

Letters to the editor

Wanderers' manager gives fan the blues

I MUST reply to Martin O'Neill's comments after Wycombe Wanderers' home match against Stafford, also to Kim Casey reporting after the Kidderminster match on Worcester-shire Radio.

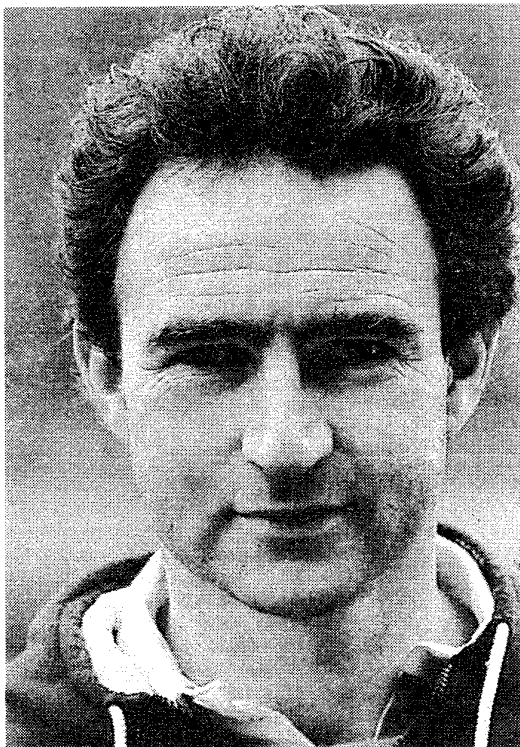
O'Neill wonders why no one was singing at the home match with Stafford.

It is probably the fact that there is no appreciation. O'Neill never mentions the way we do not stop singing at away matches, at places like Bromsgrove and Kidderminster, with support round the 1,000 mark.

Kim Casey on Worcester-shire Radio after the Kidderminster match, did not say anything about the amazing support. Maybe I dreamt that we took one-third of the crowd to Kidderminster.

The interview after Casey was with the Bromsgrove manager after their game against Woking - he did not stop talking about their 75 to 100. We get ten times this amount and no thanks whatsoever.

I definitely will not be singing at home this sea-



Martin O'Neill: He was upset by lack of noise

son, come to that away.

And, O'Neill, when you are at Runcorn and Altrincham, look round at the

hundreds of Wycombe supporters who have taken time off work and spent a fortune, who will be singing their hearts out and think again.

Maybe a nice gesture would be to walk over and say thank you rather than slugging us off.

Wycombe doesn't deserve its amazing support.

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Blue songs ban has Blues blue

WYCOMBE Wanderers fans are keeping their mouths shut during home games because police have banned dirty songs.

Blues' secretary John Goldsworthy admitted one concerned fan told him the crowd in the Bucks Free Press stand was inhibited because the police threatened to bar them if they swore.

Wycombe manager Martin O'Neill, who has criticised the subdued atmosphere, welcomes the chants, dirty or not.

"It's all part of football. We want the fans to make as much noise as they can,"

he said.

Mr Goldsworthy said: "We had a call from an anonymous fan. It's a shame he didn't give his name and address. We look into any complaints." Only the club could bar fans.

Inspector James Williamson, of High Wycombe police, said officers caution fans only if they use abusive and threatening behaviour which could affect other members of the public.

● Wanderers are home to West Bromwich Albion in the FA CUP second round on December 5

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