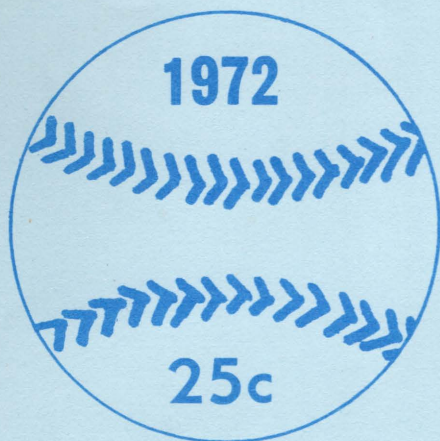


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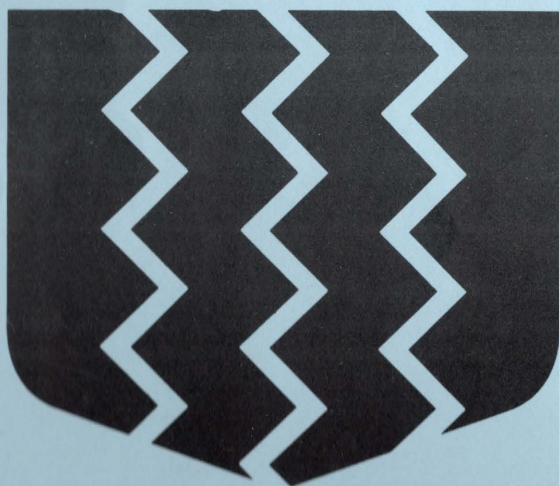
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ROY McKAY - Manager



Even a lifetime spent in baseball, both professional and amateur couldn't prepare Roy for last season, when "everything" went wrong with the AVCOS.

After three straight I.C.B.A. pennants, the locals ended in third place as KITCHENER made a runaway to the pennant and championship. 1972 looks better, the team is a year more experienced — certainly the hitters should come through with more regularity — and the pitchers should have more consistency.

Roy feels that the League will be the closest in years, with strong entries from HAMILTON, GALT and BRANTFORD. This of course, is a big plus for the "fan" who shouldn't miss a game, all of which will be important. The McKays are a real "baseball" family, with wife Ruth and their two sons and a daughter among the AVCO'S most ardent fans.

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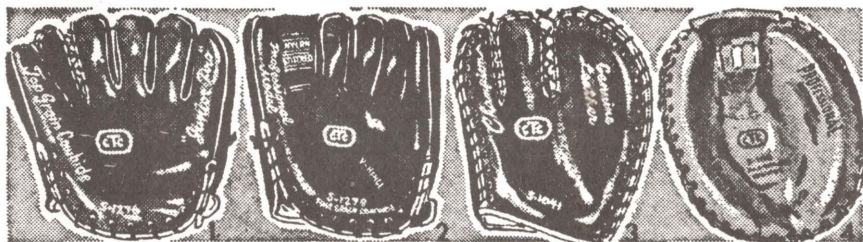
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DAVE LAPHORNE

First baseman, team captain, player representative to the Directors, school teacher, husband and father of two are reasons why "WHITEY" has little time to spare, summer or winter.

Dave bats and throws right and although he fielded in his usual exceptional style, his batting (like most other team members) dropped some 87 points last season. Starting into his eleventh Senior Intercounty season, "WHITEY" feels that this will be the AVCO's year, as they bounce back from the disastrous 1971.

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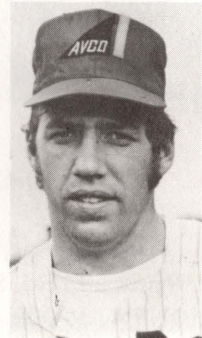
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BRIAN MURPHY

Regarded as one of Canada's top amateur baseball pitchers, Brian is back for his sixth season with the AVCO's.

His 6-2 won-lost record and his 1.75 ERA were tops with the club, while his ERA was good enough to be the league's fourth best.

At his best in the clutch, "MURPH" has been a team leader and "stopper" almost since his arrival. A professional hockey player for Baltimore of the American Hockey League, Brian is married, and makes his off-season home in London.



INTERCOUNTY STATISTICS — 1971

FINAL STANDINGS — 1971

	Played	Won	Lost	Pct.	GBL
K-W	28	22	6	.786	—
Guelph	28	19	9	.679	3
London	28	17	11	.607	5
Toronto	28	16	12	.571	6
Stratford	28	12	16	.429	10
**Hamilton	28	11	17	.393	11
Brantford	28	11	17	.393	11
Galt	28	4	24	.143	18

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BATTING LEADERS — 90 or more plate appearances

	G	AB	R	H	RBI	Pct.
Tom McKenzie, K-W	19	76	21	33	16	.434
Ron Earl, Strat.	27	112	30	42	15	.375
Hugh Heibei, K-W	28	124	34	46	15	.371
Bob McKillop, K-W	24	98	26	36	30	.367
*John Osborne, Tor.	26	118	17	42	10	.356
Ron Gumbley, Gue.	26	99	20	35	30	.354
Tom Gamboa, Strat.	28	112	17	38	17	.339
Wally Rykwa, Gue.	25	72	17	24	11	.333
Wray Upper, Galt	27	108	10	35	7	.324
Alf Payne, Tor.	28	119	24	38	19	.319

PITCHING LEADERS — 56 or more innings

	IP	H	BB	SO	W	L	ERA
Paul Knight, K-W	96 $\frac{2}{3}$	76	14	77	11	1	1.30
Dave Lemanczyk, Gue.	60 $\frac{2}{3}$	40	31	63	6	2	1.33
Doug Lane, Brant.	69	64	40	54	3	4	1.70
Brian Murphy, Lon.	72	51	41	61	6	2	1.75
Dave Hammond, Lon.	59	49	33	35	4	1	2.59
Tom Russell, Gue.	60	48	33	42	5	1	2.70
Reid Heffernan, Gue.	58	59	18	36	5	1	2.79
*Pat Papalia, Brant.	64 $\frac{1}{3}$	52	41	57	3	5	2.79
Doug Landreth, Str.	78 $\frac{1}{3}$	83	27	90	4	5	2.87
*Craig Schade, K-W	73	60	23	50	6	2	3.20



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	9	Galt	8:00 p.m.
	16	Kitchener	8:00 p.m.
	23	Guelph	8:00 p.m.
	28	Brantford	8:00 p.m.
	30	Galt	8:00 p.m.
July	7	Toronto	8:30 p.m.
	12	Brantford	8:00 p.m.
	14	Hamilton	8:00 p.m.
	21	Kitchener	8:00 p.m.
	28	Guelph	8:00 p.m.
Aug.	4	Stratford	8:00 p.m.

AWAY GAMES

May	28	Kitchener	2:00 p.m.
June	4	Toronto	2:00 p.m.
	10	Hamilton	8:00 p.m.
	13	Galt	8:00 p.m.
	18	Brantford	8:00 p.m.
	21	Guelph	7:30 p.m.
	27	Stratford	8:00 p.m.
July	6	Brantford	8:00 p.m.
	8	Guelph	7:30 p.m.
	9	Kitchener	2:00 p.m.
	23	Toronto	2:00 p.m.
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Gary Newitt (Toronto)	tie	
John Osborne (Toronto)	2b	Mike Henry (Guelph)
Wray Upper (Galt)	3b	Mike Buist (Hamilton)
		Barry Boughner (London) tie
Tom McKenzie (K-W)	SS	Alf Payne (Toronto)
Ron Gumbley (Guelph)	OF	Arden Eddie (London)
Hugh Heibein (K-W)		Reid Heffernan (Guelph)
Tom Gamboa (Stratford)		Ty Crawford (Toronto)
Bob McKillop (K-W)	CAT	Andy Russo (Guelph)
Paul Knight (K-W)	RHP	Dave Lemanczyk (Guelph)
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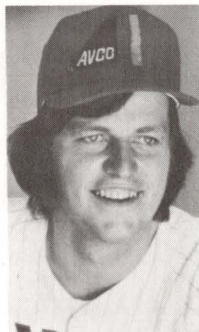
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WAYNE FENLON

Now in his fifth season as a "real" Senior, Wayne shows the way, leading the team at the plate with a .318 average, (up 10 points from last year) and 28 safeties, the team's second highest.

Acknowledged as the top defensive catcher in the league for the past few years, it was in the team's best interest for Wayne to play either first base or the outfield at times last year, which he did without question.

Wayne was another AVCO to leave the ranks of the single last winter.

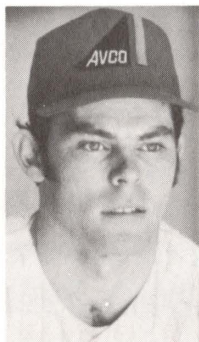
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BARRY BOUGHNER

Playing most of the year at third base, Barry proved his worth in the early going, holding the team together when early season woes caused many problems.

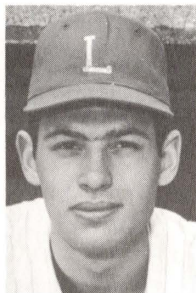
His .259 batting average, while not spectacular, is made more impressive when it is considered that eleven of his 28 hits were for extra bases; and accounted for 20 RBI's, the team high.

Barry played hockey last season for the Des Moines Oak Leafs in that International League. He's married and makes his summer home in London.

JIM RODRIGUES

Back in the Intercounty last summer after two seasons in professional baseball, Jim steadied the infield with his play. His hitting, like most of the AVCO's was below usual, but he too should bounce back for a good 1972. The fact of leading the league in double plays last season can be attributed largely to Jim's work in the field.

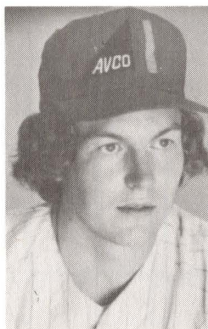
Jim is teaching at Windsor's Assumption High School, where a fellow faculty member is former Detroit Tiger, Reno Bertoia. He's married.



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TERRY HOLBROOK

Born in Watford, the 21 year old Holbrook is finally a Senior, and for this, Manager Roy McKay is quite happy.

The 6'1", 185 lb. spent three years with the Chester Pegg Diamonds, improving steadily until last year he was one of the Province's top Juniors. The pro-scouts were all looking his way until they found that he was a professional hockey player.

As a hockey player, Terry played the last two years with Cleveland Barons of the A.H.L.

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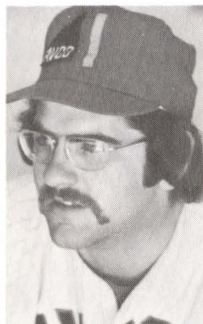
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JIM JACKSON

Playing his first full season as a Senior last year, Jim did not live up to his potential, batting only .212 with 8 RBI's. More work this year will undoubtedly give Jim more times at bat with the attendant increased opportunities.

A combination first-baseman-outfielder, Jim is rather unfortunate to play on a team where Dave Lapthorne is a fixture at first base.

During the winter, Jim was appointed by the players as their second representative to the Board of Directors. He's single!



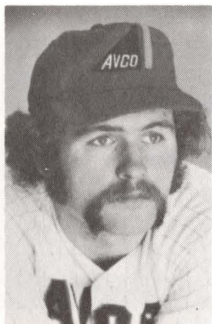
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REID HEFFERNAN

A newcomer to London this year is REID HEFFERNAN, an ex-pro from Guelph who now attends University at Western and wants to remain here for the summer.

Only 22, Reid has packed a lot of experience into such a few years, what with three years in the I.C.B.A. and two pro-seasons in the Chicago Cub chain, with Quincy, Illinois of the Mid-West League in 1968 and Huron, South Dakota of the Northern League.

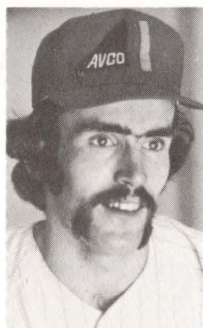
His 5-1 pitching record and second all-star team outfield status will do much to help the AVCO's come back to power.



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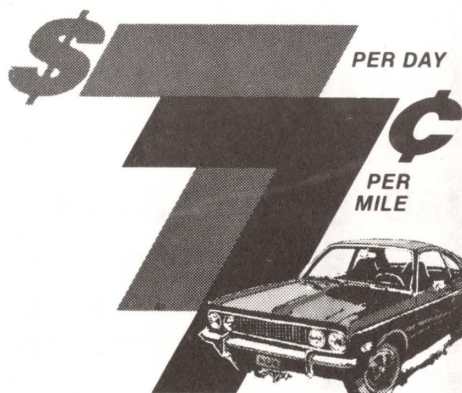


BARRY FULLER

It seems hard to believe that BARRY FULLER has only just become a "senior" player this year. Playing almost full time for the AVCO's during the past four years, his .303 was second in team batting.

Certainly a valuable member of the AVCO's, Barry played almost every position last year while appearing in 20 of 28 league games.

Where he's going to play this season, either behind the bat, at first base or in the outfield, Barry and his dependable bat is vital to Roy McKay's plans.



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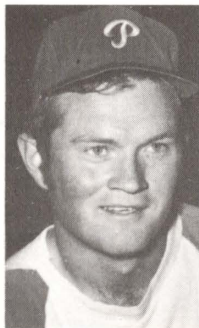
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ARDEN EDDIE

One AVCO whose batting average jumped last year, "ARDIE" hit .284 with 29 safeties leading the club. His 27 runs scored and 16 stolen bases were other team highs. The latter a league leading total.

Long under-rated at all-star time, he's a sound fielder, with a good arm. One thing that hurts him is that he "tries" for everything, making hard plays look easy and "impossible" plays look difficult — when he doesn't pull them in, all-star selectors forget that most out-fielders wouldn't have been close to the ball.

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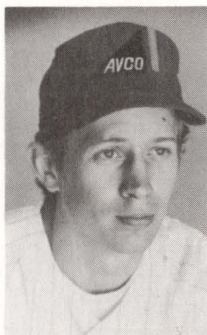
DAVE HAMMOND

Right-hander DAVE HAMMOND got off to a slow start last year, but finished with a 4-1 mark and a respectable 2.59 ERA.

His control sharpened as the season progressed, and Dave's contribution in the playoffs augers well for 1972.

The season he spent in professional baseball certainly helped make Dave a really complete pitcher with much composure under fire.

A local boy, Dave is married without children and figures large in Manager McKay's plans for 1972.



DAVE HALL

Another of our teachers, Dave had a relatively "static" year at the plate dropping only 8 perenctage points to a .267 average.

Fielding was different as Mr. Hall seems to improve yearly, as witness the fact that the AVCO's again led the league in double plays.

A small guy, but big on "heart", Dave is an important member of the team that looks to improve on last year's third place standing. Sorry girls, Dave became a married man at the end of last season.



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NEIL BRADBURY

Ex-pro NEIL BRADBURY, was certainly the hard luck guy of the pitching staff last year as he dropped four games, but received a total of seven runs in his four losses.

His 51 strikeout total was second on the club, while his work in the playoffs proved top-notch and most valuable to the club. Strangely enough, Neil had two hits last season but the pair of runs they scored won a game.

Neil was married in the winter and lives permanently in London.



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Fielder's Choice	FC	Muffed Fly	O
Hit by Pitcher	HP	Wild Throw	W
Wild Pitch	WP	Forced Out	XX
Stolen Base	S	Error	E
Left on Bases	L	Foul Fly	F

An illustration will show the method of recording a play. In the upper left-hand corner opposite batter's name A—4 means batter reached first on fumble by second baseman. In the upper right-hand corner S means he stole second. In the lower right-hand corner B means he reached third on passed ball. In the lower left-hand corner 6 2 means he was thrown out to catcher at plate by shortstop.

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1963	RON STEAD (BRANTFORD)
1964	ROLF SCHEEL (LONDON)
1965	RON STEAD (BRANTFORD)
1966	AL GREENBURG (LONDON)
1967	RON STEAD (GUELPH)
1968	BOB McKILLOP (KITCHENER - WATERLOO)
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JIM REEVES (BRANTFORD)	.444	1963
BOB GILHOOLEY (STRATFORD)	.374	1964
BRIAN PEAREN (LONDON)	.405	1965
PAUL GIROUX (GUELPH)	.404	1966
TOM HOCK (K-W)	.359	1967
JOHN McTAVISH (HAMILTON)	.420	1968
BOB McKILLOP (K-W)	.381	1969
TOM McKENZIE (K-W)	.446	1970
TOM McKENZIE (K-W)	.434	1971

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ERIC LOMAX (GALT)	1.35 ERA
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BOB McKILLOP (K-W)	0.93 ERA
RON STEAD (GUELPH)	0.35 ERA
BRIAN MURPHY (LONDON)	0.93 ERA
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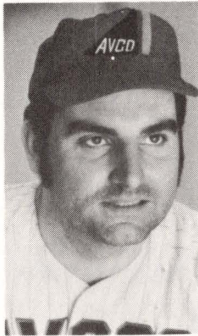
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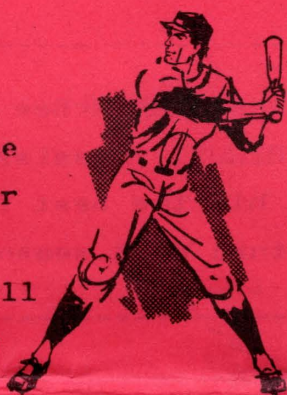
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FRIDAY

AUGUST 18th, 1972

TORONTO MAPLE LEAFS

Brian McRobie	C
Bob Reed	C
Doug Beckett	P
Jim Edgar	P
Bob Johnstone	P
Gord Roche	P
Bob Booth	P
Nick Owen	1 B
John Osborne	2 B-P
Leo Derocher	3 B
Alf Payne	SS
Greg Mitchell	IF
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Jim Ridley	OF
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Dave Lapthorne	1 B
Dave Hall	2 B
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Jim Rodrigues	SS
Barry Fuller	C-OF
Barry Boughner	3 B
Fred Fickling	OF
Jim Jackson	1 B-OF
Dick Ouderkirk	3 B-OF
Dave Hammond	P
Rod Spicer	P
Neil Bradbury	P
Bob McBee	P
Brian Murphy	P
Roy McKay	Mgr.
Norm Aldridge	C



SENIOR INTERCOUNTY PLAYOFFS GAMES LAST NIGHT

GUELPH 11
KITCHENER 3

BRANTFORD 7
STRATFORD 2

STANDINGS

Best of Five Quarter Final

STRATFORD vs KITCHENER (series tied 1 -1)

Best of Five Quarter Final

GUELPH vs BRANTFORD (Guelph leads series 1 - 0)



We are very pleased to welcome the visiting TORONTO MAPLE LEAFS to the ball park tonight. Due to differences between players and management we did not know until 11: PM. Thursday evening, whether or not TORONTO would be entered in the playoffs. As in every dispute there are two sides to the story and then the right side. Suffice to say that for the good of the league and the enjoyment of loyal Inter County baseball fans the series is on. Both teams are evenly matched, witness the close ball games during the regular season, and we are looking forward to a hard fought struggle in each and every game, so don't miss a one.

LONDON will say goodbye tonight to pitcher Bob McBee and his lovely wife Margaret. Bob returns to BILOXI, Mississippi, to resume his teaching career and we wish him the best for the coming year and look forward to his return next season.

In the who is hurting department, Reid Heffernan is on the mend after a problem with his knee and manager Roy McKay is looking forward to his return to the line up. "Another arm, and particularly a left hander will be a big help in the playoffs."

It was learned at Wednesday nights practice that Dick Ouderkirk suffered a bad cut on his knee, while using a chain saw, requiring several stitches. It is not certain how long Dick will be out of the line up, but a speedy return is hoped for. His excellent playing ability as an infielder and improved batting performance was a big plus in the Avco's late season drive.

The next Avco playoff game against TORONTO will be Friday, August 25th, at 8:30 PM. The Avco's visit TORONTO on Sunday and Wednesday next. The poor weather this year hasn't helped our attendance and we will appreciate your attendance for the rest of this excellent series. See you next Friday.

