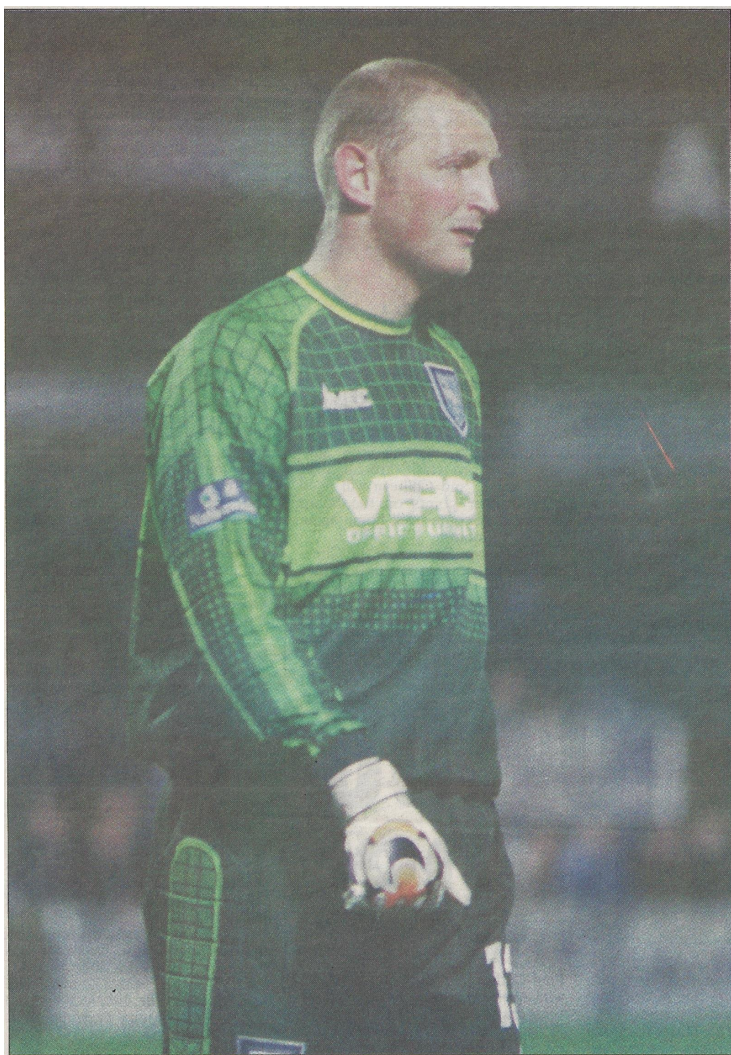




Mark Westhead: Will spend the summer looking for a new club

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Westhead can go for free if he finds himself another club

WANDERERS keeper Mark Westhead has been told he can leave Adams Park on a free transfer if he finds himself a new club this summer.

Westhead has become frustrated at his lack of first team opportunities behind Player of The Year Martin Taylor and he will spend the summer looking for a new club.

Manager Lawrie Sanchez rates Taylor as one the best stoppers in the division and with Mark Osborn also providing goalkeeping cover he is happy to let 24-year-old Westhead try his luck elsewhere.

Sanchez told Midweek:

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"At Mark's age he really needs to be playing first team football and I understand his frustration. We had a chat about it and he knows his chances would be limited here, so I've told him he can go on a free transfer if he finds another club this summer."

The former Bolton youngster has been hit by a catalogue of injuries since taking the number 13 shirt last summer. He has only started two first team games this summer and had to be replaced at half time in one of those by youth team graduate Mark Osborn

because he was injured.

If he does go Westhead will bring the number of players leaving Adams Park this summer to five with Lee Holsgrove, Richard Thompson, Nicky Leach and Eddie Gray already having been released.

If Westhead does not find a new club he will rejoin the Blues when they resume pre-season training on July 6 and try and win a starting berth in Sanchez's team for the first friendly of the season at Boreham Wood on Saturday July 22.

That match has been arranged as payment for left winger Matt Brady who joined Wanderers from The Woods last Christmas.