

Manchester City come back for a closer look at Blues

Stuart Pearce checks out Wanderers' stars first-hand

MANCHESTER City this week stepped up their interest in Wycombe Wanderers, with Blues hotshot Nathan Tyson believed to be their target.

Sky Blues chief Stuart Pearce saw Wanderers' former England U20 international score his 19th goal of the season during Blues' 1-1 draw at Rochdale on Easter Monday.

And it was the second time in as many weeks that the Premiership club have run the rule over Tyson and his Wanderers teammates.

Their spies were also in the stand at Cambridge United a week earlier.

But this time it was Pearce himself, the former England, Newcastle and Nottingham Forest left back who is now caretaker boss at the City of Manchester Stadium, who checked out the Blues in person.

And he saw Tyson combine explosive pace with super cool finishing as he landed Blues 47th minute equaliser which cancelled out Gary Jones' controversial first half penalty opener for the hosts.

As a former full-back he would also have been mightily impressed by the form of Wanderers defender Danny Senda who continued his outstanding progress with an all-action display in defence and attack.

Pearce would not confirm who was the man attracting his interests, but reports which surfaced in the North West this week suggest that Tyson was the reason for his visit to Spotland.

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Blues fended off a reported £100,000 bid from Championship-bound Luton Town for Tyson just before the transfer deadline and Tyson says he is happy to concentrate on his job with Wanderers.

He said: "I've still got a contract here at Wycombe so at the moment I just want to concentrate on the play-offs."

Tyson distanced himself from the transfer talk but was pleased to be linked with a club set to play in the Championship next season.

He said: "I didn't know most of it but it's flattering."

"But that's all done and dusted. I have to put that behind me because we need to get in the play-offs and we need to start winning games."

"We've got to work hard. It's going to be a push."

Wanderers boss John Gorman says he is happy to see scouts at his side's matches.

He said: "If the Premier League clubs are coming to watch our players then we must be doing something right in the coaching."

"I don't want to lose anyone but if we do we will get the right price for them."

"I wouldn't want to stand in the way of someone playing in the Premier League and if they go we will go and get someone else in."



Who's watching who: Nathan Tyson was reported to be the reason for Stuart Pearce's visit to see Wanderers in action at Rochdale on the Easter Bank Holiday