

Handy Andy eyes contract after Bell-ter of a first game

WANDERERS' new goal-hero Andy Bell has vowed to shut out the turmoil around the club and earn himself a professional contract.

The 19-year-old former England youth international scored twice on his league debut against Oldham on Saturday but was powerless to stop Wycombe crumbling to a 5-2 defeat.

He said: "Everyone in the dressing room looks down. There is no buzz about the place

but I've got to forget about all that.

"I've got a point to prove and I've got to do something. The state of the club doesn't matter - I've just got to do what I can do."

The former Blackburn Rovers trainee, who has got one week left of his month's trial with Blues, earned his place in the side after scoring five goals for Wanderers reserves in four matches and he has now got his

sights set on facing Aston Villa tonight in Wycombe's second round Carling Cup tie.

He said: "I hope this can be the start of something for me. I would love to play against Aston Villa and I would love to sign here."

Bell is just waiting for someone to take a chance on him.

He has scored goals while on trial for Wycombe, Bournemouth, Preston and Oldham.

He said: "I'm on the dole at the

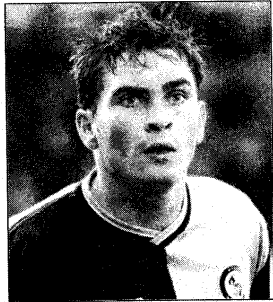
moment. All I want is a career in the game."

Bell was one of two debutants used by Wycombe, with on-loan Rotherham centre half Guy Branston the other.

Branston said: "I've got a lot of respect for the management here and I really wanted to come.

"It's a bad start to my career here but at least I know it can't get any worse.

"The only way is up."



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