

Bailie cops out of Wycombe

FORMER Cambridge United captain Colin Bailie has returned his wages and left Wycombe.

In a remarkable about-turn, the 28-year-old utility player is due to join the Cumbria police after realising he was unable to rediscover his desire to play senior football.

Bailie played just one Capital League match for Wanderers, and struggled to find the tempo of the game. He telephoned Martin O'Neill to inform him of his decision ten days ago, and

travelled to Bath last Tuesday to hand back the week's wages he had received.

O'Neill said: "He'd lost his zest for the game. When he played on the Wednesday night he realised that to make a good impression here he had miles to go. It was very honest of him."

The Wycombe manager appreciates his fellow Irishman's attitude, saying: "He could have gone six or seven weeks down the road trying to get fit, taking the money and then realising it was no good. He's shown a lot of honesty making this decision, but he felt he was kidding himself."



Martin O'Neill