

BLUE HEAVEN FOR FANS

LIFE begins at 40! That was the message from a bumper crowd as Wycombe reached the magical 40 points mark with a 2-1 win over Weymouth at Loakes Park on Monday.

Mark West and Adrian Mann thrilled the 2,066 crowd with first half goals to give Blues a 2-0 lead and although Weymouth pulled one back, Wycombe managed to hang on.

The huge crowd — beaten in the league only by title chasers Lincoln and Barnet — began their celebrations at the end of the match and can now look forward to Conference football against next season.

On Saturday Blues built the foundations of the weekend's success when they clinched a draw at mid-table Macclesfield.

Mark Boyland put Wycombe in front after a run in which he beat three defenders before evading the keeper and sliding the ball home.

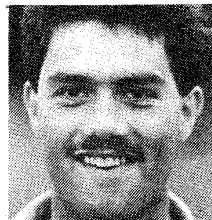
But the strong Macclesfield side soon had Wanderers on the defensive as they pushed forward and only a commanding display by 'keeper John Granville kept Wycombe in the hunt.

For much of the second half Wycombe looked to be heading for three points but the pressure eventually

told and 15 minutes from time Askey scored.

Mark West put Wycombe in front after just two minutes on Monday. The opener came after Boyland chased a long ball and the Weymouth defenders could only clear the threat to West who found the far corner from wide on the left.

New boy Laurence Osbourne initiated Wycombe's second



MARK WEST

Wanderers end relegation fears

when his shot was deflected to Mann. The striker moved right before firing inside the post.

Hesitation in defence awarded Weymouth a lifeline when former Torquay star Gerry Nardiello shot past Granville.

But Blues finished on the attack and although relegation is still a mathematical possibility no one in the Loakes Park crowd would believe it.