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In what's been an up and down London Majors' season, yesterday was an up day.

The Majors cooled off the big-hitting Guelph Royals with an 8-5 win in Intercounty Baseball League play at Labatt Park.

The win ran the Majors' record to 3-2 and came on the heels of an unimpressive loss to Mississauga on Friday night.

But yesterday, the Majors got timely hitting and good pitching to knock off the Royals in front of 550 spectators.

Mike Mitro survived a shaky first inning and eventually went six innings for the win. Mike Delong, who hit a home run on Friday, finished off the day with three scoreless innings for the save.

The big blow came off the bat of designated hitter Chris Chambers. He hit a three-run homer to right field during a four-run fifth to give the Majors a 7-2 lead. They would need most of that offence.

"That's why we got Chris," said Majors manager Rupp Chanderdat. "He's a big guy with a lot of power. He's hurting right now with a sore knee, but when he gets healthy, he'll play left field. For a big guy, he's quick and he's got a strong arm."

Chambers is one of the slew of players who went to school at Oklahoma Baptist University. He graduated two years ago and last year was out of baseball.

"Mason Reilly told me about playing up here and what a great place it was," Chambers said. "I worked last year. I still worked out. I don't know what's going to happen, but I just wanted to play because I love to play."

Chambers says it shouldn't take him very long to get back into a rhythm.

Chambers hit an RBI single earlier in the game. If he continues to pound the ball, he'll be quite a pairing with Jess Bechard.

Bechard has been ripping the ball. He went into the game hitting .818 and had two more hits yesterday.



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"Chris wanted to play last year, but we already had three imports. But with him in the lineup, he should be able to protect Jess in the lineup," Chanderdat said.

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If the Majors get the kind of production they got yesterday from the bottom of the lineup, they will be a much different team than last year, when pitching carried them.

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Reilly, who had struggled at the plate until yesterday, had a three-hit day, including two RBIs, one in the eighth inning that restored a three-run lead and made the last inning a little more comfortable.

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"I felt good at the plate," Reilly said. "Sometimes it takes a little bit of time to get adjusted to the wooden bats. We use aluminum bats in college. It's sort of like cheating. It's a lot harder with wooden bats."

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Even though the team's play this year has been inconsistent, the Majors are doing a lot of things well.

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In the eighth, when the Majors were looking to add an extra run, Chambers worked a walk. Chad McKellar ran for him and was sacrificed to second by Phil Delisle. Reilly singled him in. It was textbook.

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The Majors went into the game at the top of the IBL statistics in team batting average. The Royals were No. 2. Both teams were near the bottom of the statistics in team pitching, a far cry from the dominating performance of last year.

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"I'm not worried about it," Chanderdat said. "I told the young pitchers, guys like DeLong, that they would get . . . chances to pitch until the veterans like Adam Echlin and Josh Palmer get things going."

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Missing from yesterday's lineup was third baseman Kyle Piwowarczyk, who took the weekend off to go to Boston.

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The Majors' lineup is still in flux. Chanderdat doesn't expect his lineup to be established for about two weeks.

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