

BOSS DEMANDS RIGHT REACTION

WANDERERS boss Tony Adams is calling for the right reaction when Wanderers entertain Rushden and Diamonds tonight (ko 7.45pm) looking to bounce straight back after two successive 2-0 defeats.

The Blues haven't won since going top of the table on September 11 and Saturday's defeat at Boston saw them drop down to 11th in the table.

But, despite harvesting just two points out of the last 15, Adams insists to press the panic button and insists Wanderers can get back in the promotion race.

He said: "We've been on a bad run and we've been making too many basic errors, but we're just as capable of going on a good run again.

"I would still put my first choice 11 up against anyone else in this division, but it is time for them to wear their shirts, mark them and be consistent.

"They've got to want it and say this is my place."

Adams kept his team locked in the dressing room for more than half an hour on Saturday and then ordered them in again on Sunday to watch a video nasty of Saturday's defeat

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where Wanderers crumbled after making a bright start.

He said: "I'm looking for us to bounce back with a performance. We've got to cut out the mistakes and if we can do that I still think we can do some damage in this league.

"In the last few games we've looked tired. We haven't had the fizz and sparkle that we had earlier in the season and we are making individual mistakes."

Adams will shuffle his pack again tonight for the visit of a Diamonds side who were relegated alongside Wycombe last year.

He will experiment with midfielder Clint Easton as a left back as he bids to get more attacking panache out of his full backs, while Gus Uhlenbeek will step down.

Gary Silk will switch to right back providing he can shake off a kick on the calf.

Wanderers will again be without the leadership qualities of Stuart Nethercott. He is serving the second match of his two-game ban following comments he made to the referee after the

previous week's 2-0 defeat at Scunthorpe United.

But Adam Birchall is added to the squad. The Welsh U21 international striker comes back into the frame after missing Saturday's reversal with a groin strain and Adams will leave it late before naming his strikers.

He said: "I've still got some thinking to do on that one."

Meanwhile Mike Williamson, Joe Burnell and Matt Bloomfield handed the boss a welcome boost.

All three returned to the side after long absences on Saturday and all of them came through without any problems.

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Heading for a new role: Former Norwich midfielder Clint Easton had 30 accomplished minutes as a full back in the 2-0 defeat at Boston on Saturday. He had another go there in training yesterday morning and now he is set to start in that role at home to Rushden and Diamonds tonight as the Blues hunt an upturn in form

