

# TYSON'S TREBLE SINKS THE IMPS

WANDERERS boss John Gorman lavished praise on top scorer Nathan Tyson after his hat-trick earned Wanderers a record ninth away win this season.

Tyson's treble KO'd play-off rivals Lincoln City and brought the Blues a stunning 3-2 win, which has re-ignited their play-off hopes.

His goal spree was a relief to boss John Gorman who feared the worst when the inform Steve Claridge was forced onto the substitutes' bench through injury before kick-off.

The former Premiership marksman, who had scored four goals in the previous four games, pulled out of training on Thursday with a chest injury and wasn't even fit enough to take part in Blues' warm up on the pitch at Lincoln.

But Gorman needn't have worried as Tyson stepped up to the mark with his first ever league hat-trick to earn Wanderers their ninth away win of the season.

He had three chances and took them all.

Gorman said: "It was a

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wonderful performance from Tyson. It was the perfect hat-trick. He produced a great finish for the first, then made a real nuisance of himself for the second before completing his hat-trick with a goal inside the six-yard box.

"He came into the dressing room afterwards with the matchball and I wrote on it 'Let's hope this is the first of many'.

"I couldn't believe it when he told me that was his first hat-trick.

"He's scored 16 this season and he is capable of scoring many more."

Tyson struck in the 12th, 30th and 40th minutes and, even though Lincoln narrowed the scores with two goals after the break, there was no denying Wanderers were worthy winners.

Gorman said: "I'm absolutely delighted. We scored at the right times but it wasn't just about us taking our chances. We fought and battled and did the horrible things well.

"We were clinical up front but the defence and midfield were magnificent as well."

And Tyson was delighted with his treble show.

He said: "I don't know why, I was really nervous before the game - but now I've gone home with the matchball and more importantly we've gone home with three points which have put us closer to the play-offs."

Tyson got his teammates and the officials to sign his matchball. But he stopped short of asking Lincoln's players to do the same.

He said: "I wanted their team to sign it but I thought I better not ask. I think they'd had enough of me."

● Wanderers could include a Yugoslav triallist when their reserves visit Rushden and Diamonds today. The Blues are also hoping to include Chesham United triallist Shaun Byrne in their ranks.

**Kneel in praise:**  
Wanderers players get down on their knees to pay homage to their hat-trick hero striker Nathan Tyson.

