

TALIA OFFERED EXTRA MONTH

WANDERERS keeper Frank Talia has been offered a one month extension to his three-month deal which expires on November 9.

Sanchez made the offer after seeing the in-form Aussie produce a string of stunning games in the last three matches to keep three-times Player of The Year Martin Taylor out of the side.

Melbourne-born Talia produced a dazzling injury time save at Barnsley on Saturday to earn the Blues a 1-1 draw and he is expected to retain his place between the sticks

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for tonight's visit of Chesterfield to Adams Park (ko 7.45pm).

Sanchez said: "You've got to be fair to players. Frank's done the business. Martin is disappointed but it just shows that no-one is guaranteed a place in the team any more.

"In my time here Martin hasn't had competition for his position but he's got that now."

Talia's man-of-the-match

performances in the last three games, during which the Blues have been unbeaten, forced Sanchez to offer him extended terms and the Wanderers boss wishes he could offer the glovesman more.

He said: "We've offered Frank another month's extension to his contract and I would like to keep him on an on-going basis, but there is no money.

"We're not bust but we've got no money to spend."

And Sanchez is considering dipping into the supporters Trust Fund, which was set up to buy

players, to keep Talia here longer-term.

He said: "The danger is that someone else will offer him longer terms than we do based on watching his performances for us.

"I would like him to stay and I will do as much as I can to make it possible, but if you've got no money you've got no money."

The supporters Trust Fund account currently has £15,000 in it, with another £11,000 promised in pledges.

Meanwhile, Talia can expect another busy 90 minutes tonight as

ninth-placed Chesterfield roll into Adams Park.

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