

PEEVED LODGER IN SCRAP WITH ANDY'S GIRL



Wanderers star Andy Kerr

TWO women fought outside soccer star Andy Kerr's bedroom after one discovered the other in bed with him, a court heard yesterday.

Corinne Barlow, who lodged with Mr Kerr, pulled a clump of hair from her life-long friend Joanna Ismail's head, after finding Mrs Ismail and the Wycombe Wanderers defender partially-clothed, Aylesbury Crown Court was told.

But Mr Kerr claimed Mrs Ismail was his girlfriend at the time.

A jury took an hour to clear Miss Barlow of assaulting Mrs Ismail.

The court heard that 23-year-old Mrs Ismail had later knocked on her friend's bedroom door and said: "If I had a knife, I'd kill you."

Miss Barlow, 24, now of Carterton, Oxfordshire, told the court the evening of February 9 had begun peacefully, before Mrs Ismail had arrived uninvited at the house in

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Coningsby Road, High Wycombe.

Miss Barlow said Mrs Ismail ignored three requests for her to leave.

She added she finally went to bed, believing Mr Kerr's assurance he would take his guest home later.

But she said she was woken at 3am by giggling coming from Mr Kerr's bedroom. She described herself as "upset and peeved".

Prosecutor Granville Stafford claimed the defendant then went to Mr Kerr's bedroom and took away some of Mrs Ismail's clothing, before pulling hair from Mrs Ismail's head, kneeling her and hitting her in the face.

Mrs Ismail, of Queen Alexandra Road, High Wycombe, denied threatening to kill Miss Barlow, even though Mr Kerr remembered this happening.

Miss Barlow told the court she too had lost some hair.

Mr Kerr said afterwards: "I was seeing Joanna at the time. I was entitled to be with her in my own house. It's no-one else's business."