

New manager faces crisis with six banned for Chesterfield encounter



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WYCOMBE Wanderers hope to name their new manager within a week – and whoever it is will walk straight into a crisis with half the team suspended for his first game.

Chairman Ivor Beeks is after a manager with Football League experience as he sifts through more than 20 application letters which have landed on his desk following the sacking of manager Neil Smillie.

And he said after Saturday's disappointing 1-0 home defeat at the

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hands of Millwall: "We need someone with some experience in the Nationwide League."

Wanderers don't have a game this coming weekend and Beeks added: "It would be nice to get someone in at the end of the week to work with the players before we go to Chesterfield the following Saturday."

That match will be a baptism of fire for the new boss. He will be forced to begin without first team

favourites Keith Ryan, Paul McCarthy, Matt Lawrence, Michael Simpson, John Cornforth and captain Jason Cousins.

They are all banned for the game as Blues pay the price for having the worst disciplinary record in the division.

Beeks was not giving any clues about the identity of the new manager but his intention that it should be someone with Nationwide League experience keeps favourites Mickey Adams and John Ward in the frame.

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