

The **BLUES NEWS**

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The official newspaper of Wycombe Wanderers Football Club

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holding an
Open Day
for all the
family
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Under the
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read the
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Manager Alan
Smith (pictured
here) looks
towards a
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Behind the scenes with Mark Austin

All systems go in the close season

It's still July and we've already played two matches, one away at Poole Town and one at home to Ipswich Town.

If you think the football season is getting longer each year, let me tell you it definitely is!

Commercially a short off-season is a nightmare.

All administrative and commercial staff at football clubs are expected to take ALL their holidays in the closed season.

For those with children at school this can prove very difficult when the first pre-season day coincides with the start of the school summer holidays.

The close season is by far the busiest time commercially in any football club, with extra staff always having to be brought in to cope with the enormous seasonal workload.

Programme in the top three

All season tickets have to be sold, logged and despatched; all match and ball sponsorships of every league, cup and friendly matches have to be pre-sold; all matchday programme advertising has to be pre-sold and pre-printed.

In addition all ground advertising boards have to be renewed, re-painted, removed and replaced.

All the events (e.g. family days, special promotions, parachutists, sportsmen's dinners, golf days and the Junior Blues Event Day) during the season have to be pre-booked, arranged and where possible pre-sold as far as is humanly possible.

On-top of this there are all the memberships to renew such as the Vere Suite Membership (formerly the Blues Club), Baby Blues Supporters Club (formerly the Junior Blues), Junior Blues Supporters Club (formerly the Senior and True Blues), and the new Blues Supporters Club (formerly in part the Blues Travel Club).

All this work has to be done in May, June and July. Last season we lost the whole of May due to the play-offs, a problem we all would gladly welcome again this season.

In addition Wycombe Wanderers are launching a new brand name and a new A4 full colour club and leisure wear catalogue this week, which has taken over six months to put together.

The matchday programme has also been re-designed for the



Mark Austin - high quality of away coaches is being maintained and made more affordable

1995/96 season, with the emphasis on up-grading the product, with the inclusion of much more full-colour, editorial and features.

Last season's matchday programme finished 3rd in the Wiral Division II awards and 20th overall in the Wiral Programme awards for professional football, including the Premier League.

Congratulations must therefore go to programme editor Adrian Wood and his team, along with our long suffering printers PK Graphics who

New contract with Motts Travel

together got Wycombe Wanderers matchday programme in the Premier League of Programmes.

The new Blues Supporters Club membership scheme has had a good take up so far, without even the executive coach away travel prices being published.

All those who have signed up to date will be delighted to hear the club have signed a five-year contract with Motts Travel to provide executive coach travel (i.e. W.C., hot drinks, reclining seats, video etc.) for all our supporters and indeed the team.

The deal includes a brand new team coach next year and special ovens fitted by courtesy of Motts Travel to ensure the players eat the right food (no more fish and chips!).

Every away travel price for children, adults and O.A.P.'s has been reduced by £1 from last year's league away fares and as promised

all Blues' Supporters Club members prices are £3 cheaper than non-members' prices, whether you are a child, adult or O.A.P.

All the extremely competitive executive coach prices to all destinations are set out in this edition of the Blues News.

The high quality of the away coaches is therefore being maintained and made more affordable.

Last year's Blues' Travel Club membership was £5, whereas this year it is incorporated into the new

Benefits will increase

Blues' Membership Club.

The increase to £10 is quite simply to subsidise the away executive travel. As we have reduced the price by £1 per trip, logic dictates that if someone makes 30 away trips they will save £25 off last year's prices.

On-top of this the club is swallowing up the small increased costs requested by Motts Travel.

Any Wycombe Wanderers supporter, whether a Blues' Supporters Club member or not, who makes 15 or more away trips by the last away match of the season, will travel to Twerton Park, the home of Bristol Rovers, absolutely free.

All Blues Supporters Club Members receive 2nd priority booking (after season ticket holders and League Members) for all home matches, as well as the right to regularly attend free all-Blues' Supporters' Club Forums at Adams Park.

Where ticket allocations allow it is also intended that all Blues Supporters Club Members will get 2nd priority booking for away matches as well.

As the club develops, agrees its own constitution from amongst its own members, the benefits of membership will continually increase.

I hope this puts paid to the lie that the Blues Supporters Club membership scheme is just another money-making exercise, especially as all monies raised by the new club will be their own to do with as they see fit.

This new club was designed to benefit all Blues supporters, including season ticket holders and League Members.

So if you don't want to miss out on any of the savings and benefits, the club advises you to join before the start of the league season.

Chance to see the Saints

Wycombe Wanderers v Southampton

WE look forward to seeing you at Adams Park for our final home pre-season friendly against Premiership Southampton on Tuesday August 1.

The match kicks-off at 7.45pm with entrance prices at the reduced rate of £9 for seats, £6 for terraces and £4 concessions.

Tickets are available from the

Commercial Offices (Monday - Friday 9am - 5.30pm), Wanderers in Town (Monday - Saturday 9am - 5.30pm) or by telephoning the Creditcard Hotline on (01494) 441118 Monday - Friday 9.15am - 5.15pm.

All Telephone Creditcard Bookings for the 1995/96 now carry a £1 per match booking fee, although all Wycombe Wanderers Visa Card Holders do not have to pay the £1 fee.



Warm welcome Alan Smith

A sincere welcome to our new manager Alan Smith and his new team.

He is accompanied by his right-hand man from Crystal Palace, David Kemp, who joins the Blues as Assistant Manager.

The majority of fans will remember Dave from his managerial days at Slough Town, where he turned a side one-off relegation

into the team that took the 1992/93 Conference season down to the wire.

Recently appointed Neil Smylie joins as Youth Team Manager, ably assisted by our new Youth Development Officer, Jim Melvin, who moves across from Community Officer.

Alan Smith has already cut the playing staff to 22 with the depart-

ure of Cyrille Regis and David Titterton.

The general reaction to Alan's appointment has been extremely favourable, with everybody looking forward to an exciting new era for Wycombe Wanderers.

The club wishes him and all his team every success as he establishes the YTS Scheme and sets up our Youth Policy.

We're all part of the team

Manager sets out his stall

The first thing I want to make clear for everyone is that the most important people in Wycombe Wanderers are the loyal club supporters.

It is vital that we come up with a package that is both new, fresh and exciting and that we are giving value for money - making Adams Park the place that you want to revisit time and time again.

I will be emphasising to the players that the supporters and sponsors pay our wages.

I can say that from my short time here, I have found everyone enthusiastic, wanting to make this club something special.

Great emphasis will be put upon entertaining football which will be played at an exciting pace. The players have recently started a new fitness and diet regime and I am sure you will see the benefits.

Emphasis will also now be put on our Youth policy and we have recently employed a new Youth Team Manager, Neil Smylie, and for the first time we have a Youth Development Officer in Jim Melvin.

We want to get the best players in the area to come to the club at an early age to play for Wycombe Wanderers.

This will be backed up by our Football in the Community officer who will visit local schools and clubs.

From the groundsman to the programme sellers, to everyone who works at Wycombe Wanderers, we want to have a package that makes coming to Adams Park a day out to remember.

The club has enjoyed great stability over the years which is due to the Chairman and the Board of Directors.

The work that has been done here must be continued so that Wycombe can progress through the League, rather like Wimbledon have done.

Get in quick to sponsor your 'fave' Wanderer

TAKE advantage of the special opportunity to sponsor your favourite first team Blues player.

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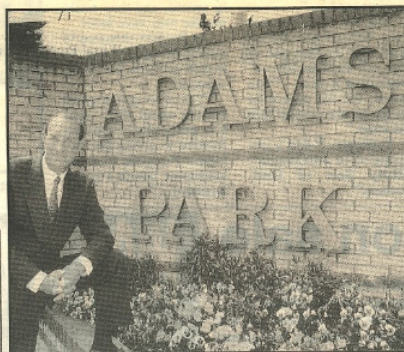
It's a great chance to join the club and support it in a very special way.

The whole package costs £200 plus VAT.

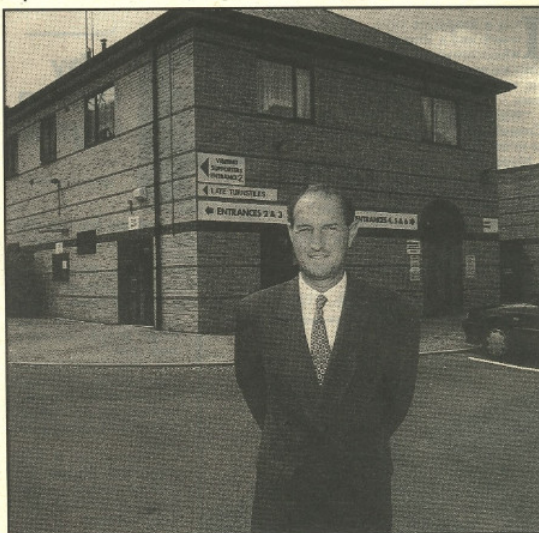
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□ Right outside the Corner Flag club shop, and above with the new issue of Blues News



□ He's arrived - the newly appointed manager pictured outside the entrance to the ground



□ Photographer Peter Wilson took the new manager on a tour of the ground, capturing him in both reflective and relaxed mood.

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"Whatever are we to do?" moaned Commissioner Reardon. "who will save us in this dark hour?"

Mayor Beeks nodded in weary agreement: "The good people of Adams City need something to believe in, something to raise their spirits. We need a hero."

A faint breeze stirred the curtain, and suddenly two caped figures were standing in the room.

"Who are you?" gasped Commissioner Reardon.

"I'm Batman," came the reply. "Oh,



by
Darren Bignell

and this is Robin."

"Your lower cheek and jaw look very tanned, Batman. Been on holiday?" enquired Mayor Beeks.

"No time for chit-chat, Mayor," said Batman. "We've come from our palace to bring hope, to bring fitness and to

generally save the day. Come Robin, we have work to do."

A while later, Batman joined Robin as he stared out across the pristine, verdant pasture at those committed to helping the cause.

"We've got a real chance here, Batman, just look at all those super heroes at our disposal," Robin enthused.

"Well, I've ordered them all brand new costumes, so I hope they're worth it - give me the details."

"See the huge fella in the middle?" began Robin. "That's Terry the Barbarian, pretty damn lethal even without the axe, apparently. Never shirks a challenge, high or low, he relishes wading into an attack and sorting it out. Rumour has it that after intercepting a winger and clearing into touch last year, the ball ended up in West Wycombe, and bits of toe were found in row E of the stand."

"Sounds like a formidable figure," mused Batman. "Who else?"

"The guy next to him is completely different. Matthew The Saint by name: cool, suave, gets the job done with an economy of effort, and always manages to look good doing it, rarely a hair out of place -



□ **SUPER-Si-man in flying form**

panache personified, basically."

At that moment, a blonde flash tore past at almost twice the speed of sound, sending up a cloud of dust that hurriedly got out of the way when it saw the sonic boom harrying along behind.

"Now that would be Keith Whizz," said Robin. "Bit of a dynamo, all told. Belts about the park like there's no tomorrow, always gives 110%. There's some suspicion that he's just a character from the Beano, but who's going to hold that against him?"

Robin checked his notes: "And you won't believe this, but Super-Si-man's on board, too."

"Really," said Batman.

"I don't see him."

"Ah, no, that's because he's behind the stand, practising the first part of that anti-nicotine advert," explained Robin. "You know, the bit where he sucks all the smoke into his lungs."

Suddenly, Robin's jaw dropped in amazement; "Holy Son of God, Batman!"

"What?" the caped crusader replied.

"There, in the number seven shirt," babbled Robin. "Isn't that the lad from Nazareth?"

"Certainly looks like it," agreed Batman. "That's a blessing having Him on the team."

He looked around him with a satisfied air: "I think you're right Robin, our prospects do look good. Some work needs to be done, admittedly, but with heroes of this calibre - look, there's Incredible Hyde, and Tony Gonzales, too - is there anything we can't achieve?"

A buzz of excitement went round Adam's City as the citizens heard of Batman and Robin's timely arrival, and they could breathe easy once more.

As Batman prepared to outline his master plan, he leaned towards his trusty sidekick:

"Yes, I've got a good feeling about this. And I'm particularly looking forward to giving the foul Denis Penguin and his loathsome bunch a sound thrashing...."



□ **MATT the saint has a bad hair day**



□ **PRAISE the Lord, the lad from Nazareth**

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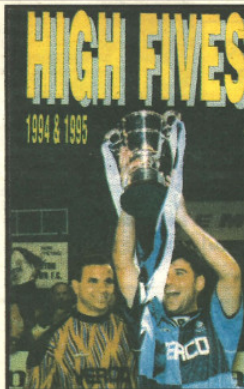
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Terry's back under the surgeons knife



CAPTAIN'S LOG
by Terry Evans

SINCE the last Blues News a great deal has happened to both myself and the club. The biggest news was of course the appointment of Alan Smith together with his assistant Dave Kemp, this speaks volumes for Wycombe Wanderers that a manager of his quality should take the position.

The players were disappointed with Martin's departure but received a big boost when the news filtered through of his successor. I feel confident that the club will continue to improve and progress come the start of the new season.

The lads have already started full blown pre-season training at Bisham Abbey in the mornings and afternoons, they will however ease off slightly for the friendlies.

As mentioned last month I did attend a sum-

mer fete at Bellfield First School, (see back page) it was a very successful event with plenty of Wanderers supporters in attendance. I was asked to open the event by lighting a huge firework something that did worry my promotions manager but there was no way I was going to disappoint.

Later that week I was unfortunately rushed into hospital with stomach pains, this was diagnosed as an appendicitis so for the umpteenth time, I was under the surgeons knife.

The week I stayed in hospital was very boring but at least I was able to carry on with the shoulder exercises Dave Jones had prescribed. It is important that I take it easy for the next few weeks but if there was a good time for this to happen, now is that time.

Thank you to all the supporters who sent get well cards and letters asking when I will be back playing, it is not yet clear when I will be ready but I so feel confident that the appendicitis will not put back my return further.

I was unable to attend a

previously arranged engagement at St. Andrews School Chinnor but Dave Carroll and Keith Ryan stepped in at very short notice to ensure that large crowd was not disappointed.

Wanderers kindly supplied some merchandise to a village that has a very strong loyalty to the team. The players were supplied with a decorated table to allow supporters to ask questions and supply autographs. The huge interest meant that they were busy for nearly two hours before leaving with sore wrists!

After the departure of Steve Walford I was very pleased to learn that my old friend from Brentford, Neil Smiley, had been appointed youth team manager. I am sure that you will learn of his background soon so I will leave that to others to write about but I so feel confident that this is another excellent appointment for the Wanderers and I wish him every success.

After training last Wednesday, a clay pigeon

shoot was organised for the lads, I went along knowing that they would not allow me to shoot one handed from the hip but it was still an enjoyable afternoon all the same.

Wrong opinion

THE article written by Terry Evans in last month's issue of the Blues News gave an opinion about an incident last season when Jason Cousins was hit by an away supporter.

We would point out that this was not in fact written by Terry but unfortunately did come under his Captains Log article.

Tough act to follow

by Alan Parry

THE most glorious period in the long history of Wycombe Wanderers turned neatly in a full circle with the news that Martin O'Neill had left the club to become the new manager of Norwich City.

With an amazing twist of irony, Martin had returned to Carrow Road where we "found" him some five years earlier.

Readers of the book "Out of the Blue - the success story at Wycombe Wanderers" may recall the story. We had both been watching a Norwich v Liverpool F.A Cup tie in January, 1990, when I bumped into Martin O'Neill in the gent's toilets of all places.

I had known Martin for years and I always felt that a man with his knowledge of the game, superb playing career, massive enthusiasm and engaging personality had all the qualities needed to become a successful manager. He didn't need much persuading to apply for the job at Wycombe - left vacant by Jim Kelman's departure - and the rest, as they say, is history.

As I wrote in the forward to "Out of the blue": "I had always been convinced that Martin was the man who could guide Wycombe into the Football League, but he has achieved much more than I ever dared to hope for." That book was published in 1992, a whole year before we won the Vauxhall Conference and promotion to the football league!

Martin's achievements at Wycombe Wanderers are well known to all of you and he did it in his own unique, inimitable style. Life was never dull when Martin was around and he will be missed by everyone at the club. I wish him well in his new career and thank him for everything he did for Wycombe.

The news of Martin's departure reached me whilst I was on holiday in California. The Chairman, Ivor Beeks - also holidaying in Portugal - must have spent a fortune on telephone calls as he kept all the directors informed of the situation.

The manager's job was advertised in the national press and the response was overwhelming. Over 60 applications were received including letters from some of the games most famous names. It proved how much Martin and his team had done to raise the club's status and profile in such a short period of time.

When the chairman told me that Alan Smith was among the interested parties, I was as thrilled as he obviously was. From that point on, things moved very quickly and before I'd returned home from the United States, we had ourselves a brand new management team.

As I said at the press conference to announce Alan's appointment, this is the start of a new era at Wycombe Wanderers. We are fortunate that a man with his outstanding track record in the game was both available and interested. I don't believe that we could have made a better choice.

Alan's approach will be totally different to Martin's. I know that Alan places great importance on coaching, tactics, organisation and preparation. Martin was more unpredictable, placing more emphasis on instinct and motivation to get the best out of his players.

There's one thing, though, that both men agree on: no matter what your ideas or methods, the only thing which ultimately matters is winning three points. Winning them in a fair and sporting manner, certainly, and winning them with a touch of style, preferably, but the

only way to be a successful manager is to win more games than you lose. Fact.

I'm told that, under Martin O'Neill, Wycombe won something like 50 per cent of games played. That's staggering. One win in every two games or 69 points per season. Alan Smith knows that will be a very tough act to follow.

I'm particularly pleased that Alan has brought in David Kemp as his assistant. I believe that "Kempy" would have been an outstanding candidate for the job in his own right and we're very fortunate to have not one but two men of their calibre and past record. What David achieved at Slough Town is enough to gain him the instant respect of all Wycombe fans.

If pre-season training was anything to go by, the players will start the new campaign looking fit, sharp and raring to go. They are all desperate to prove themselves to the new manager, who has a completely open mind about the composition of his best eleven.

In time, I'm sure that Alan and David will make changes and try to bring in players of their own choice. That's understandable and inevitable. Before then, however, every single player on the existing playing staff has the chance to show the manager what he's capable of. You can't ask fairer than that.

I know that the most important people - you, our supporters - are delighted at the appointment of Messrs Smith and Kemp. You have told us so in letters, phone calls and a sudden upsurge in season ticket sales.

So, we will all start the new season with a fresh wave of optimism, but what so the next nine months hold in store? Alan Smith's teams have always played entertaining football. Like Martin, he loves playing with two wingers and he likes his players to have strength and pace. You can also expect to see a new variety of well-rehearsed routines from corners and free-kicks.

It's going to be a very hard division. The relegated quartet of Swindon, Bristol City, Notts County and Burnley are all big clubs who've tasted life at the highest level. Promoted Carlisle and Walsall will mount a challenge. Then there's Bristol Rovers, Crewe, Brentford, Blackpool, Oxford and Bradford. I reckon that a dozen clubs are capable of chasing the three promotion places - and Wycombe Wanderers will be one of them.



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If you have not already joined the new Blues Supporters Club membership scheme, then we would encourage you to do so.

As this new scheme now incorporates the Blues Travel Club and will give you second priority booking for all home friendly, league and cup matches, as well as the right to attend and vote during the regular meetings of the new Blues Supporters Club Forum.

This Forum will set up its own constitution, control all its own finances (with the only exception each season of the membership fee season which goes towards subsidising the executive away coach travel) and elect a committee of four delegates to meet quarterly with a director and club officials.

All meetings will be held at Adams Park, without any charge to the Blues Supporters Club and the bars will be open if required.

All those who travelled on our away executive coaches last season will be aware that prices were reduced throughout 1994/95 from the previous season. Thanks to the setting up of the new Blues Supporters Club, all its members will now travel to away matches for even less.

The club guarantees that all 1995/96 executive away coach travel prices will be £1 cheaper per person to ALL Blues Supporters Club Members, per away league match than the 1994/95 season.

Free coach travel to Twerton Park

In addition members are also guaranteed that their special prices will always be £3 cheaper per person, per away match, than non-members prices.

The club has recently signed a 5 year contract with Motts Travel to supply all the supporters coaches and the Team Coach.

Every executive supporters coach for the next 5 years will therefore be equipped with reclining seats, W.C., hot drinks making facilities, curtains or blinds and a VHS video/stereo.

Displayed right is a complete list of all the extremely competitive prices for executive away coaches

Any Blues' Supporter Club member who makes 15 or more trips on the official W.W.F.C supporters' Executive coaches during the 1995-96 season will be able to travel to the last match of the season free of charge.

Please see Rena in the Vere Suite foyer cloakroom on match days for further details to book, phone or phone her on 01494 882916.

To join the new Blues Supporters Club membership scheme costs £10, whether you are a child, an adult or O.A.P.

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In addition to this, the match day programme will carry a graphic of a players shirt which will show all the names of the players sponsors underneath. Also included

in the package is a signed WWFC football and regular PA announcements throughout the season. It's a great chance to join the club and support it in a very special way. The whole package costs £200 plus VAT.

For more information and a chance to 'mark your man' contact Tim Arnold or Mark Austin in the commercial offices at Adams Park Tel: 01494 472100.

BLUES TRAVEL CLUB PRICES FOR 1995/96 SEASON

FIXTURE	MEMBERS			NON-MEMBERS		
	CHILD	OAP	ADULT	CHILD	OAP	ADULT
Sat 19th August, 1995 NOTTS COUNTY	£6.50	£7.50	£8.50	£9.50	£10.50	£11.50
Tues 22nd August LEYTON ORIENT	£3.50	£4.50	£5.50	£6.50	£7.50	£8.50
Tues 29th August BRIGHTON & HOVE ALBION	£5.00	£6.00	£7.00	£8.00	£9.00	£10.00
Sat 2nd September BRADFORD CITY	£9.00	£10.00	£11.00	£12.00	£13.00	£14.00
Sat 16th September STOCKPORT COUNTY	£8.50	£9.50	£10.50	£11.50	£12.50	£13.50
Sat 30th September BRISTOL CITY	£6.00	£7.00	£8.00	£9.00	£10.00	£11.00
Sat 7th October BURNLEY	£10.50	£11.50	£12.50	£13.50	£14.50	£15.50
Sat 21st October OXFORD UNITED	£2.00	£3.00	£4.00	£5.00	£6.00	£7.00
Sat 4th November SWANSEA CITY	£8.50	£9.50	£10.50	£11.50	£12.50	£13.50
Sat 25th November CARLISLE UTD	£14.00	£15.00	£16.00	£17.00	£18.00	£19.00
Sat 9th December WREXHAM	£8.50	£9.50	£10.50	£11.50	£12.50	£13.50
Tues 26th December SWINDON TOWN	£4.50	£5.50	£6.50	£7.50	£8.50	£9.50
Sat 30th December, 1995 BRENTFORD	£2.00	£3.00	£4.00	£5.00	£6.00	£7.00
Sat 6th January, 1996 BLACKPOOL	£10.00	£11.00	£12.00	£13.00	£14.00	£15.00
Sat 20th January CREWE ALEXANDRA	£7.50	£8.50	£9.50	£10.50	£11.50	£12.50
Sat 3rd February AFC BOURNEMOUTH	£5.50	£6.50	£7.50	£8.50	£9.50	£10.50
Sat 17th February CHESTERFIELD	£7.50	£8.50	£9.50	£10.50	£11.50	£12.50
Sat 24th February PETERBOROUGH UNITED	£5.50	£6.50	£7.50	£8.50	£9.50	£10.50
Sat 9th March, 1996 SHREWSBURY TOWN	£7.00	£8.00	£9.00	£10.00	£11.00	£12.00
Sat 23rd March ROTHERHAM UNITED	£8.50	£9.50	£10.50	£11.50	£12.50	£13.50
Tues 2nd April WALSALL	£6.00	£7.00	£8.00	£9.00	£10.00	£11.00
Sat 6th April HULL CITY	£10.50	£11.50	£12.50	£13.50	£14.50	£15.50
Sat 13th April YORK CITY	£9.50	£10.50	£11.50	£12.50	£13.50	£14.50
Sat 4th May BRISTOL ROVERS	£5.00	£6.00	£7.00	£8.00	£9.00	£10.00

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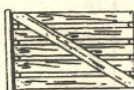
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There is no booking fee if you wish to join the Blues Supporters' Club using the Credit Card Hotline.

NEW FOR THE 1995/96 SEASON

FREE ENTRY FOR ALL**OPEN DAY 12.30pm - 4pm
WEDNESDAY 2nd AUGUST 1995**

Blues open house



Big Terry is a fete winner

WANDERERS star Terry Evans took time off from the rigours of professional football to bring a little ray of soccer sunshine into the

lives of these children. Terry was invited to Bellfield First School to open their fete. And after lighting a firework to

set the fun afternoon on its way Terry mingled with Blues supporters chatting and signing autographs.

WYCOMBE Wanderers is holding an open day at Adams Park for everybody on Wednesday 2nd August 1995.

All Blues Supporters and anybody else who wants to come are invited to attend an open day at the home of Wycombe Wanderers anytime during the period 12.30pm - 4pm.

Access to the stadium will be via the Main Entrance.

Virtually the whole of Adams Park will be available to view and photograph.

When you come you will be greeted by the Chairman Ivor Beeks, Football Manager Alan Smith, ALL the players, staff, YTS lads and management, who will be available to answer your questions (hopefully!), talk to, photograph, obtain signatures from etc. The few areas out of bounds will be clearly marked on the day, which will include the pitch for obvious reasons. If you want anything autographed please bring it with you.

Photocall

At 12.30pm the whole squad and management will pose for the annual team photograph in the home strip, the new track suits and hopefully new blazers.

All the national and local press, television and radio are being invited to attend this event. Bring your camera if you want your own photograph of the squad. Please note the pitch will be off-limits.

On view

On view inside the stadium will be the Managers Office, Assistant

Managers Office, Youth Development Officers Office, Sports Therapist Treatment Room, Home Changing Room, Seymour Gym, Referees Room, Boot Room, Ercol Boardroom, Centre Spot Public House, Keen Lounge, Chiltern Sponsors Room, Kitchens, Wembley Room, Vere Suite, Children's Room and the Cornerflag Clubshop.

Eat out

Inside the stadium you can sit in the Directors box, inspect all of the six new tea bars, sample the new burgers and hotdogs etc. visit the ground control box, walk up the players tunnel and try out the view from every angle on every terrace, home & away.

The Centre Spot Pub & Restaurant will be open from 11am - 3pm as usual, serving meals if required, and the Cornerflag Clubshop will be open from 12.30pm to 4pm for souvenirs etc.

Giveaways

There will be giveaways for every child attending the open day, and Bluey the Swan, Wycombe Wanderers Official Club mascot might even make an appearance.

Whether you are a Blues Fan or not, don't miss this unique opportunity to visit the only full-time professional football club in Buckinghamshire, as it opens its heart and throws open its doors to the whole community.

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