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## Newbrough resigns as coach, assumes broader duties as director

*Waterloo, Ont.* (*Nov.* 8) — Rich Newbrough, involved with the football program at Wilfrid Laurier University for 26 years, has resigned from his coaching duties to assume broader responsibilities in his position as director of athletics.

Newbrough led the Golden Hawks to capture the 1991 Vanier Cup and WLU's first Canadian football championship. That same year the Canadian Interuniversity Athletic Union recognized him as coach of the year.

He also coached the Golden Hawks to the Ontario Universities Athletic Association's Yates Cup title in 1987 and 1991, and was named the league's coach of the year in 1985. His overall record as head coach is 63 wins and 33 losses.

Newbrough joined the university in 1968 as assistant football coach and was involved in the team's Vanier Cup appearances in 1968 and 1972. He has been head coach and director of athletics since 1984.

Newbrough is a lecturer in the university's physical education program. He has published on coaching, presented clinics in Canada and the United States, and been a guest coach for two years with the Toronto Argonauts' pre-season camp.

Newbrough's resignation follows a regular departmental review that recommended separating the responsibilities of the department director and head football coach to create two full-time positions.

The department has also been renamed the department of athletics and recreation to reflect the growing importance of its intramural and lifestyle programming; consequently, Newbrough's title is now director of athletics and recreation.

The university has begun a national search for a head football coach.