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Football, soccer camps under way at Laurier

Football and soccer camps are under way at Wilfrid Laurier University and both coaches and their assistants are busy working with newcomers and players back from last year's teams.

In football, 82 prospects turned out on the weekend as the camp began. Thirty-five rookies ran through their drills Saturday before being joined by 53 returning upperclassmen on Sunday.

Coach Rich Newbrough is optimistic about the approaching season, which opens Sept. 6 with Concordia providing the opposition in an exhibition game.

"We have a pretty good crop of returnees this year," Newbrough said. "But I'm sure some of these rookies will be heard from. We've always had rookies in the starting line-up and they have performed exceptionally well."

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Last year's rookie sensation, wide-receiver Ken Evraire, has returned to camp. He was named OUAA Rookie of the Year last season, marking the sixth time in 10 years a player from Laurier has won the honor.

Newbrough will be assisted by 11 coaches, all WLU alumni, in the twice-a-day workouts.

The football Hawks first league game will be against the University of Toronto Sept. 12 at Varsity Stadium in Toronto at 7:30 p.m.

Soccer camp started Monday and Coach Barry Lyon said 45 are trying out for a final squad of 22.

Practices will continue every day this week and then the squad will travel to Kingston for a tournament against the Royal Military College. The following weekend the soccer Hawks will be in Rochester, N.Y., for another tournament.

The home opener is Sept. 11 against the University of Windsor, at Bechtel Park, Bridge St., Waterloo at 4 p.m. All home games will be in Bechtel Park this season.

"I expect a strong squad, with 20 of last year's 22 players returning," Coach Lyon said. Included in the returnees are all-Canadian Barry Maclean, and all-Ontario players Kevin Adams and Scott Patriquin.