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Blues rocked by Easter injury

Wanderers
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STAR STRIKER Jermaine Easter will be out for at least a month after tearing a thigh muscle during Wanderers' midweek draw with Swindon Town.

The division's leading scorer hobbled out of the action less than half an hour into Tuesday's 1-1 draw at Adams Park and knew immediately he was in trouble.

And a trip to a specialist yesterday revealed the news he was afraid of.

It is a repeat of the injury he suffered at Stockport County last year playing against Wycombe, and, that time it sidelined him for seven weeks.

Easter, who has blasted nine goals this season, said: "I'm gutted. It could not have come at a worse time for me. I am in a good run of goalscoring form and this is the last thing I wanted.

"I just hope that it isn't as bad as when it happened at Stockport. It doesn't feel quite as bad so I am praying it isn't.

"I've just got to get on with it. Injuries are part and parcel of the game."

The news is a setback to Wycombe's promotion drive and manager Paul Lambert has challenged the rest of his squad to get in on the scoring act while his chief goal-grabber is laid up on the treatment table.

Kevin Betsy is the only player apart from the strikers to score a league goal this season and Lambert is now calling for the defenders and the midfielders to start chipping in as well.

He said: "The other players have got to start taking the burden off the strikers by scoring a few goals for us."

He has not decided yet whether to go with Jonny Dixon in attack in tomorrow's League Two clash at Accrington Stanley or whether to push midfielder Kevin Betsy up alongside seven-goal skipper Tommy Mooney in the front line.



LEAGUE TWO

TEAM	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Ps
Walsall	11	5	0	0	12	0	2	3	1	8	7	24
Lincoln City	11	2	2	1	10	8	5	0	1	12	6	23
Wycombe	11	3	2	1	8	5	4	0	1	8	3	23
Swindon	11	4	0	1	7	3	3	2	1	8	5	23
MK Dons	11	4	1	1	11	7	3	0	2	8	7	22
Notts County	11	3	3	0	7	4	2	2	1	7	6	20
Torquay	11	2	2	1	5	4	2	3	1	9	8	17
Shrewsbury	10	1	3	1	10	6	3	1	1	9	3	16
Darlington	11	2	2	1	8	4	2	1	3	8	9	15
Hartlepool	11	2	1	2	5	6	2	2	2	10	9	15
Peterborough	11	2	1	3	12	12	2	2	1	2	5	15
Wrexham	10	3	2	1	8	4	1	1	2	5	12	15
Accrington	11	3	1	1	10	5	0	3	3	8	13	13
Mansfield	11	3	2	1	12	9	0	2	3	3	7	13
Hereford	11	3	0	2	8	5	1	1	4	5	11	13
Rochdale	11	1	1	3	2	5	2	2	2	6	4	12
Chester	11	1	1	3	3	6	2	2	2	8	8	12
Bristol Rovers	11	3	1	2	6	5	0	2	3	3	9	12
Barnet	11	1	2	2	9	8	1	3	2	9	10	11
Stockport	11	2	1	2	8	9	1	1	4	3	8	11
Grimsby	11	2	2	2	8	10	1	0	4	2	8	11
Boston Utd	11	3	0	3	7	7	0	1	4	7	15	10
Bury	11	1	2	3	9	10	1	0	4	2	7	8
Macclesfield	11	0	3	3	7	11	0	1	4	3	12	4

Grounded: Jermaine Easter will be out for a month after pulling a muscle in his left thigh

Mooney has scored in the last four matches and is hungry to keep that going tomorrow.

Injured trio Sergio Torres, Stefan Oakes and Sam Stockley are closing in on a return and

could travel if they come through a fitness test this morning.