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**Siesta timer:** Lawrence Dallaglio took time out from his training with Wasps to join landlords Wycombe Wanderers at their training camp in Spain



# Dally backs the Blues

RUGBY World Cup winner Lawrence Dallaglio jetted off to Spain this week to help Wanderers' promotion fight.

The Wasps skipper and former England ace answered a call from his personal friend and Blues director Steve Hayes to join the club on their three-day break to Marbella.

He joined them on Sunday and Monday before flying back to prepare for his own team's match away to Sale in the Zurich Premiership tonight.

Dally helped raise the spirits in the Blues camp after Wanderers' shock 2-1 defeat at bottom club

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Cambridge United last Saturday.

Hayes who paid for Wanderers and Dallaglio's trip, said the star's appearance was a real tonic for Blues' players.

He said: "He's a world beater. The lads were chuffed to bits to see him. He cannot win the game for us but having him there cannot have harmed our chances.

"He's absolutely inspirational. He spoke to the players and trained with them. It was just to give them some confidence."

Dallaglio passed on some of the

secrets from his time at double-winners Wasps and even took part in one of the training sessions.

And Hayes told the Wanderers official website, "It's good the two clubs can mix. Lawrence really cares about what happens to Wycombe Wanderers, he wants them to do well and thinks they are a great set of lads."

Hayes also praised the behaviour and the professionalism of the Blues squad when they were abroad as they mixed golf, socialising and football together.

Blues boss John Gorman also hailed the trip to Spain as a success but says it is now down to him and

the players to do the business.

Wanderers worked hard and played hard and Gorman says it was the perfect mix.

He said: "It was a great trip. It was a good bonding session and a good training exercise as well."

And, Gorman, the former England assistant manager, added: "I have never seen a squad that's in such good spirits."

He is now hoping the proof will be in the pudding as Wanderers bid to renew their play-off push at home to promotion rivals Northampton Town tonight and then away at Rochdale on Easter Monday.