

Top signing hits a snag

BARRY Fry's plans to bring former Enfield captain Noel Ashford to Underhill have hit a minor snag — but he is still hopeful he can get his man, even at a cool £10,000.

Ashford, who skippered Wycombe Wanderers to the Vauxhall-Opel League premier division title last season, has already agreed personal terms with Fry, who was hoping to include him in Monday night's friendly at Stevenage.

But the resignation of Wycombe manager Alan Gane has thrown a spanner in the works.

Fry said: "Everything had been sorted out with Alan and he was prepared to let Noel go. But the chairman Brian Lee is not letting him go until the new manager has a chance to talk with Ashford."

But Fry added: "Ashford is almost 100 per cent certain of coming to Underhill and he does not want to stay at Wycombe."

Fry is hoping the most capped England non-league player will do the same for Barnet as he did for Enfield, when two seasons ago he skipped them to the then called, Gola League title.

He sees the acquisition of the talented Ashford as "the icing on the cake" in Barnet's quest for Football League status.