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Blues' new boy curries fans favour

Darren looks impressive on his debut

NEW signing Darren Currie made a red-hot debut in Saturday's friendly against Spurs and then said that was just for starters.

The £200,000 summer signing from Barnet walked off with the man-of-the-match award as an injury-ravaged Wanderers ran a full-strength Spurs side close before going down 2-1.

Currie's performance against a Spurs side which included Footballer of the Year Teddy Sheringham, Gus Poyet, Darren Anderton and Les Ferdinand thrilled the capacity 8,018 crowd and had Blues boss Lawrie Sanchez drooling.

But Currie, a nephew of Leeds legend Tony Currie, says there is plenty more where that came from.

He said: "As time goes on hopefully the crowd will see more of that because getting the crowd excited is what my game is all about.

"I'm a ball player and I think I've got plenty more to show them.

"It was easy for me to slot into the side because they are a good team who want to play good football and I think as the games go on we are going to improve together.

"I've got to learn about the other lads and they've got to learn a bit about me and hopefully it should come along nicely."

But he wasn't getting carried away by his performance against the Premiership giants.

He said: "It was a bonus to get the man of the match but the fitness is the most important thing at this stage of the season and we've got to remember that the game was not played at the high tempo that they are used to or the tempo that we are going to have to get used to."

Spurs took a 55th minute

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lead with a hotly-disputed Sheringham goal and even he admitted afterwards that he used his hand to control Ferdinand's cross before steering the ball into the net.

But the lead lasted just six minutes before Spurs fan Danny Senda equalised against his heroes after Currie had been denied a debut goal his performance deserved.

Currie committed Spurs' Scotland keeper Neil Sullivan into going the wrong way but as he dived one way, a defender nipped in to steal the ball off Currie and into the path of Senda who gleefully drilled in the equaliser.

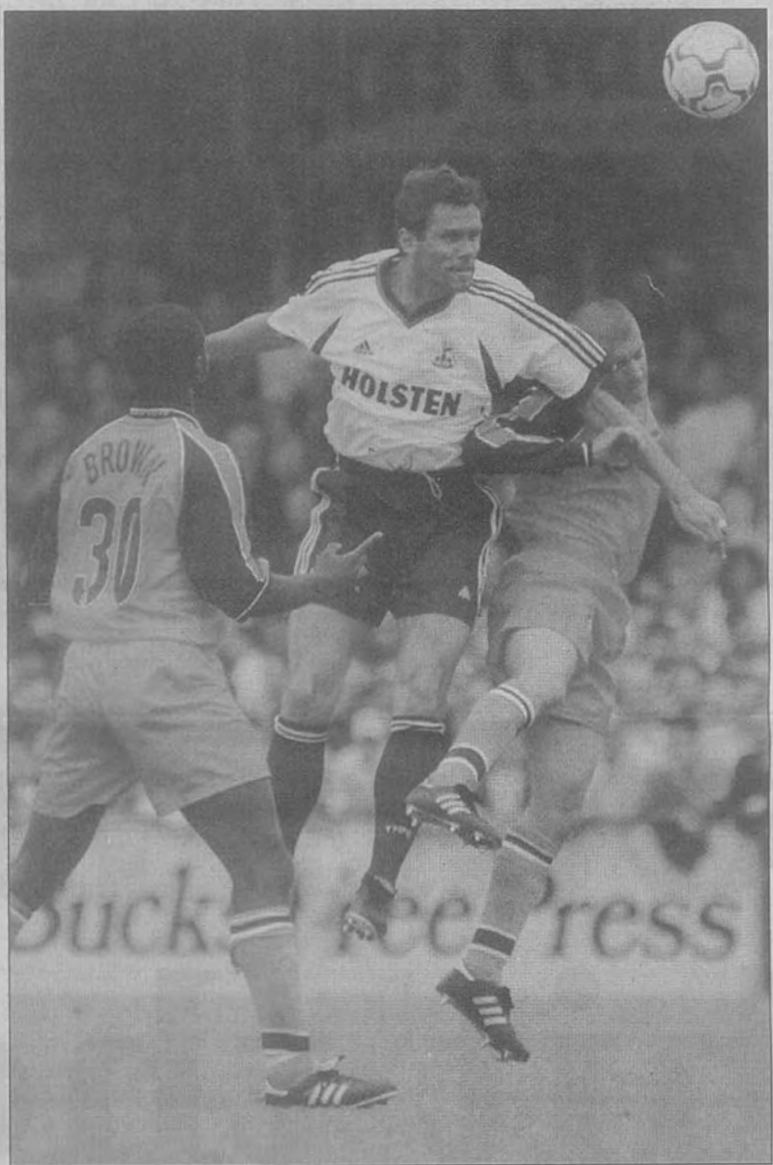
Spurs, who had won all three of their previous

friendlies, were stung and Stefan Iversen headed their winner in the 77th minute from Stephen Carr's cross.

Sanchez said: "I'm very pleased. It was a very good performance in front of a great crowd who got their money's worth and in Darren Currie we had one of the most entertaining players on the field.

"I was very pleased for our first game. Tottenham are two or three games and about £25 million ahead of us but I think we have showed that we are a decent side."

Wycombe: Osborn, Marsh, Vinnicombe, Cousins, McCarthy, Simpson, Brown (Lee 66), Bulman, Carroll (Emblen 59), Senda (Phelan 77), Currie. Subs not used: Johnson, Simpemba, Townsend, Rogers, Castledine.
Tottenham: Sullivan, Carr, Tarricco (Ziege 66), King, Bunjevovic, Perry, Anderton (Sherwood 74), Poyet, Ferdinand (Iversen 66), Sheringham (Rebrov 74), Clemence. Not used: Birch, Young, Davies.
Attendance: 8,018 (2,010 Spurs).



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