

Bell earns himself a place at Wanderers

TRIALLIST striker Andy Bell has earned himself a contract at Wycombe Wanderers after scoring a brace on his league debut.

The 19-year-old former England youth international bagged both Blues consolation goals in Saturday's 5-2 reversal against Oldham and impressed again in the midweek defeat at the hands of Premiership Aston Villa in the Carling Cup.

Now Sanchez has offered the ex-Blackburn Rovers trainee a short-term contract and a ticket away from the dole queue.

Bell scored five goals for the

reserves and his first team double persuaded Sanchez to take a chance on him.

He said: "Andy has done very well for us and he has earned his chance. We are pleased with what we've seen. He got two goals on his debut and he did well against Villa the other night."

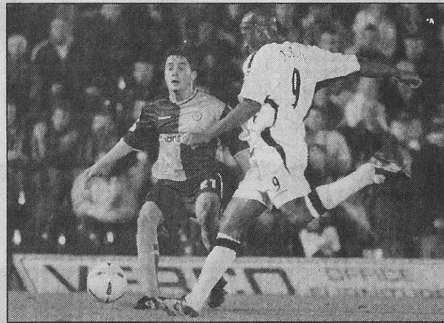
Sanchez took him off after 75 minutes on Tuesday to save him for tomorrow's trip to in-form Port Vale where he will again partner Gavin Holligan in attack – if Sanchez's bid to bring in a new loan striker fails.

And Sanchez is delighted to get

him on board.

Craig Faulconbridge, who hasn't kicked a ball all season, is still a month away from returning to the training ground and injury-prone Richard Harris suffered a fresh setback as he drew a blank for the reserves against his old club Crystal Palace on Wednesday.

Young striker Jonny Dixon has struggled to recapture the form he showed last season following exploratory surgery in the summer while Billy Harding is unavailable until Tuesday following a suspension picked up for the youth team.



Blues Bell: Andy Bell with Dion Dublin