

Transfer talk won't stop me

Tyson insists promotion is his aim

STRIKER Nathan Tyson insists he won't let transfer speculation distract him from his main aim of firing Wanderers into the play-offs.

Blues turned down a bid from Luton this week for their 18-goal master marksman and Tyson says that is the end of the matter.

He said yesterday: "It's flattering to be linked with other clubs but Wycombe have turned the bid down and that's it as far as I'm concerned.

"Every player wants to play at the highest level they can and I'm no different but I'm totally focussed on Wycombe, and trying to get into the play-offs.

Tyson already has one play-off final medal in his locker – now he is after another.

The Wanderers hot-shot was a non-playing substitute when Cheltenham won the Division Three Play-off Final three years ago, now he wants a medal he can call his own.

He said: "I was gutted when I didn't get on in the final. It broke my heart I didn't play. I didn't even get off the bench. It was great to get a medal and be part of the day but it would mean so much more to do it with Wycombe and to be a real part of it.

"This is my first full season of starting games week in week out and it would be great to finish it at Cardiff."

Tyson scored his 17th and 18th goals of the season last Saturday as Wanderers maintained their surge up the table with a 4-2 win over Ian Rush's Chester City side.

Rush, the former Liverpool, Juventus, Leeds and Wales goal ace had spent all week warning his defenders about Tyson but still the visitors could not stop him scoring his fifth goal in two matches.

And after seeing Tyson destroy his side, Rush hailed Tyson as the real deal.

He said: "We struggled to handle him. He is a good player.



Happy as Larry: Nathan Tyson celebrates his second goal in the 4-2 win over Chester last Saturday with Clint Easton

He's got speed and at this level that causes a lot of problems. He caused us a lot of problems and we weren't able to deal with him."

Tyson was bowled over by the praise from one of his heroes.

He said: "I was overwhelmed when Ian Rush said he was worried about me before the game. It was like when Tony Adams signed me for the club, I was overwhelmed that someone like that would want to sign me.

"Rush was a different grade and I'm delighted that he knows about me and was worried about me.

"He told his defence to mark me tight and they gave me a few kicks and marked me close. At times I thought it was WWF wrestling but I really enjoyed it out there."

Boss John Gorman also paid tribute to his in-form hitman.

He said: "Not many teams can stop him at the moment. He is flying."