

IN THE BLUE CORNER

NO BLUES fan would begrudge Steve Guppy his respite from first-team action over the last couple of games after the brilliant form he's produced for the team over the season as a whole.

But a few question marks over his pace were raised when the winger was warming up as a substitute on Saturday. Starting to sprint along the touchline from the corner flag at the same time as the linesman turned, Guppy was definitely put in second place by the balding, ageing official when the pair made a race of it...

● **TALKING** of aged sprinters, director Alan Parry caused a tutter of amusement when he was commenting on the televised game between Leeds United and Arsenal on Sunday afternoon.

After Leeds' Gordon Strachan, 35 years young, had put in a sprightly chase, Parry, 72, said: "I hope I can still run that fast when I get to 35."

● **PARRY** was also in good form as he compered the splendid Sportsman's Dinner held at Adams Park last Thursday night, where Swindon boss Glenn Hoddle was the main attraction.

Frank Worthington will be speaking at the next bash on April 18 when proceeds go towards Mark West's testimonial fund.

● **KEEPER** Chuck Moussaddik, who has already played for Hayes and Slough this season, has joined Martin Blackler at Wealdstone for a loan spell in the Beazer Homes Premier Division.

● **BELATED** birthday wishes to Matt Crossley, 24 last Wednesday, and in advance to Steve Guppy, 23 next Sunday.

● **BEST** wishes for an enjoyable end of season go to one of Blues' doormen, Big Bad Bob as he wishes to be known, as he takes a breather from his duties for the rest of the season.

● **THE** youth team, still unbeaten after 10 games, have two games coming up. They visit Tring this Thursday, and are at home to Egham next Monday at Adams Park.

● **ALDERSHOT** managed to play their fixture at Cardiff City on Friday night to keep alive their hopes of an injury-time saviour.

But the club have not appealed against last Wednesday's winding-up order in the high court. Cardiff have offered the use of their ground and some reserve players on loan, but the end appears to be approaching. Their next scheduled game is at home to York this Friday night.