

ALL SET TO SWOOP

WYCOMBE manager Peter Suddaby and assistant John Reardon are on the verge of securing a new signing after stepping up their search for new players in recent weeks.

The Blues management team are hoping to add an experienced GM Vauxhall Conference star within the next week to bolster their squad.

"I cannot name any names because it would be unfair to the team, but we have put in bids for a number of Conference players," revealed Suddaby this week.

The Wanderers manager declined to comment on how many men he is chasing but I believe he is negotiating with at least four top players.

Suddaby, who was out searching for new talent on Tuesday night added: "We have made a list of those we want but they are all under contract.

"We are close to an agreement."

Assistant John Reardon added: "We know we have got to sign players and there has been a lot of activity over the past few weeks.

"Both Peter and myself

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have been busy and we are confident of a new signing within the next couple of weeks."

I understand that the Wanderers management team, still negotiating with Barnet over Barry Little and Graham Westley, is aiming to strengthen both the midfield and forward line.

The midfield is a worry as Graham Bressington will be missing for up to six weeks after breaking a small bone in his foot during the 2-2 draw

with Runcorn at Loakes Park on Saturday.

"His injury is a terrible blow," commented Suddaby. "He will be on crutches for three weeks and it will take as long again for him to get fit."

Unless Blues snap up someone today or tomorrow morning then Andy Graham looks likely to be recalled to midfield for the home clash with Enfield.

"Barry Little could move to central midfield to take over from Bressington but we don't have many options," added Reardon.

Also doubtful is Kevin Durham who came off during the first half against Runcorn with a thigh strain.

"He is 50-50 but we hope he will be fit for the Enfield match," said the assistant manager.

Wycombe chase Conference men

"Neil Price has a knee injury but has more chance of playing, and Keith Barrett should be all right after getting a dead-leg on Saturday."

Former champions Enfield have good reason to fear Blues when they visit Loakes Park tomorrow.

Despite being relegated two seasons ago, Wanderers managed to complete the double over the London club.

That included a dramatic 3-2 comeback victory at The Stadium with two goals in the dying minutes.

Enfield have their own injury problems with three regulars out.

Midfielder Brian Sparrow, signed from Crystal Palace in the close season has achilles trouble, Nigel Keen is out with a groin strain while forward Paul Harding is still recovering from a cartilage operation.

Their current star is Robin Lewis, signed from Kingstonian in the close season, who is pulling the strings in midfield.

Other new boys include Wealdstone pair Doug McClure and Steve Tapley. Wycombe will want to watch McClure's temper — he has already been booked five times and sent off once.

Probable team: Andy Pape, Doug McClure, Dave Howell, Steve Tapley, Keith Hayzelden, Robin Lewis, Martin Duffield, John Cooper, Steve King, Nicky Francis, Paul Furlong, Steve Scott, David Jacques.