

Blues shoot for play-offs

WANDERERS entertain Swindon Town tomorrow with manager Lawrie Sanchez insisting his side have got the legs to maintain a sustained play-off bid this season.

The Blues are unbeaten in their last seven league matches and are protecting an unblemished home record against Roy Evans' Rockin Robins.

Wanderers torpedoed Bristol City's unbeaten home record last week and then pinched a point off home specialists Colchester on Tuesday to raise the expectation levels at Adams Park.

A bumper crowd of 8,000 is expected tomorrow and Sanchez

Sanchez says his team has the legs to go all the way

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reckons that, barring serious injuries, his side can keep them smiling all season.

He said: "We're a team that I think has got legs this year. We're nicely on schedule for what we are hoping to achieve. I think we can stay the distance."

Sanchez is keeping a war chest of around £100,000 back to pep up his side later in the season and with home crowds up by around 1,000 this term that could increase.

He said: "I've got a little bit of

money left if we need a little push at some time."

And with strikers Andy Baird and Sean Devine on target for a Christmas comeback, Wanderers are confident there will no repeat of last season when they hit the heights early on but fell away after injuries and the FA Cup run took their toll.

Sanchez strengthened his pack last week with the £100,000 capture of Welsh wonderkid Stuart Roberts and says his trimmed down squad is the best he's had since he's been at the Park.

He said: "I'm very happy with it. The squad is smaller than last

season but it's much better. The team doesn't pick itself anymore. When I look at the bench I'm looking at players who should be in the first team."

He added: "We're in good shape. There's not a team like Millwall in the division this year who you could hang your hat on and say they will get promoted."

"It's very open. If we maintain the form we've shown over the first 15 games for the next 15 we've got a great chance."

"But it's early days. We will have a rocky spell and the big teams are beginning to get their act together and so far we've

been lucky we haven't had too many injuries or suspensions to worry about."

Winger Darren Currie, who scored a wonder equaliser at Colchester on Tuesday, says it's right that people are now talking about Wycombe.

He said: "People should be taking us seriously. We're unbeaten at home and picking up points away."

"We're looking dangerous and we've got to be looked at as one of the contenders."

"We don't feel we can get beat at the minute and long may it continue."