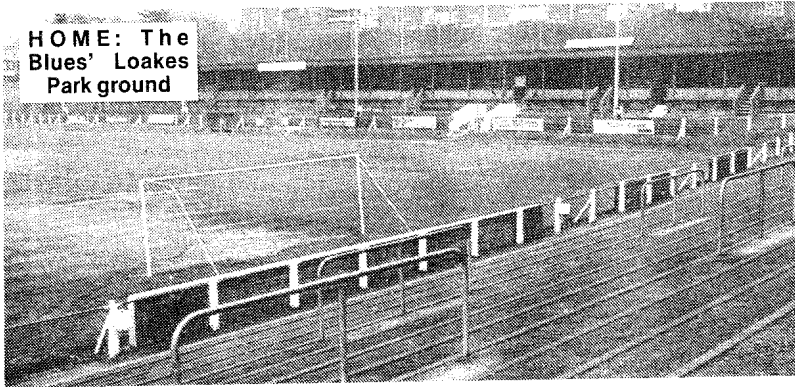


BLUES READY FOR THE BIG TIME



HOME: The Blues' Loakes Park ground

HIGH flying Wycombe Wanderers have crushed fears that they would be refused promotion to the Football League because of the condition of their ground.

The Blues are just one point behind top club Macclesfield in the GM Vauxhall Conference and they will be promoted to the League if they finish as champions.

"If we won promotion to Division Four then we would make sure we found the money to make any improvements to the ground if required," said club secretary John Goldsworthy.

"We certainly wouldn't miss the chance for promotion."

On Thursday, four Football Association members including the president, met with Wycombe police and fire officials at Loakes Park for talks on safety.

'We would not miss the chance'

"The main consideration would be safety for crowds," said Mr Goldsworthy.

"We already have a certificate of safety from Bucks County Council. The FA inspected the ground and we will be hearing from them next week."

Loakes Park was presented to Wanderers by Frank Adams, a local businessman, after the Second World War.

The pitch is well known for its in-

famous 11 foot drop from one corner to the opposite diagonal corner.

"We've played League teams before on the pitch and we're in the FA Trophy so it shouldn't cause too many problems," said Mr Goldsworthy.

Wycombe have lost just seven games out of 30 this season and last Saturday they beat championship rivals Kidderminster 1-0.

When Wanderers took Loakes Park part of the contract was that Wycombe did not become professional.

Mr Goldsworthy added: "There was a clause saying something to that effect, but everything changed in 1974. Players aren't amateurs, but semi-professional. Anyway, the clause went out of date."



TEASER: Wycombe Wanderers' star Kevin Durham takes on the Kidderminster Harriers' defence in Saturday's crucial 1-0 win that put Blues within a point of the Conference leaders

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