



Lawrie McMenemy (left) chats to Wycombe Wanderers chairman elect Brian Lee, committee man Peter Swinburn and new manager Mike Keen at Bisham Abbey.

Night of the stars

IT was a night to remember for the football connoisseur when Wycombe Wanderers staged their first ever Sportsmen's Dinner in the Great Hall, at Bisham Abbey last Thursday.

Former Northern Ireland manager Danny Blanchflower and Laurie McMenemy, the Southampton boss — two of the game's most entertaining characters — were the star speakers and each held their audience spellbound during their 30 minute talks.

In their contrasting ways they kept the 100 guests, each of whom paid £11, entertained and informed on the trials of being a manager and on the coverage of football in the popular press.

The speeches were rounded off by Geoff Moore, who has appeared on the ITV programme *The Comedians*. Geoff, who has played for Altrincham in the past provided a whole fund of stories.

The final event of the evening was an auction of donated gifts, which raised another £160.

All the proceeds of the evening will be going towards the Wycombe Wanderers tour fund. The Blues have already made plans to tour Italy in May although these have still to be finalised.

The club hope that these dinners will become part of the club's social calendar.

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THE High Wycombe and District Referees Society are holding a training course beginning next Monday at the White Horse, West Wycombe Road, starting at 7.45 pm. Further details are obtainable from Henry Dale on High Wycombe 29050.