

MY GOAL IS THE FOOTBALL LEAGUE

NEW Blues boss Peter Suddaby is confident he'll soon be back in League soccer ... with Wycombe Wanderers.

Suddaby, a defender who tasted the big time with Blackpool and then went on to play for Brighton and Wimbledon, spelled out his hopes this week.

With Wycombe now in the GM Vauxhall Conference and just a step away from Division Four, he said: "This is an ambitious club with limitless potential."

Suddaby, 39, played in defence for the Blues back in the 1960s and then spent nine seasons with

Says the new Blues' boss

Blackpool when the Lancashire club recaptured some of their old glory.

He moved on to Brighton and later joined Wimbledon who were playing non-league soccer 11 years ago. Now they're in the First Division.

He rejoined Brighton under manager Alan Mullery last season as first team coach. He went on to coach the youth team at Spurs during the summer.

He was named as the new Wycombe manager after watching the side crash 4-0 at home to Stafford

Rangers on Saturday.

"We started well but then faded," said Suddaby, who wants time to assess the present squad before thinking about any changes.

Penalty

The players did him proud on Wednesday night when they went to Maidstone and came away 1-0 winners.

Wycombe's winner came from a 26th minute penalty.

Noel Ashford was felled in the box and Mark West scored from the spot.

Maidstone finished third in the Conference last season so they're no pushover.

Yesterday Blues' assistant manager John Reardon said: "Peter is very pleased. We know what the



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standard is and it was very high last night.

"We had to work right up to the last minute to get the result.

"It was a hard-fought, well-earned win."

It was a different story on Saturday for Wycombe's opening game of the campaign.

Goals after 26, 30, 72 and 89 minutes

stressed Stafford's superiority, though Wanderers fought to get back into the game.

But the third goal killed them off.

Wycombe face Kidderminster Harriers tomorrow at their Aggborough ground. The Worcester side have a lethal brace of strikers led by Kim Casey, who scored 38 last season, eight more than his nearest Conference rival.

Over 1,000 fans attended both the Stafford game and the match at Maidstone, with several Blues fans travelling to Kent.

The club hope for another sizeable contingent at tomorrow's fixture and for the Charity Shield clash with Bognor at Loakes Park on Bank Holiday Monday.