

Don't delay — stop rot

IN the light of the current circumstances, I simply have to say how disheartened I and other London based supporters are, at the predicament facing Wycombe Wanderers in the hope that full and comprehensive answers will be forthcoming from the club management.

As a supporter of at least 30 years, including almost the past 14 years travelling from South London and Surrey area, it is really terribly said to witness the present state of affairs.

Two years ago, we witnessed the disappointing return of the Blues from the then Gola League to the Vauxhall Opel, with what appeared to be little effort on behalf of the then administrative structure to avoid the problem by the possible wise buy, that may have steadied the ship in its hour of need.

Subsequently, following the creation of the present Board organisation, it seemed that the powers that be had seen the error of their ways and were intent upon building for the future, adding the likes of Ashford, Barrett, Graham etc to the club's playing staff as it went seeking new glories.

What a wonderful season we witnessed then and what skilful football and great team spirit was fostered

under the wing of the Gane-Reardon banner. Then what? With the majority of supporters girding themselves hopefully for a reasonably fruitful sortie into the highest echelons of non league football, we are being subjected to almost as bad, if not as bad, a time as experience in 1985/86.

Whilst we read in the local press similar comments to those made during our last venture into this particular league, referring to both new players and as to whether money would be well spent or otherwise, we fail recently to find anything constructive in the club's matchday pro-

grammes and of late we find few columns headed 'Managers Comments'. Has this been replaced by the 'Alan Parry' article and if so why?

But in all seriousness, as far as recent matches are concerned, the players cannot be totally blamed for the overall performances, as it does not take a blind man to notice how much of last season's skill and possession football has been knocked out of the side by the style of 'Up and Under' in the hope that the ball breaks kindly.

I really cannot understand this new style, especially as the club still

retains at least one half of last term's management team, which appeared to pride itself on the finer arts.

Surely all the supporters, especially all those who follow the club through thick and thin, home and away, deserve far more information and closer confidence from the hierarchy as to proposals and or remedies, especially in view of the current plight, when we were led to expect and to hope for more.

Please let us have direct answers, let them be constructive and halt the slide to the depths this season. — **Derek Easden, London Road, Mitcham.**

WHAT IS GOING ON!

I HAVE been a regular supporter of Wycombe Wanderers FC since the mid-Fifties, when my father introduced me to the great atmosphere of Loakes Park.

After Saturdays shameful and sickening defeat by our old 'enemies' Enfield I feel I speak for nearly all the 1,400 odd supporters (biggest in The League) who braved the atrocious conditions when I say "What the hell is going on".

In 3 home games alone we have conceded 16 goals, a record for one season, at least in my memory.

Last May after winning the Vauxhall Premier League regulars and non regulars couldn't wait for the start of the present season.

Rumours were rife about top players joining, paid for by increased gate money and prize money and, of course, the revenue from League line, etc.

The club had also become a limited company with several successful businessmen on the board.

The way Enfield strikers cut through

the defence you could think we hadn't trained for a month.

No, I'm afraid Peter Suddaby has a lot to learn and the one thing is he speaks about "We must strengthen the front line and midfield" when it's the defence that's causing the big headache. As a top defender for 10 years he should be the first to know. And to think we had to play a player with the flu and one injured because we had not fit replacements. It's unbelievable. I understand we haven't even a second goalkeeper.

If we want to make an impression and do a Wimbledon (Peter Suddeby's own words) then 5 or 6 players must be found before the wonderful Wanderers supporters start disappearing again.

I work in a large chair factory where support has always been strong; but if this Monday morning's canteen chat was anything to go by, the supporters views range from sadness to disbelief to anger at being betrayed.

The money's there. For God sake use it! — **Disillusioned (Name and address notified).**