

All change for the Blues



Wycombe manager Martin O'Neill returned from holiday to confirm that there could be a lot of changes before the Blues start life in Division Two.

Several squad players who struggled to break into the first team last season may be on their way out - and the boss intends to dip his hands in his pockets to bring fresh blood into the club.

However, no firm decisions are likely to be taken until players return from their breaks and resume training.

Martin said: "They will come back refreshed and then we'll see how it goes.

"A lot of players have done very well. A lot have surprised themselves with what they have achieved.

"But I will be hunting around for a couple of other players and maybe some current players might find themselves surplus to requirements."

He will be looking for players to prove themselves in training and the pre-season build-ups, adding: "Players like Lee Turnbull who was injured and then didn't force himself back into the team, and Steve Brown, who will want to make a bigger contribution."

One of the big pluses for the Blues will be the return of defender Terry Evans, club captain before his leg injury. Big Tel is expected to be back in the pre-season reckoning.

The new format of the Second Division will hardly help Wycombe's chances of success.

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Only the champions will be automatically promoted, while the next four teams take part in the play-offs. And the bottom five teams will all be relegated.

High price of success

WYCOMBE fans wanting to see their team in the Second Division will have to dig a little deeper into their pockets.

Prices at Adams Park are rising 50p to £6.50 to stand on the terraces, while to watch the game from the stand will cost £9, an extra £1.

Season tickets for the 23 Division Two games the Blues will play at Adams Park will cost adults on the terraces £130, juniors and pensioners £80, while seats in the stand will cost adults £180, juniors and pensioners £162.

If the season tickets are bought before July 8, however, the above prices will be £123.50, £76, £171 and £153. Juniors must be under 16 on June 1.

Bigger crowds expected

WYCOMBE Wanderers have no plans to extend Adams Park as the team prepares for the new season in the giddy heights of Division Two.

But the capacity could be as high as 9,500 when the Second Division campaign kicks off this August. The Blues hope to have installed enough crush barriers to allow more fans into the ground, particularly at the Davenport Vernon side of the stadium.

Wycombe expect their average crowd to increase. Secretary John Goldsworthy said: "It is a higher standard of football and more fans may want to see the new set of teams we will be facing.

"Visiting clubs may well bring more fans with them than last season, as well.

"Extending the ground might happen one day, but nothing will be happening this year."