
Dear Sport,

I HAVE just returned home after watching Wycombe play Cheltenham. Can any of your readers tell me why Wycombe supporters make more noise at away matches than at home?

I went to the FA Cup game at Kettering and stood along with 1,500 others and the noise was deafening. At the replay, even before Kettering had scored, it was like a graveyard. Perhaps this could explain why our away record is better than our home record, and if so, it should be a signal to all the moaning supporters that positive support works wonders.

Also I would like to point out another thing that is bugging me. Why is it that now Martin has decided to sell Mickey Nuttall, "it was the worst move he's made". Last season all you heard was "Get Nuttall off, he's useless".

Please all remember this, we do not have a

god-given right to win the league. We have by far the best support in terms of numbers of people attending. If that support was more positive from some sections of the crowd we will win the league and the trophy again.

I have a message for Martin: keep doing it your way. When we do succeed again this year the doubters will be the first in the queue saying that they knew all along we could do it.

To the moaners I say quit moaning and be more positive. The players need your encouragement not your abuse.

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Dear Sport,

YOU recently asked for comments from Wycombe Wanderers FC supporters regarding a letter from an old supporter comparing the present squad with Brian Lee's great team of the early 1970s.

Amazingly I disagree with his only choice of player who would have made that successful side — Paul Hyde, who lost us a vital game against Colchester and his slip at Kettering cost us that game, but I do feel some of the present squad are up to standard including Kerr, Stapleton, Carroll, Guppy and young Cousins.

Unfortunately the rest seem to be resting on old reputations. There is a definite creaking in the back four. Creaser without Kerr is like Cannon without Ball. Creaser and Crossley are two of a kind, good with their heads but hopeless at cutting out low through balls. I feel Martin O'Neill would be better to have Stapleton as a sweeper to cover their defences.

The midfield without Stapleton is ineffective, and players like Carroll and Guppy have to do their own foraging.

I feel its now time for the Wanderers board to give Martin the money which is now pouring in to supplement the squad. Next March might be too late. Redbridge Forest, with an average gate of 470, are spending money on new players and have been transformed.

The Blues big bank account may be accruing interest, but the interest of the ever-present supporters is getting into the Fourth Division.

So let's have a "bank raid", chairman, to not only boost the team but the confidence of the best supporters in the Conference.

I, like many supporters, was sad to see Micky Nuttall go. Would Liverpool, or Arsenal get rid of Rush or Smith when on a high?

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