

Fans score for charity



Pitching in: Lee Woodward, left, with Glyn Creaser, Keith Ryan and Mitch Woodward

WYCOMBE Wanderers' football fans had a treat on Saturday when the club skipper and one of the players helped to celebrate the Save the Children 75th anniversary.

Glyn Creaser and Keith Ryan visited the Save The Children shop, High Street, High Wycombe. Fans donated £1 to have their photograph taken with their idols.

Shop volunteer Betty Minett said: "It went well. It poured with rain and we thought nobody would turn up but we actually took 75 individual photographs which we charged the children £1 for and Supa-Snaps donated the films and the processing for us."

A signed football was also raffled which helped to raise a total amount of nearly £200.

Police greet ban on visiting soccer fans

POLICE welcomed magistrates' decision to ban four football hooligans from attending any international or national football match for the next 12 months.

They were arrested after a pitch invasion during the Wycombe Wanderers play-off match last Wednesday evening. The Blues won 2-1, securing the team a place in the Wembley final on Saturday.

Sergeant Phil Turner said: "It is a shame that some people come to football matches just with the intention of causing trouble.

"The four exclusion orders is definitely a step in the right direction for keeping that element away and spoiling the game."

The defendants were: Paul

Nicholson, 24, of St Aidans Road, Carlisle, who caused actual bodily harm to steward Trevor Morgan; Keith Stewart, 26, of Burn Riggs, Carlisle, and Paul Dodd, 23, of Denton Street, Carlisle who unlawfully entered the playing area and Darren Harris, 22, of Short Street, Carlisle, who pushed and struck a man over the head.

One defendant who escaped a ban was unemployed David Waddle, 32, of Hollywell Crescent, Cumbria, who was drunk and disorderly.

Wycombe Wanderers chairman, Ivor Beeks, said: "I certainly think the punishment fits the crime. At least other football grounds won't be troubled with their presence for the next 12 months."