



A GLARING question mark this week hovers over the future of Wycombe Wanderers' deputy goalkeeper Kevin O'Brien.

The shock signing of Tooting and Mitcham first choice, Brian Ede would suggest Kevin's days at Loakes Park are numbered. Ede, who was hooked while playing in goal for the South Londoners at Wycombe on Saturday, October 23, debuted for his new club in Tuesday night's Floodlight League encounter with Slough.

It was only after a last minute phone call by Wanderers that the 'keeper's clearance was confirmed. O'Brien's name appeared in the match programme, and Ede's appearance came as a complete surprise to all but Wycombe's managerial team.

Ede apparently somewhat

O'Brien's future at Wycombe is in balance

disillusioned by the poor defensive covering he had been receiving from his Tooting colleagues, decided upon a move.

On present form, there can be little doubt he will take over the second spot at Wycombe. O'Brien, lacking match practice — he has played only three competitive games to date — has not as yet reproduced the brand of sharp 'keeping that at one stage last term, made him a strong challenger to John Maskell.

O'Brien discussed the situa-

tion with manager Brian Lee after Tuesday's game. The decision to stay and fight for his place or leave to seek regular football elsewhere is now up to him.

LUTON COMING AT LONG LAST!

IT is quite sometime since Totteridge-based Viv Busby quit the Wycombe Wanderers squad to join Alec Stock's then promotion fighters of Luton Town, where his friend Mike Keen is skipper.

As part compensation for the

winger's departure, Luton promised to send a side to Loakes Park — and, at last, that pledge is being honoured.

On Monday November 22 Keen, Busby and company travel to Wycombe for a friendly with the Wanderers and, as usual, the professional claim they will supply their strongest possible team.

Also lined up in the near future is the publication of the club's handbook commemorating the championship triumph of last season.