

IT'S MAN TUESDAY

City clash will be played midweek

FOOTBALL

THE much-awaited home clash between Wycombe Wanderers and relegated Manchester City has disappointingly been drawn as a midweek encounter.

The Division Two fixture list, released yesterday, confirmed Wanderers will play host to the Lancashire side on Tuesday, November 10.

But Blues' marketing manager Mark Austin refused to be downhearted by the draw and even predicted the clash is likely to break the club's record midweek attendance of just over 7,000.

Austin insisted that the draw was even an advantage for the club, which would not be increasing the capacity for away support of just under 2,000, even for Man City.

He said: "From that point of view, it's possibly a good thing. But I am confident it will break our record midweek attendance. I have already had inquiries about the game this morning."

Austin said he now has only three hospitality boxes left for the clash.

Elsewhere, the season's opener on Saturday, August 8, is sure to be a money-spinner with the Blues hosting Luton Town.

And with Reading, Manchester City and Stoke all visiting Adams Park within a month of each other, Austin believes the interest will remain high.

"I'm hoping for some big crowds," he added.

● Wanderers play three friendlies before the season starts: Crystal Palace on July 15 (ko 7.45pm), Aston Villa on July 28 (ko 7.45pm) and Charlton on August 1 (ko 3pm).