

Fans defend right to moan

AN INDEPENDENT VIEW

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WHEN the Independent Supporters Club was formed, the Bucks Free Press gave us the opportunity to inform its readers of the aims of our organisation and to express the views of the football fan.

Over the years I firmly believe that we have done that without being over critical of the football club. We have tried to be informative, positive and ok, maybe sometimes said things that the football club would rather we didn't.

However, director Alan Parry, through his programme notes, suggests that we delight in criticising the club at every opportunity. This is not true and has never been so.

I am proud to support Wycombe Wanderers, and I have done so even before we were in the Conference. He has even moaned that fans are given space by this very newspaper to express their views.

If fans have been seen as moaning and whingeing lately it is because they have had every reason to. Perhaps he would rather these people stayed away from the ground, and didn't bother to go at all, which would not be of any benefit to anyone.

Everyone has the right to express their views, and I take exception to his suggestion that I am not a true fan, because I have said things that he doesn't agree with. I would guess that some of the local Liverpool papers have had a few disgruntled fans writing in lately about some of their local teams recent performances!

Anyway on a more 'positive' note the return of Scottie and Cousins, and three points against Burnley made the day even sunnier. There are some difficult games on the horizon so let's hope that at last we have turned the corner. The consensus of opinion is that there is still a long way to go before we are guaranteed second division football next season.

Just one advert this week, don't forget the quiz night on March 11 at the Trades and Social Club. Any money raised from the evening will go to help former goalkeeper Paul Hyde's appeal for his autistic sons.

Paul, who was at Adams Park on crutches last Saturday, after breaking his leg playing for Orient in a collision with fellow ex-Wanderer John Williams, is trying to organise a couple of teams himself which will include some familiar faces. Please enter a team and support him.
