

Full house for a real blockbuster

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VIEW FROM THE STAND

AT last the full house signs will be going up at Adams Park.

Suddenly everyone wants to see the Blues blockbuster Dancing with Wolves.

So we have beaten our previous highest attendance of just over nine thousand against West Ham six years ago.

Whatever the result at ten to five on Saturday, this cup run has definitely sparked some interest in and around the town.

It has also brought in some much needed revenue, some of which will hopefully find its way into the Lawrie Sanchez player fund.

The way we've been playing lately I don't think we have anything to fear, although the men from Molineux will also fancy their chances of making it into round five.

Mind you, if we are going to win we will have to come out of our blocks a lot faster than we did in the first half against Grimsby at home and Luton away.

On the other hand, if we play like we did in the second half in those two matches we should have plenty to celebrate on Saturday night.

We're on a bit of a roll at the moment with three wins and two draws in our last five matches, and we're unbeaten in 2001. Let's hope we still are at the final whistle - not that I'll be there to hear it.

For the first time in my life I've got to leave a match before the end. Due to some dodgy planning by me, we have to be at the theatre in North London by 7pm.

So, if you see a couple of sad prats creeping out ten minutes from the end please don't give us any stick.

As we were without a game last weekend, I went off to see how a young and promising ex-Wanderers striker was performing at his new club.

The old Blues favourite Mark West may be 34 now, but he has knocked in 22 goals for Thame this season. He certainly led the attack well in their top of the table clash with second placed Bedford. Unfortunately, he didn't get on the score sheet and the match ended goalless.

One Thame player who caught my eye was their young right wing back Chris Potter.

He was in the Oxford City squad when we played them in the cup last year but never got selected for either game. He looks similar to Paulo Wanchope when he runs with the ball - like a drunken giraffe on speed - but he rarely lost the ball and got some good crosses in.

It brought back memories of our non-league days when the Thame and Bedford supporters changed ends at half-time, causing major congestion at the halfway line.

The half-time walk is certainly something I sadly miss, as well as getting out of the ground and being home by five past five.

Let's hope West Ham don't knock Manchester United out on Sunday, we can then sort them out in the next round!

Rogers banned for LDV clash

CANADIAN international Mark Rogers is suspended for Tuesday's trip to Swindon in the area quarter-finals of the LDV Vans Trophy.

Rogers' booking for celebrating his goal at Grimsby was his fifth of the season and earned him a one game ban.

His place will go to new right back Gerard Lavin.

The 26-year-old former Scotland Under-21 cap has joined on a month's loan with a view to a permanent move.

Wanderers will field a strong side in Wiltshire for a competition that Wanderers are determined to win.

Manager Lawrie Sanchez said: "The FA Cup is nice but we are not going to win it. The LDV gives us a realistic chance of winning something."

Blues season ticket holders can buy half price tickets for the match at the County Ground on production of their season ticket booklets.

For everyone else it's £10 adults, £6 senior citizens and £4 for children.

The Official Supporters Club coach will leave at 5.15pm.

To make a booking ring Rena on (01296) 429307.

See Dave Peters' report on Wycombe v Wolves on our new website