

Injury mars flying start by Barnet

By Peter Ernest

A HAT-TRICK by Dave Sansom, including two penalties, gave **Barnet** a flying 4-2 start against the GM Vauxhall Conference newcomers from **Lincoln**.

Though Sansom's feat was supplemented by a fourth goal from Nicky Evans, Barnet's elation was tempered, by a bad left knee injury to John Margerrison.

New boys Bob Cumming and Mick Waite scored for **Lincoln**.

Fisher Athletic, also Conference newcomers, opened their account with a 2-1 win at **Northwich**, where Ossie Bayram and Herbie Smith replied to an early goal by Stuart Parker.

Suddaby takes over

The opening day's most convincing victory came from **Stafford**, 4-0 winners at **Wycombe**, who have appointed Peter Suddaby, 39, as manager in succession to Alan Gane. Malcolm Dunkley, Rangers' new signing from Bromsgrove, scored twice to add to goals by Ken Beech and Phil Derbyshire.

Other debut scorers were Paul Wilson, in **Boston United's** 1-0 win over **Kidderminster**; Andy Rowland, with both goals in **Weymouth's** 2-0 win at **Welling**; Steve Wiggins and Ricky Bond in **Dagenham's** 3-2 success over **Altrincham**; and Gary Smart, for **Cheltenham** in the 1-1 draw with **Wealdstone**.

Macclesfield, promoted from the Multipart League, had Steve Burr to thank for their 1-0 win over Maidstone, while goals by Frank Murphy and Mark Smith enabled **Kettering** to beat **Enfield** 2-1.