Borden Hurricanes Start Heavy Scrimmage Workow

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The Hurricanes, Camp Borden's RCAF entry in the new senior Services Football League, had their first scrimmage with full pads at the No. 1 SFTS Sports Field on Tuesday evening, with the coach, Flight Lieutenant Mike Ozarko, cracking the whip in earnest. Hurricanes, who open the season at Varsity Stadium on Saturday afternoon, Sept. 23, against the Navy team from HMCS York, are replacing the former Toronto Air Force entry in senior rugby. They have been equipped with the 1942 Dominion champions' uniforms, pads, sweaters, blue helmets, etc.

Camp Borden's second game is scheduled for Sept. 30 at Western University Stadium, London, against St. Thomas RCAF club. Coach Ozarko hails from Hamilton, where he was a middle wing with the mighty Tigers and later he starred with Toronto Hurricanes the last two seasons. He is a flying instructor and examining officer.

For the past 10 days Hurricanes have been working out at Camp Borden on conditioning exercises, signals, ball tossing and kickin. They are now ready for the rough and tough go of scrimmage. F/LO arko plans to carry 24 players of his squad. There were 21 out on Tuesday and more to come. The team is expecting in any day two star halfbacks, Sgt. Fred Kijek and Sgt. Doug Pyzer. The former, a Windsor boy, is one of the best booters in Canadian football, and Pyzer is a star running back, of Toronto fame.

Hurricanes won't be able to use the Army stars from Camp Borden—Andy Tommy, Wilf Tremblay, Syd Reynolds, Bert McComiskey and others. They were out for a fewpractices, but Air Force Command ruled them ineligible for the league and No. 1 SFTS will have to stick to station personnel.

The coach had P/O Ivan Hare, former St. Catharines ORFU player, P/O Ken Jamiesen, former New York State semi-pro, and F/O Rusty Greenslade, Toronto High School star, catching punts and running them into tackles in the early part of Tuesday's practice. LAC Smith, from Balmy Beach, and LAC Miles, ex-Lachine RCAF player, were also prominent. Trying out for positions are two well-known flying instructors—F/L Jack Brown, from Toronto Malverns, and F/L Gus Porter, former Belleville player.

Hurricanes are confident they will be in the running for Service League honors against the Nawy, St. Thomas and the starry Hagersville Air Force club, which boasts of some of last season's Hamilton Tigers.

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