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The Avcos have a new look this year with colourful Ken Benjamin taking over as Manager.

An Intercounty veteran, Ken was born in Chatham some 40 years ago but after spending two seasons playing professionally in the Washington chain settled in Listowel. He played from 1954 to 1961 and then managed the Legionnaires from 1964 to 1969, always with hustling entertaining teams. Ken was chosen all-star manager in 1966, 1968 and 1969 as well as being selected to manage the ICBA All-Stars that won the first Canada Games championship in 1969.

When Brantford returned to the league in 1971 Ken was a natural choice to lead them. The Sox tied for the last playoff spot in 1971 but were eliminated in a sudden-death playoff. Last year, they ended third before losing to Toronto in the seventh game of an exciting final.

An innovator, umpire-baiter and a colour guy — Ken brings all this plus a sound knowledge of the game to London, It's good to have him on our side.

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JIM JACKSON:
Outfielder: This is his
third year as a senior.
Batted .188 last
season, used mostly
as a pinch hitter.



DAVE LAPTHORNE:
First base: captain,
complete ball player,
hard-working and
dedicated — his 12th
season. Batted .274
last year. Fielded
superlatively, as
usual.



DAVE HAMMOND:
Pitcher: Led team
(third in league) with
2.06 ERA, with record
6-4. Has matured
into one of the
league's top pitchers.



WAYNE FENLON:
Catcher: team leader
— League's All-Star
catcher. Batted .304,
team leading 24 RBI's
only one behind the
league leader. 35 hits
team high.



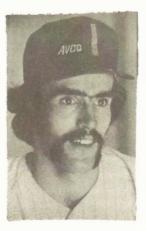
BARRY BOUGHNER: Infielder: Jumped average 33 points to .292 last year. Gives his all, a real team player — Could pitch some this year.



ARDEN EDDIE:
Outfielder: Last year
not his best, average
dropped to .241 but
his spectacular fielding still makes the
impossible catches
look easy.



JIM RODRIGUES:
Infielder: Teaching
job restricts early
season play. Batted
.326 in 15 games, half
for extra bases.
Excellent glove man.



Darry FULLER:
Outfielder-Catcher:
Only his second year
as an "official"
senior. Batted .255
with 18 RBl's. Played
well as a "rookie"
outfielder.

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Pitcher	1	Shortstop	6
Catcher		Left Fielder	7
First Baseman	3	Centre Fielder	
Second Baseman	4	Right Fielder	9
Third Baseman	5		

SOME SYMBOLS USED BY SCORERS FOLLOWS

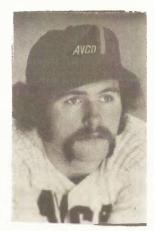
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An illustration will show the method of recording a play. In the upper left-hand corner opposite batter's name A—4 means batter reached first on fumble by second baseman. In the upper right-hand corner S means he stole second. In the lower right-hand 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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NEIL BRADBURY:
Pitcher: Sore arm
plagued him last year.
Still won three big
games. Will be spot
starter this year which
could increase
effectiveness.



REID HEFFERNAN:
Outfielder: Arm
problems have
probably ended
pitching career, but
his bat makes an
important contribution. Hit .309 last year.



LARRY ROOKS: Infielder: Played last year with Brantford, leading the Sox in hitting with .321 average. Standout in playoff with Toronto. Good glove.



ED JORDAN:
Outfielder: Comes
here by way of Guelph
and Toronto. Fine
hitter. Been hitting
for distance in
practise. School
teacher.



BRIAN SAMWAYS:
Coach: A Londoner.
School Teacher, first
year in baseball but a
long fastball background — will handle
first base.



BOB GILLAN:
Trainer: Worked with
the Senior hockey
Kings last winter
doing an effective job
— will provide the
Avcos with much
needed expertise.



TERRY HOLBROOK: Infielder: Batted .279, led team with 5 home runs, second in hits and RBI's — Won League's Rookie of the Year Award.



NORM ALDRIDGE: Coach: The real veteran, more than 25 years with London's senior baseball team. He'll handle the bull pen this year.

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June	1	Toronto	8:30 p.m.	June	3	Welland	3:00 p.m.
	6	Guelph	8:00 p.m.		7	Brantford	8:00 p.m.
	8	Brantford	8:00 p.m.		10	Hamilton	8:00 p.m.
	15	Kitchener(2)	7:00 p.m.		16	Guelph	7:30 p.m.
	22	Hamilton	8:00 p.m.		17	Toronto	2:00 p.m.
	27	Stratford	8:00 p.m.		21	Stratford	8:00 p.m.
	29	Toronto	8:30 p.m.		28	Kitchener	8:00 p.m.
July	6	Brantford	8:00 p.m.	July	8	Brantford	8:00 p.m.
	13	Guelph	8:00 p.m.		10	Guelph	7:30 p.m.
	18	Kitchener	8:00 p.m.		15	Hamilton	8:00 p.m.
	20	Hamilton	8:00 p.m.		17	Stratford	8:00 p.m.
	25	Welland	8:00 p.m.		22	Toronto(2)	1:00 p.m.
	27	Guelph	8:00 p.m.		26	Brantford	8:00 p.m.
Aug.	3	Hamilton	8:00 p.m.	Aug.	2	Stratford	8:00 p.m.
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June 2	8:00 p.m.	ATHLETICS	June	3	1:00 p.m.	LANGTON (2)	
June 13	7:00 p.m.	ST. THOMAS (2)	June	9	2:00 p.m.	WATERLOO	
June 20	8:00 p.m.	KITCHENER	June	16	8:00 p.m.	STRATFORD	
June 30	8:00 p.m.	ATHLETICS	June	17	2:00 p.m.	DIAMONDS	
July 4	8:00 p.m.	STRATFORD	June	24	2:00 p.m.	WOODSTOCK	
July 8	2:00 p.m.	BRANTFORD	July	7	2:00 p.m.	BRANTFORD	
July 11	8:00 p.m.	WATERLOO	July	14	2:00 p.m.	SIMCOE	
August 1	8:00 p.m.	HAMILTON	July	21	2:00 p.m.	HAMILTON	
August 4	8:00 p.m.	GUELPH	July	28	2:00 p.m.	KITCHENER	
August 5	2:00 p.m.	SIMCOE	July	29	8:00 p.m.	GUELPH	
August 11	8:00 p.m.	LANGTON	Aug	s fau	2:00 p.m.	STRATFORD	

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ROB GARRIOCH:

Pitcher: Windsor product. Posted 12-4 record in Western with the experience to be a winner.

LANCE LITTLEJOHN:

Pitcher: St. Thomas product, Always a winner-Righthander - throws strikes. Should be an important member of staff.

DAVE BYERS:

Infielder: Last three years played professionally in St. Louis chain. Finished last season with Galt, hit .333 in 14 games 9 extra base hits.

LEN HUTCHINSON:

Catcher: Played junior in Toronto, last year senior in Windsor, batted respectable .287. Hits line drives, could reach the fences.

A MATTER OF RECORD

ROOKIE OF THE YEAR

1972 TERRY HOLBROOK (LONDON)

BATTING CHAMP

LEADING PITCHER

JIM REEVES (BRANTFORD) BOB GILHOOLEY (STRATFORD) BRIAN PEAREN (LONDON) PAUL GIROUX (GUELPH) TOM HOCK (K-W) JOHN McTAVISH (HAMILTON) BOB McKILLOP (K-W) TOM MCKENZIE (K-W)	.444 .374 .405 .404 .359 .420 .381 .446	1963 1964 1965 1966 1967 1968 1969 1970	RON STEAD (BRANTFORD) ERIC LOMAX (GALT) GEOFF ZAHN (STRATFORD) BOB McKILLOP (K-W) RON STEAD (GUELPH) BRIAN MURPHY (LONDON) DAN CAMP (LISTOWEL) RON STEAD (GUELPH)	0 63 ERA 1.35 ERA 1.31 ERA 0.93 ERA 0.35 ERA 0.93 ERA 1.05 ERA 1.16 ERA
TOM McKENZIE (K-W)	.434	1971	PAUL KNIGHT (K-W)	1.30 ERA
JIM RIDLEY (TORONTO)	.386	1972	JOHN OSBORNE (TORONTO)	1.66 ERA

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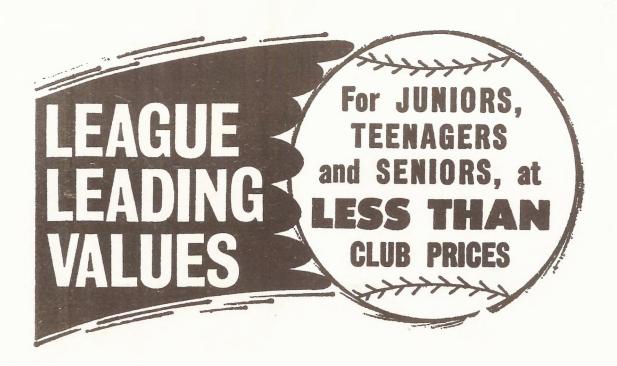
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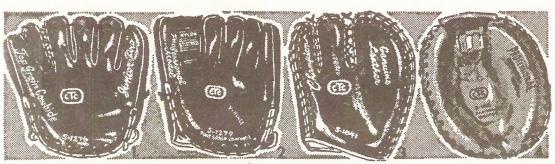
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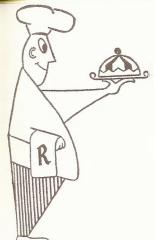




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Ron Earl (Stratford)	2b	Rick De Marchi (Brantford)
Gene Lamke (Stratford)	3b	Leo Derocher (Toronto)
Alf Payne (Toronto)	SS	Tom McKenzie (K-W)
Jim Ridley (Toronto)	OF	Hugh Heibein (K-W)
Ron Gumbley (Guelph)	OF	Alf Riverso (Toronto)
Paul Lee (Brantford)	OF	Tom Gamboa (Stratford)
Wayne Fenlon (London)	CAT	Brian McRobie (Toronto)
Doug Beckett (Toronto)	RHP	John Osborne (Toronto)
Ron Carrigan (Stratford)	LHP	Tom Russell (Guelph)
Ken Benjamin (Brantford)	MGR	Tom Gamboa (Stratford)

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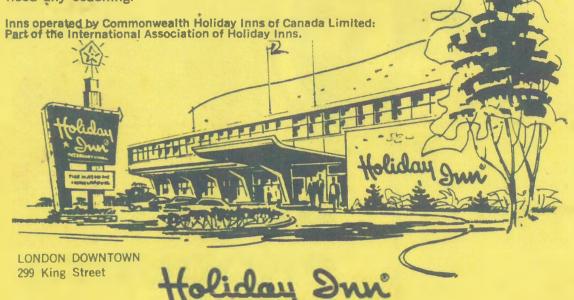
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