

Youth team denied in Cup thriller

WANDERERS' youth team went down 2-1 in a tightly-contested Southern Junior Floodlit Cup first-round encounter at Portsmouth on Monday.

Lee Allen was on target for Blues but Portsmouth pounced on any chance that came their way.

Neil Smillie's youngsters put on a better performance than Saturday's league display at Southampton. They went down 4-0, but Smillie reiterated that such results are all part and parcel of the learning process.

Wycombe travel to Bournemouth for the South East Counties League Cup first round tomorrow.

City fans not turned on

MANCHESTER City fans are not getting unduly excited about their side's match against Wycombe in the Coca-Cola Cup second round first leg at Adams Park on Tuesday.

City, who are propping up the Premiership, have only sold 800 of their 2,000 ticket allocation. But they hope some sort of result this weekend against leaders Newcastle United, although it's wishful thinking, will boost sales.

Wycombe meanwhile are selling terrace tickets at £7, £4.50 concessions. They can



be bought during office hours before the game or on the night. Seat tickets go on sale on Tuesday.

■ Tickets for Blues' game against Burnley on October 7 should not be restricted despite the redevelopment of two sides of Turf Moor.