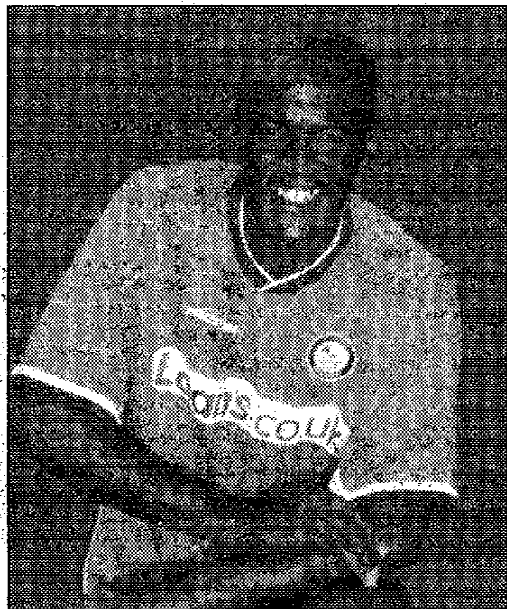


Youngsters are doing so well here



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IT'S great to see some of the youngsters at the club doing so well over the first few games. This time of the year is a great time to pitch them in. They can go out and play without too much pressure.

A lot of credit goes to Pete Cawley and Mick Forsyth who have made sure they are prepared physically and mentally. They spend a lot of hours working with the lads. A lot of people don't appreciate how much goes on behind the scenes to get these players ready.

Charlie Mapes has done particularly well. It's a major credit to him that he's made the transition and he's settled into the side well.

Steve Dell is a totally different character to Charlie, he's very quiet but they're both great lads.

But I think the fans need to be patient with the young lads. Simon Patterson has taken a lot of stick for whatever reason and it seems we have a very fickle crowd at Wycombe.

They were exactly the same with Richard Harris and when I first came to the club, I got a lot of stick.

Simon has not come here to waste people's time, he's come here to play and people don't realise that.

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It's important for the crowd to encourage the youngsters and it's not going to help if they get on their backs.

The more the fans encourage them, the more confident they'll feel. If not, they won't be relaxed and they'll be very tentative.

It's great to see Iffy Onoura arrive at the club. He's always been a thorn in our side when he's played against us. He's a big, strong player who has scored a lot of goals and he's also experienced and that will stand us in good stead.

He could be a very shrewd signing.

It was a shame for Richard Harris that he picked up the injury. He got himself right over pre-season and he was in a rich vein of form.

Every player runs the risk of being injured but it will make him stronger and he could still have a great season.

He'll want to get back as quickly as possible but our physio Dave Jones won't let him back until he knows in his own mind that Richard's right.

The mood in the camp is very positive at the moment despite the loss against Blackpool. That defeat was just down to a few errors but you're not going to win every game.

But we've got a big weekend coming up and it's important that we get something out of those two games.

If we can win against Chesterfield and Grimsby, it will totally eclipse the Blackpool result.