

WILLIAMS DROPPED

JOHN Williams' disappointing form resulted in the Wycombe Wanderers midfielder being dropped from the Blues squad which lost 4-2 at Carlisle on Sunday.

Wanderers boss Alan Smith said the club's record signing, who joined Blues in a £150,000 deal two months ago, did not travel up with the team to Brunton Park because his displays had not warranted a place in the side.

"I don't think he has done enough for the team," said Smith. He added: "The mere fact he happens to be the last player in here does not mean he is an automatic choice."

Smith left Williams out of the travelling party after the former Coventry winger's performance at Gillingham last week.

The Wycombe manager believes Williams' laid-back attitude has hindered the player's progress, but he remains confident the midfielder is capable of settling down on the strength of the player's record in the Premiership with Coventry.

However, if Williams or any other player is not prepared to knuckle down, Smith warned that they may become surplus to requirements. "If people don't match up to scratch, they should not be surprised if they are not in the side."

Blues, meanwhile, have two weeks to take

TOP OF DIVISION TWO

Team	HOME					AWAY					Pts
	P	W	D	L	F A	P	W	D	L	F A	
Swindon	18	5	3	1	15 6	6	2	1	18	8	38
Notts Co	18	6	1	2	18 9	4	43	1	12	7	35
Crewe	17	7	1	0	19 6	3	3	3	15	12	34
Chesterfd	18	7	1	1	19 6	2	2	5	8	13	30
Wycombe	18	3	5	1	11 9	4	3	2	16	11	29
Blackpool	18	5	2	2	13 8	3	3	3	12	11	29
Wrexham	18	5	3	1	21 11	2	4	3	9	11	28
Burnley	18	5	3	1	18 10	2	3	4	9	13	27

stock of their recent league and cup form.

Wycombe dropped a place to fifth in Division Two after Sunday's defeat.

Smith described the result as freakish after Blues went behind on three minutes to a goal scored by a Carlisle player who was offside, which television footage clearly showed.

He said: "It was so blatantly offside. From then on there was a kerfuffle on our part because the decision created uproar among our players. Then they got a second."

"You have got to be a hell of a side to come back from two goals down at Carlisle. We did a lot of things right in the second half and were by far the better team, but the game ultimately was a false one because of the early decision."

Wycombe's next Division Two match is at Wrexham on December 9.