

Smith builds up Blues' armoury

ALAN Smith underlined his intent to get Wycombe Wanderers' promotion show on the road with a new signing this week.

After his first win of the new season – Tuesday's 3-0 Coca-Cola Cup first round first leg victory over Leyton Orient – the Blues boss snapped up Peterborough midfielder Brian McGorry in a free transfer.

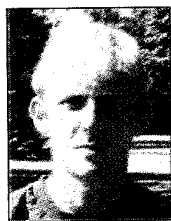
"I think he is a good addition to the squad. During the season I will need to strengthen the side by bringing in players better than the ones I've got and to complement the players we've got," said Smith.

He added: "I am still convinced that we can get a further 30 per cent out of the existing players."

Smith was impressed by McGorry, who is set to make his League debut in tomorrow's Division Two clash at Notts County, when he saw him in action last season.

The 25-year-old Liverpool-born midfielder, who played against Blues in both of last term's fixtures, has made more than 150 appearances in total for Peterborough and before that Bournemouth.

He made his Wycombe debut in Wednesday's 4-0 win over Wokingham in the Capital League, which also saw two goals from Anthony Clark and a return to action for Gary Patterson, after a back operation.



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McGorry could not wait to pack his bags and set off south, once he got the nod from Smith.

"I was looking to move south, because me and my girlfriend both prefer it. I talked to a few clubs, but I was looking for the right one to come in," he explained.

"When Alan phoned me I had no hesitation in coming down."

He is now determined to cement his Wycombe place and get on the scoresheet if he can.

"My first aim is to establish myself in the side and then take it from there.

"I am a midfielder who likes to get forward, and hopefully along the way I can get a couple of goals."

McGorry could do worse than watch and learn from the in-form Miquel Desouza, whose two goals set Blues on their way against Orient on Tuesday, after a disjointed opening performance against Crewe in Saturday's fortunate 1-1 draw.

Smith is encouraged that hard graft in training is transferring to the pitch and he was delighted that Desouza's goal-hungry instincts are a lethal weapon in Blues' armoury.

"It's very reassuring," he said.