

Rough ride for Jim's defence

Long-suffering manager Jim Kelman calmed his nerves after Tuesday night's nerve-racking victory at Loakes Park and said: "I would have to be a robot to be able to just sit back and savour a win like that. Our back five certainly had the shakes.

"All credit to Enfield though; they had obviously had us watched and played an intelligent game. Boston pumped everything long at us in the second half on Saturday and we can soak that up all day. Enfield played low, flat balls in at Glyn Creaser and caused him a lot of trouble. They rarely played anything into the heart of the box - it was either short stuff into the goalmouth or the long ball behind the defence for them to run on to.

"Paul Furlong, who has had a terrible season so far, really gave Sean Norman a rough

time and they played some good attacking football.

"But we knew how to beat them. Dave Howell and Gary Smith are fine defenders, so we played Lawrence Osborne just in behind the front line to split them. Mark West and John Kerr chased any wide balls to draw the central defenders and Lawrence took advantage.

"We created more chances than in any other game this season and, although we should have taken more of them, you don't expect to lose if you score three."

More good news for Wycombe, as they continue their winning streak, concerns injured midfielder Dave Carroll, who is expected to be back in full contact training in two week's time now that the collar bone he broke against Wokingham in early October has healed.

He is scheduled to return to the first team on Tuesday, November 29, when Blues entertain Chesham United in the first round of the Berks and Bucks Cup.

Kelman doesn't expect Saturday's home clash with Sutton to be a classic against a side which tends to be robust and physical.

But a win in any style would be welcome as Wanderers bid to break into the Conference promotion zone.