

Holidays are put on hold

WYCOMBE Wanderers finish the season at Peterborough United tomorrow – but the players Tony Adams wants to keep at the club won't be signed off for their holidays until May 28.

The gaffer wants them to continue training at the club for another 20 days and won't let them shut down their bodies after tomorrow's game at London Road.

He said: "I'm taking certain members of the squad through to the 28th.

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"For physiological reasons it is not advisable to suddenly stop. We are going to try and stay as a professional football club. I have got to keep them professional.

"They will be doing different things based on physiology."

It is not yet known how many players will be staying behind through to the end of the month.

Adams has called a team-meeting for Monday but that now looks unlikely to be D-Day for his out-of-contract players.

Eleven of the players – Steve Brown, Scott Marshall, Michael Simpson, Chris Vinnicombe, Steve Williams, Andy Thomson, Dannie Bulman, Darren Currie, Lewis Cook, Charlie Mapes and Ian Simpemba – are all out of contract and sweating on their futures.

And it looks as though they will be kept on tenterhooks a little longer.

Adams said: "I will be speaking to them over the next two or three weeks. Some I will be offering contracts to and some I won't.

"May 10 is not a D-Day. I don't do things like that. It won't be a Glenn Hoddle situation. It will be done over a period."

Adams will start his cull next week and then call players in on an individual basis to tell them if they are staying or going.

And many of the players fear the chop.

Wanderers' wage bill has been cut by £300,000 as they face up to relegation to the third division and Adams has already gone on record saying he wants to sign seven or eight new players this summer.

But the boss will offer month-to-month lifelines to two of the players he plans to release.

He said: "If they can get clubs in between, fair enough but if not I'm willing to bring them back next year on a month-to-month basis."

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