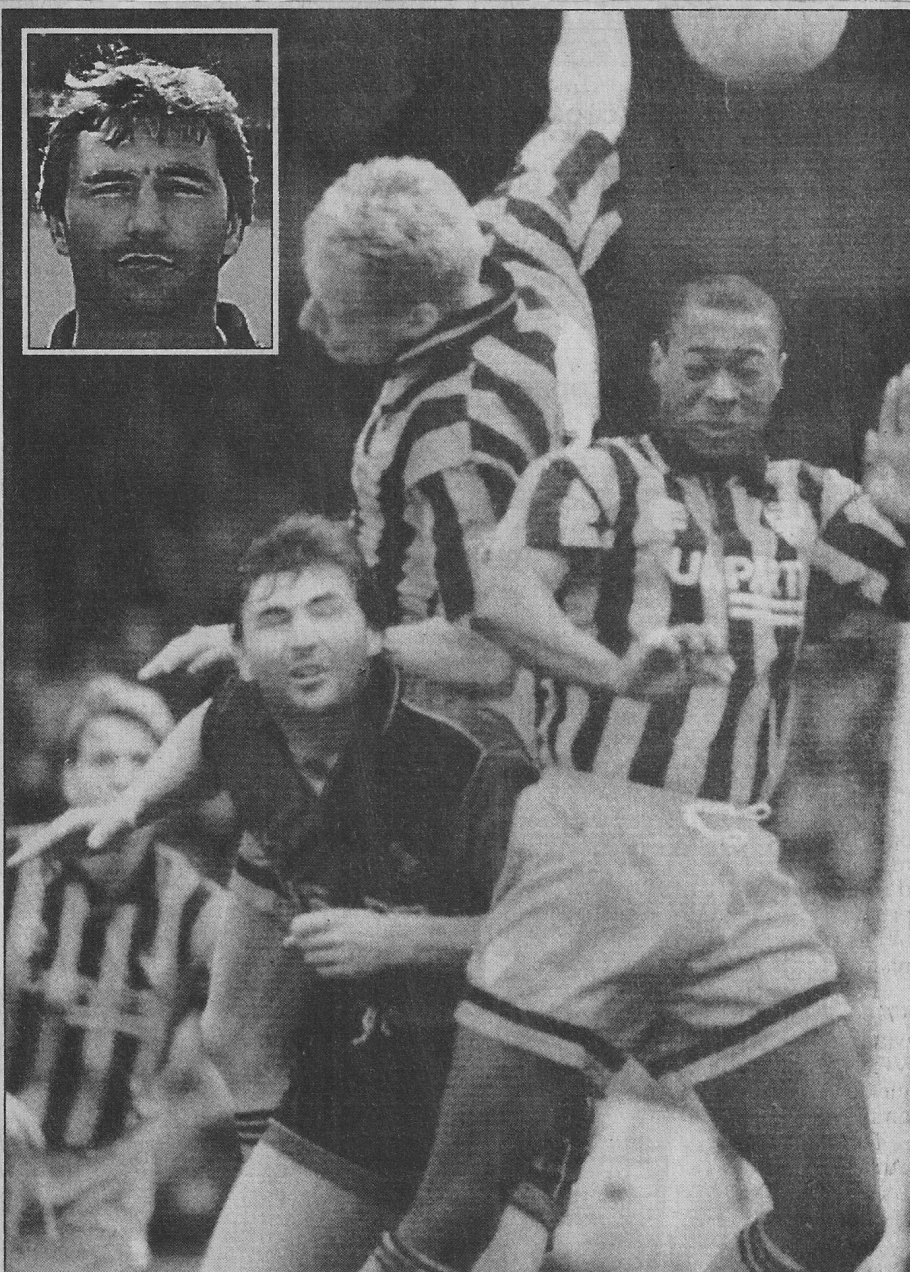




Key player: Terry Evans in action and (Inset) In a more quiet moment

Name: Terry Evans, captain of Wycombe Wanderers. Plays at centre half
Age: 30
Lives: West Drayton
Pay: Up to £40,000 a year, including appearance money for playing, a win or draw bonus, and position bonus in the league
Working Day: Six days a week – 9.30am to around 3pm on training days and from 1.30pm on match days. Has to stay overnight if away match is more than two hours' travel from Wycombe

TERRY arrives for work at 9.30am – an hour earlier than most of the team – for physio on what he describes as his “dodgy” knees.

Training starts at Bisham Abbey at 11am with a 20-minute warm-up followed by a discussion on tactics. Normal training lasts about an hour to one-and-a-half-hours – on the day before a match it is only an hour.

The players also go to the gym for weight-training before or after training.

“There is only so much you can do when you are running about,” says Terry.

Terry, who has been with the club for three years and is getting married in the

summer, admits there is a lot of pressure in the job.

“It is a hobby really, but there is a lot at stake, always looking over your shoulder, because there are younger players to take your place,” he says.

“We have quite a big squad here. You worry if you have a bad spell or injury you will be left out.”

But there are highs, as well as lows. “We have a good bunch of lads. We were partying Saturday night after we beat Stockport 4-1. It destroys your whole weekend when you lose.

“When I was Brentford captain. All the lows. Then winning the championship in 1991 made it all worth while.”