

Win a pair of Wanderers season tickets



WYCOMBE Wanderers' season tickets are in demand, particularly since the arrival of new manager Alan Smith, but here is your chance to win a pair to watch Blues from the AXA Equity & Law Stand next season.

The Bucks Free Press and Wycombe Wanderers are offering a pair of tickets worth £280 as a prize. There is a feast of other prizes up for grabs.

The second prize is a complete replica kit of the winner's choice. There are three third prizes of a signed Wycombe Wanderers football and a dozen fourth prizes of a pair of AXA Equity & Law Stand tickets to see the Ipswich Town pre-season friendly on Tuesday, July 25.

All you have to do is to circle what you think is the correct answer to the following six questions.

Entries should be sent to Sports Desk, Bucks Free Press, Gomm Road, High Wycombe, Bucks, HP13 7DW. The closing date is Tuesday, July 18.

1) What was the first trophy Wycombe Wanderers won under the managership of Martin O'Neill?

a) the Bob Lord Trophy b) the Berks and Bucks Senior Cup c) the FA Trophy d) the Vauxhall Conference Shield.

2) How many trophies did Wycombe win under Martin O'Neill?

a) 5 b) 10 c) 15 d) 20

3) Which South London football club other than Crystal Palace and Wimbledon did Alan Smith manage?

a) Millwall b) Sutton United c) Charlton d) Dulwich Hamlet.

4) Which club did Martin O'Neill NOT turn down while at Adams Park?

a) Bristol Rovers b) Nottingham Forest c) Leicester City d) Norwich City

5) What was the name of Alan Smith's previous chairman?

a) Ron Noades b) Ivor Beeks c) Robert Chase d) David Kohler

6) How many times did the Blues reach the FA Cup third round under Martin O'Neill?

a) Never b) Once c) Twice d) Three times

Rules of the competition: Employees of the Bucks Free Press and Wycombe Wanderers Football Club and their families are not eligible to enter. No correspondence will be entered into. The Editor's decision is final.

True-blue dad is a Smith fan

WHILE on holiday in Dorset, my dad talked non-stop about Wycombe Wanderers and going around meeting more Wycombe fans.

But it was while he was waiting for the racing results that he heard about Martin O'Neill leaving.

Well, you would have thought he had won the lottery but lost his ticket, he just could not believe it. He had always said that the players are his 'boys' and Martin is his 'dad'.

When we got back from our holiday, every day my dad would check the news to see if anyone had been chosen to be the new manager of Wycombe.

When they announced it was going to be Alan Smith, that was it - every picture of him was waved around with my dad shouting: "There's only one Alan Smith, I love him, he's my new 'dad'," etc.

So thank you to Alan Smith for cheering up my dad because he has said "You're the right man for the job and will be a brilliant manager."

All the best for the future

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Thank goodness for Alan Smith

SO, the nail-biting is over and like many Wanderers supporters I had waited with some trepidation to see who would be taking up the managerial challenge following Martin O'Neill's departure.

Who would we get?, would it be some unknown Vulcan!

What a relief then, to learn that again Ivor had pulled off another coup in securing the services of a well respected manager, with a proven track record and all the right credentials needed to continue our progress up the league.

A warm welcome to Alan Smith, and every success in building on the strong foundations already in evidence at the club.

O'Neill was always a difficult act to follow after the successes enjoyed by the Wanderers in recent seasons, but in Alan Smith I believe we have hit the jackpot. I particularly like his focus on developing the youth team - it would be great to see more home-grown talent coming through in years to come.

I believe we can look forward to the new season with relish - the promise of a talented squad, a strong management team and the prospect of going after division one promotion.

One of O'Neill's strengths was his rapport with the fans (to say nothing of bad referees!) so my only advice to the new boss is - when we're all standing in freezing rain on a dark Saturday in November - 'Alan, Alan, give us a wave'.

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