids deserve the chance to have fun without the barriers attached to the economic realities within our community. So on behalf of all the kids participating and their families — well done London Police Services!

As every sports team tries to get better on the field, so does our team off the field. We are more engaging with our social media than any year in the past. We consistently rank at, or near the top of all measured social media platforms within the IBL. We have our dedicated live stream team that work diligently to tell the game through their unique lens, to bring the action to our fans that are not at the ballpark or fans that want to feel that they can follow the action while our players work to get wins on the road. This group is dedicated, professional and eager to improve each season to showcase their home team in the best possible way. So check them out on our Facebook Live page for home and away games.

Thank you to our corporate partners, and the fans that support them, as this is the heart of community sports. We are very fortunate to have an active group of partners that support us at the ballpark, but also support us out in the community as well. So we tip our cap to these like-minded community superstars that we have the privilege to work with.

In sports, each season is a new chapter where we are lucky enough to all start from the first page to try and write the fairy-tale ending to our 2019 London Majors book! Go Majors!!

**Scott Dart** 

Co-owner, President London Majors Baseball www.londonmajors.com



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## Manager's Perspective

For my 14th season as Managers of the London Majors, the excitement in our room is certainly recognizable as we have plenty of new faces as well as some loyal and battle-hardened veterans there to help guide our team. A hungry team. A team that is excited to once again take a crack at the IBL championship that our loyal fans so justly deserve to share in.

There is a key difference between our team this year and other young teams going through a rebuilding face. Ours is not a rebuild. It is a retooling. It is supplementing. It is moulding what I believe will be a good team for many years to come. Only 3 of our 10 starters are coming back (including the DH position) and we have only two returning pitchers.

We certainly have our work cut out for us, but there is nothing more rewarding than shaping these fine young men who are already incredibly talented, into veterans who will turn into leaders both on the field and in our community.

With yet another example of their tireless work bridging the gap from London Majors past to present, the London Majors Alumni group will be recognizing the 2008 team which captured the IBL pennant. That season is very special for me as it was my third year as Manager of the Majors and even though we lost in game seven of the final, it was one of the best Majors teams ever assembled. It was a pleasure coaching that group of young men that believed.

While the focus of my coaching and management staff is always on producing the best quality results for our fans, I would be remiss if I didn't acknowledge the support of our loyal sponsors. Their ongoing contribution allows us to produce the best product possible for our city. I urge our fans to, whenever possible, support the companies that support your community team.

I am so thankful for all our volunteers and staff that make game day such a great event for all our fans. We have the best fans in the IBL and your continued support is greatly appreciated. To see the stands full is a great feeling for everyone on the field.

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## Historic IBL Championship Trophy Resurfaces after 63 Years

By Barry Wells

The London Majors' Alumni Association has found the Intercounty Baseball League Championship Trophy that was in use by the IBL from 1920-1956. The London Majors were the last IBL team to win this championship trophy in 1956.

Thanks to historian Stephen Harding's contacts, Sandy Wagter ~ a niece of Canadian Baseball Hall-of-Famer Frank Colman and daughter of Jack Colman, co-owners of the London Majors from 1956 to early 1960 ~ donated the historic trophy to the London Majors' Alumni Association on April 3, 2019, hoping it can be put on public display at Labatt Park.

"The trophy was in my mother's basement for years, then she passed away in 1990," says Sandy Wagter, "so I took the trophy because I've always been interested in the history side of baseball at Labatt Park. I remember working in the small concession booth near the clubhouse when my father and uncle had the team. Later, I was a pitcher in one of the ladies' city leagues."

Alumni chairperson Barry Boughner, who loves discovering London Majors and IBL history, says "It's incredible the trophy has resurfaced after 63 years. It's called the Ontario Cup but it's the IBL Championship trophy sponsored by the Ontario Auto Spring & Supply Company in Guelph, Ontario."

Since 1992, the IBL Championship Trophy has been the Jack and Lynne Dominico Trophy. Prior to that, from 1957 to 1991, it was known as the Carling Red Cap Cup.

Frank and Jack Colman's London Majors won the Sr. IBL Championship in 1956, then competed in the Great Lakes-Niagara District Baseball League for one season in 1957 and won that championship as well before returning to the Sr. IBL in 1958. Why the trophy remained in London after 1956 and why London left the IBL for a season in 1957, remain mysteries.

Guelph won the IBL Championship as the Guelph Partridge Rubber Company in 1919 ~ the IBL's first year of operation ~ with Guelph repeating as champions in 1920 as the Guelph Spring and Axle Company and again in 1921 as the Guelph Maple Leafs.

The London Braves won the IBL Championship in 1925 (London's first year in the IBL), the London Winery won the IBL Championship in 1936, the London Silverwoods won the title in 1937, the London Army won it in 1943 and the London Majors won the cup in 1944, 1945, 1947, 1948, 1951 and 1956. All championship teams are documented on the 1920-1956 IBL Trophy.

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Friday	May 10	Hamilton	London	7:35 pm
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Friday	May 24	Guelph	London	7:35 pm
Sunday	May 26	Welland	London	1:05 pm
Friday	May 31	Toronto	London	7:35 pm

AWAY

#### **MAY 19**

Sunday	May 12	London	Barrie	2:00 pm
Saturday	May 18	London	Welland	1:05 pm
Sunday	May 19	London	Hamilton	2:00 pm
Thursday	May 23	London	Kitchener	7:30 pm

#### JUNE 19

Friday	June 7	Guelph	London	7:35 pm
Friday	June 14	Brantford	London	7:35 pm
Sunday	June 16	Barrie	London	1:05 pm
Friday	June 21	Hamilton	London	7:35 pm
Sunday	June 23	Welland	London	1:05 pm
Friday	June 28	Welland	London	7:35 pm

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Saturday	June 1	London	Guelph	1:00 pm	
Sunday	June 2	London	Kitchener	2:00 pm	
Saturday	June 8	London	Barrie	7:00 pm	
Sunday	June 9	London	Toronto	2:00 pm	
Wednesday	June 12	London	Brantford	8:00 pm	
Saturday	June 22	London	Guelph	1:00 pm	
Wednesday	June 26	London	Brantford	8:00 pm	
Sunday	June 30	London	Toronto	2:00 pm	

Sunday	July 1	Barrie	London	6:05 pm
Friday	July 5	Kitchener	London	7:35 pm
Sunday	July 7	Hamilton	London	6:05 pm
Friday	July 12	Kitchener	London	7:35 pm
Friday	July 19	Brantford	London	7:35 pm
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Thursday	July 18	London	Kitchener	7:30 pm
Sunday	July 21	London	Toronto	2:00 pm
Saturday	July 27	London	Welland	1:05 pm
Sunday	July 28	London	Hamilton	2:00 pm

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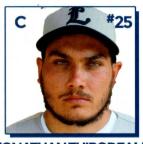
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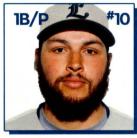
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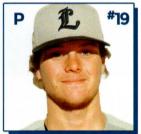
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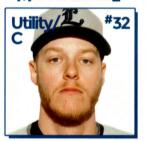
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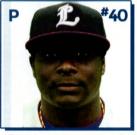
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## 2008 Pennant-Winning Majors Were Loaded with Talent

By Majors' Alumnus Dave Byers, SS, #18 and Barry Wells

- The 2008 London Majors won the John Coppes Memorial Trophy with the best win-loss record of 27-9 during the regular season (a .750 winning percentage). London's first pennant since 1988.
- Majors' RHP Josh Palmer, 22, won the 2008 Ted Earley Memorial Trophy with the lowest ERA during the regular season (2.14). His record was 8-0, pitching seven complete games.
- IBL All-Stars were: Majors' SS David Narodowski, RHP Josh Palmer, 1B Jess Bechard, OF Christian Riuz and MGR Roop Chanderdat.
- Majors' SS David Narodowski was named MVP of the 2008 IBL All-Star Game in Toronto.
- Majors' Co-owners Scott Dart and Roop Chanderdat won the David E. Hastings Trophy as IBL Coexecutives of the Year.
- In Game 7 of the best-of-seven-game championship series at Labatt Park, the Brantford Red Sox defeated the London Majors 8-2, before a sold-out crowd of 5,200.
- Majors' INF Jeff Helps won the Max Roseman Memorial Trophy as the MVP during the IBL Playoffs.

#### Remembering the Season

Jeff Helps, 2B and SS

"It was a summer of memories. The players were a great group of guys; the one's you wanted on your team. We had bulldogs on the mound, matched with good defense and good hitting.

"Roop was in his 3rd season as the manager and he was good at communicating with the players. I always knew where I stood with Roop, what his expectations were and what my role was. He put all the pieces together and let us play."

On winning the IBL Playoff MVP Award (Jeff batted .408 with 29 hits), Helps reflects: "It was a team effort. The guys would always work out together and talk hitting. Mentoring from Jess Bechard helped me understand myself and helped me turn a corner."

"2008 was bitter-sweet. It was more than just the playoff run. It became a part of my life. Without that summer, I don't meet former Major Leaguer Adam Stern, owner of Centrefield Sports, where I now work. I wouldn't have set up in London. It was kind of like the stars aligned.

"The season was special; you're playing baseball at a good level and seeing the big playoff crowds made it great. Either being booed or cheered, it didn't matter, it was a great experience."

#### Kyle Piwowarczyk, 3B

"My memories of the 2008 season began the same as most, with a lot of new faces. There was always turnover from year to year when I played. And you never really knew what kind of team you had until you got onto the field.

"In '08, you could see early on that we had a special group; really good players and really great guys. I can't remember having any problems of any kind with anyone. There were no egos to navigate around and the leadership that guys like Jess Bechard and Kevin Virtue provided kept everyone in check and moving towards the common goal.

#### 2008 Pennant-Winning Majors....continued

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"One thing I do remember that summer is winning a lot of one-run games in late innings. We were always confident that someone would step up with a big hit and our pitching staff always gave us the chance to win. We were 2nd in the league in team hitting and defense and our pitching was the best in the league.

"There were a lot of capable players that accepted their roles and contributed whenever given the chance. No matter what our lineup looked like, we felt we had a chance to win.

"As is the case with most successful teams, we had team chemistry and fun off the field. We had guys from different backgrounds, different ages and guys that were there for different reasons, but in the clubhouse everyone connected ... Our clubhouse manager Cam (Snacks) Simpson made sure the guys had everything needed before, during and after games.

"Scott Dart was always close by to make sure the players had everything needed to be successful. He did a lot of behind-the-scenes work, that most fans aren't aware of.

"Of course, the unfortunate end of the summer is something I will never forget. I had to leave during the championship series against Brantford to fulfill my first professional hockey contract in Germany. An extremely difficult position to be in, but it was an opportunity I simply couldn't afford to jeopardize. There is no feeling in the world worse for me than not being beside your teammates in competition. However, I was extremely proud of how we competed and coming up short is nothing to be ashamed of. It's fair to say that 2008 was my most memorable as a London Major."

#### Jess Bechard, 1B and 3B

"I'd played off and on in a few leagues in Ohio but when I moved back to Canada in 2007, I hadn't thought about putting the spikes on again. One day, the itch just hit me and two days later I was at practice with the team. It immediately felt like a great fit. I was really just looking to have some fun and to be totally honest, my motivation was I wanted to prove to myself that I could still play at a high level. It turned out to be more fun than I ever imagined.

"Getting off to a hot start in the IBL regular season can give you some breathing room for later in the season when teams are fighting for playoff position, so our strong start played a big part in helping us win the pennant ... It became evident that the key to the team being a close-knit group was Kyle Piwowarczyk. 'Peo' was one of the greatest teammates I ever stepped on a field with and a good friend to this day.

"The biggest addition was Jeff Helps, who came about eight games into the season. He was the final piece of the puzzle and we just kept rolling. We now had a lineup where you could put the same starting nine out there each night and let the players go after it. I think Roop knew that he had something special and let us have fun and play and Roop did a great of job of that. He had a professional infield [Piwowarczyk 3B, Narodowski SS, Helps 2B] and an outfield of talented athletes [Vallejos LF, Ruiz CF, Virtue RF]. Every night we stepped on the field expecting to win and we knew we had the team to do it.

"The pitching staff might have been even more impressive. We had two veterans in Adam Echlin and Josh Palmer who you knew were going to give you a chance to win each time they toed the rubber. They were going to go deep in games and give the bullpen a rest when you needed a shutdown outing.

"While one of the storylines of the playoffs is the fact that we lost the left side of our infield for the Brantford series [Piwowarczyk to Germany for pro hockey and Narodowski to start his school year at the University of Kansas], it's more important to focus on the guys who stepped up and filled the vacated roles ... Moving Jeff Helps to SS to cover for Narodowski was seamless. Helpsy is arguably the smoothest infielder I've ever played with.

"In my opinion, the hero of that series was Vince Burke. He jumped in at second base and played like an all-star that whole series. Vince was a solid player all season and an unbelievable teammate.

"With Josh Palmer starting in game 7, we felt pretty good about our chances. Long story short, we lost ... but the effort we put in and the team that came together to overcome obstacles was really impressive. Not winning game 7 doesn't change how I feel about that team. We gave Brantford everything they could handle. They were a veteran team who had to fly in every weapon under the sun to beat us. We danced with the ones who brought us and we went down fighting."





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L-R: Alumni Chair Barry Boughner with Majors' alumni Jon Owen, Cleveland Brownlee (still active), Dave Byers, Wayne Fenlon and Rick Corner.

## Norm and Gabby Inspired Majors' Alumni

Co-Authored By: Stephanie Radu, Scott Aldridge and Barry Boughner Edited By: Barry Wells

Imagine baseball is a big part of your life, historic Labatt Park is your home field and the London Majors are your closest friends. Some of your best memories are clubhouse conversations, sweaty summer practices, the joy of victory and the hell of defeat. Your coaches, trainers, fans and teammates are your tribe and fuel your love of the game.

Now imagine the jersey comes off and you put down the bat and glove. What happens then?

The London Majors' Alumni Association was established in the spring of 2017 to connect players and families from all eras.

Barry Boughner, chair of the Majors' Alumni, says that Labatt Park was once the meeting place for retired Majors when 20 or 30 guys would show up at the park to shoot the breeze and catch up. Too many of these get-togethers took place when they were mourning the loss of a former coach, manager or player.

When former coach and London Sports Hall of Famer Norm Aldridge died at age 90 on July 15, 2015, Norm's teammates got together to remember him.

Norm's son, Scott Aldridge, remembers going through his father's collection of team memorabilia and finding a Rogers-TV video clip of a June 1994 game at Labatt Park between the St. Thomas Elgins and the Majors on Eager Beaver Baseball Night.

"Quite a few of the ghosts of Labatt Park are alive and well in that tape," says Aldridge.

#### Norm & Gabby Inspired Majors' Alumni...continued.

"Roy McKay, #16, Dad, #3 and Gabby Anderson, #5, are three of them."

That videotape got him thinking about organizing events to celebrate Majors' history and past accomplishments.

Another loss was the catalyst to make it happen. When Stan (Gabby) Anderson, another London Sports Hall of Famer, died at 87 on June 7, 2016, "many former players and ball staff attended" says Aldridge. It was then the "idea of doing something for the living" was born. Aldridge says organizing events at the park and honouring players go hand-in-hand: "When the living are gathered, the dead will also be remembered."

Barry Boughner was the perfect guy to pull it all together. Boughner, called "a force of nature" by retired Free Press sportswriter Morris Dalla Costa, had played for the London Juniors, London Pontiacs, Avcos and Majors on and off between 1966 and 1984.

He remains in touch with many of his former hockey and baseball teammates and had recently organized a reunion at Budweiser Gardens. In 2015, Boughner brought former hockey teammates from all over the USA and Canada for the 50th anniversary of the London Nationals, London's first Junior 'A' hockey club.

Along with Majors' alumni Scott Aldridge, Wayne Fenlon, Dave Byers, Alex McKay, Jon Owen, Arden Eddie and Barry Wells from the Friends of Labatt Park, they got things rolling. With an eye to developing an annual "Alumni Day," the group's first meeting was at Dave Byers' house.

For the first Alumni Day on July 22, 2017, they filled the Roy McKay Clubhouse with historical baseball displays. Past players and today's fans arrived in droves despite the lousy weather, before the Brantford Red Sox-London game. Majors' management even flew in Ted Giannoulas, the San Diego Chicken, who'd worked as a kid changing the old manual scoreboard at Labatt Park for 25 cents a game in the late 1960s. An on-field presentation recognized former catchers Stan (Tubby) Jones and Jack Fairs, former pitcher Barry Moore, former shortstop Bob Deakin and former owner-player-manager Arden Eddie.

Whether attending meetings, setting up clubhouse displays, organizing on-field presentations, posting team photos on the Majors' website, Facebook and Twitter, hunting for old newspaper clippings at the Central Library, the Majors' Alumni executive continues to generate interest in their Intercounty Baseball League ball club, which dates back to 1925.

If you are interested in joining the Alumni Association or sharing stories or artifacts that relate to the history of the London Majors or any former players, contact our chair (barrymb[at]rogers.com) or reach out to us on Twitter (@LSIBasebAlumni).

What happens after the jerseys come off and the bat and glove are put away? Once you're a London Major, you're always on the team.



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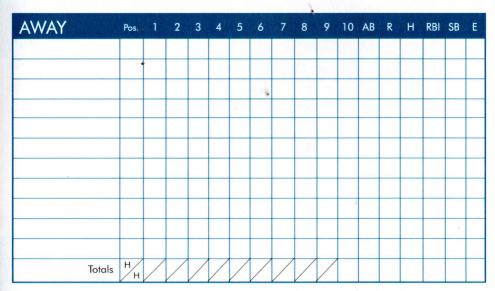
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# League Stats 2018 Season

#### FINAL STANDINGS

	W	L	PCT.	GBL
Barrie	27	8	0.771	-
Kitchener	24	12	0.667	3.5
London	20	16	0.556	7.5
Toronto	16	19	0.457	11
Guelph	16	20	0.444	11.5
Hamilton	15	21	0.417	12.5
Brantford	13	23	0.361	14.5
Burlington	12	24	0.333	15.5

#### INDIVIDUAL BATTING LEADERS (109 or more plate appearances)

	Player, Club	PCT	G	AB	R	Н	HR	RBI	BB	SO	
	Castaldo, J Bar	.403	31	119	40	48	9	38	28	21	
	Marra, J Tor	.353	28	116	34	41	10	31	21	22	
	Atkinson, K Bar	.352	31	125	34	44	10	45	18	17	
	Arnold, G Ham	.348	34	141	14	49	2	25	10	19	
	Mohan, E Gue	.347	24	101	23	35	2	14	9	30	
	Fuhr, R Ldn	.346	33	130	31	45	0	14	21	15	
3	Garton, J Gue	.346	25	104	20	36	4	17	10	25	
	Gordner, M Kit	.343	34	140	26	48	2	22	5	14	
	Spataro, R Bar	.342	26	111	34	38	4	19	17	9	
	Reilly, S Gue	.342	31	114	28	39	12	36	14	15	

#### INDIVIDUAL PITCHING LEADERS (45 or more innings pitched)

G	IP	Н	W-L	ERA
7	47.0	21	7-0	0.38
11	52.0	53	4-2	2.42
9	53.0	49	4-4	3.23
14	84.0	82	8-2	3.32
13	85.2	82	5-3	3.47
12	61.1	48	2-6	3.67
15	71.1	64	5-5	3.79
10	54.2	64	3-3	3.79
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# Major's Stats 2018 Season

#### **TEAM STATS**

BATTING	AVG	G	АŘ	R	Н	2B	<b>3B</b>	HR	RBI	BB	HBP	SO	SF	SH	SB	CS	DP	E
x Nalesnik, J	.588	4	17	7	10	4	0	1	3	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mansfield, J	.400	8	15	5	6	2	0	0	3	2	0	4	0	0	0	0	1	0
Fuhr, R	.346	33	130	31	45	4	1	0	14	21	7	15	0	2	17	9	0	4
McQueen, C	.339	33	124	32	42	2	1	0	10	21	0	21	0	1	15	3	1	5
x DeClark, B	.333	8	18	0	6	0	0	0	2	1	0	5	0	0	0	1	0	0
Brownlee, C	.324	36	145	23	47	7	0	12	46	12	5	30	1	0	3	0	3	0
Britt, E	.309	28	81	15	25	7	0	0	15	10	0	24	0	0	2	0	2	3
Reichstein, B	.308	35	130	33	40	4	3	8	37	27	6	48	3	0	7	0	0	1
x Salcedo, E	.308	7	26	5	8	1	0	2	7	3	1	9	2	0	3	1	0	5
Ambrose, M	.279	36	111	24	31	7	0	2	26	19	23	20	1	2	4	3	4	1
Doyle, R	.268	16	41	6	11	1	1	0	2	3	0	11	1	1	1	2	0	0
Kandel, K	.252	34	131	24	33	8	1	0	17	21	3	31	3	0	12	6	3	10
Hexter, M	.223	29	94	12	21	2	1	0	13	11	0	19	0	0	3	2	1	6
Arteaga, C	.210	16	62	6	13	3	0	0	6	6	0	11	0	0	2	0	1	2
Gormandy, K	.207	28	92	9	19	1	0	0	6	10	2	17	0	0	1	0	0	3
Buntrock, T	.167	21	24	9	4	0	0	0	3	5	0	10	0	1	1	0	0	0
Lofgren, T	.143	4	7	2	1	0	1	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Weisdorf, Z	.000	4	5	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0

PITCHING	G	GS	CG	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	W	L	SV	2B	<b>3B</b>	<b>ERA</b>	
Pichardo, K	14	0	0	24.2	20	15	5	10	28	2	3	2	5	0	1.82	
Boon, O	8	5	0	36.1	30	14	13	12	34	2	0	0	4	0	3.22	
Montero, J	9	7	1	53.0	49	33	19	23	57	4	4	0	9	1	3.22	
Peralta, S	14	11	0	84.0	82	37	31	26	85	8	2	1	16	0	3.32	
Brooks, D	8	7	1	43.1	35	16	16	15	51	4	2	0	6	0	3.32	
Gormandy, K	5	2	0	12.2	19	7	7	1	10	0	1	0	4	1	4.97	
Ferrington, B	16	0	0	27.2	32	18	16	5	25	0	2	0	4	1	5.20	
Hammond, C	4	2	0	6.0	9	5	5	4	0	0	0	0	2	0	7.50	
Doyle, R	8	0	0	11.0	18	14	12	4	6	0	0	0	6	0	9.81	
Muir-McEachran,	M5	1	0	11.2	15	15	14	13	5	0	1	0	5	0	10.80	
x DeLong, M	2	1	0	4.2	9	8	8	4	2	0	1	0	2	0	15.42	

#### MANAGER STATS

YEAR	RECORD	WIN%	FINISH	
2006	21 w 15 l	0.583	4th	
2007	15 w 21 l	0.417	7th	
2008	27 w 9 l	0.75	1st	
2009	21 w 15 l	0.583	5th	
2010	18w 18 l	0.5	5th	
2011	22 w 13 l	0.629	2nd	
2012	21 w 15 l	0.583	2nd	
2013	26 w 16 l	0.619	2nd	
2014	23 w 13 l	0.639	2nd	
2015	20 w 15 l	0.556	4th	
2016	28 w 91	0.757	1st	
2017	25 w 11 l	0.694	3rd	
2018	20 w 16 l	0.556	3rd	

Overall



The Intercounty Baseball League has been a part of summer in Southern Ontario for 99 years now and for its 100th season, the League is venturing into Eastern Ontario with the admission of the Ottawa Fatcats. Ottawa replaces the Oshawa Dodgers who suspended operations following the 2009 season.

The League has had its ups and downs over the years, but it continues to provide baseball fans with exciting action every summer.

The League began in 1919 with just four teams...Galt, Guelph, Stratford and Kitchener. Despite a rocky start the Inter-County managed to survive its first season.

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It's a long and rich history too. In the early years the League expanded with London, Brantford, Preston and St. Thomas joining at various

By the mid 1930s, the Inter-County had established a reputation as one of Ontario's best amateur leagues. In fact when Stratford won the Ontario Baseball Association title in 1934, it was the League's fifth OBA title in a row.

The League survived the Second World War in good shape, even though many players joined the armed forces. After the war, the League became professional in everything but name.

The Inter-County was considered by the professional ranks as an "outlaw" league at that time. The bidding war for players was fierce, and many ex-major league players came to Ontario looking for a few last baseball bucks.

So many came, in fact, that the League was considered on a par with many minor pro leagues. Great crowds came out to see the games, which were played under floodlights for the first time in the 1950s, and the senior league appointed its first commissioner, John Gillies, a London lawyer and former pitcher in the League.

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## Ismael Pena

What was your favourite baseball experience so far?
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What do you find the most challenging about playing baseball?

I would say switching positions. Moving around the diamond from Outfield to 1st and pitcher. But a good challenge



### What is your favourite position?

Center Field. You have to be a good athlete to catch fly balls and throw guys out.

What would you be doing if you weren't playing baseball?

I would be a baseball agent, I love the game along with the travel that comes along with the job

Who would you like to have dinner with?

I would have dinner with either Jenifer Lopez or Gincarlos Stanton.

If you could have any super power what would it be?

I would want to fly, It would make catching those fly balls easier and robbing guys of home runs too.

#### Who is your favourite Major League Baseball player?

I have two, 1 pitcher and 1 position player. The pitcher would be Chris Sale of the Boston Red Sox and the position player would be Robinson Cano.

### Do you play any other sports?

Back home I played basketball but I also played hockey as well.

#### What's your favourite food?

I love a good poutine.

#### Where do you see yourself on 5 years?

I hope to have a family, while also being in the big leagues or being a player agent.

Any advice for aspiring ball players.

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