

Boss carving out his own place at the Park

LAWRIE Sanchez is certainly doing his best to lay the ghost of Martin O'Neill.

The exploits of our Irish hero have haunted all Wanderers managers until the Big Chief arrived on the scene.

To be sitting in third place in the table in early October was beyond most fans' wildest dreams at the start of the season.

Especially when our early fixtures included several of the bookies pre-season promotion favourites, like Stoke.

Our biggest problem now may be keeping the big clubs away, as they become aware of the brilliant job Lawrie and his management team are doing with a small squad and an even smaller budget.

During a radio phone-in the other evening, a caller was making a strong case for Ray Graydon to be considered as a possible England manager in the not-too-distant future.

If our Big Chief keeps on getting the results we may get the FA knocking on our gates at Adams Park. He has surely got to be a better bet than John Gregory who is being touted as a runner by the bookies.

There was plenty of action on and around the ground last Friday night.

Not only did we have the Weekend Watchdog television cameras, there was Lionel Richie singing his latest single and a fantastic fireworks display at half time.

All this plus three goals and

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three points for the Wanderers. Having watched the video of Watchdog when I got home, I can certainly confirm we performed far better than Anne Robinson and Lionel Ritchie.

If only every weekend could start on such a high. Pity England had to spoil everything the next day.

I thought Alan Parry made a fair point in his programme notes about Friday night football and how it might help improve attendances at Adams Park.

I would certainly be in favour of the experiment being tried a few more times.

Mind you I believe it would only work to our advantages in local derbies or against sides with poor away support, otherwise we would lose out on travelling fans.

So it's on to Reading on Saturday for a top (almost) of the table clash, doesn't that sound good.

It would be more than good if we could turn them over and maybe grab second spot.

By the way, what's happened to our drum beat tape when we get a corner?

Can we have it back please as our Indian braves are struggling to make enough noise to replace it.

● Read Wanderers' midfielder Steve Brown's fortnightly Park Life column in next week's Bucks Free Press.