
COMMENT

Shrug off the shy Blues

WYCOMBE Wanderers' manager Martin O'Neill is absolutely right to encourage his players to celebrate their achievements.

It is part of the British character to be reserved over success. We do not usually like to display the continental trait of going overboard.

You only have to hear the foreign football commentators to be bemused by their screaming and shouting and rapture when their team scores. And yet some of this attitude is beginning to filter through into the normally staid national game over here.

Some radio sports commentators are now becoming deliberately over-the-top in their coverage which creates entertainment in itself.

So Midweek is keen to get Martin and his lads to glory in their goals. In an increasingly drab world dominated by recession, unemployment, rising crime rates, rising divorce rates etc, it is better to make the most of your happiness while it lasts.

A hug and a pat on the back on the soccer field may be frowned on by some but we feel the vast majority of the supporters would want their soccer stars to be seen to be enjoying themselves.

Soccer clubs like Wycombe, Marlow and Chesham are a great outlet for people to shake off the weekday worries and be absorbed in something other than the traditional duties of career and family.

The club's progress becomes a beacon of hope to many living a dull existence.

Of course the only problem for Martin O'Neill's policy of public pleasure is his team's nickname – The Blues.
