

Boot on other foot for Rover

WANDERERS have scotched rumours linking them with a move for full-back Chris Carruthers.

The Bristol Rovers defender has rejected a new contract with Rovers and has been strongly linked with a move to Adams Park.

Blues have been looking at the player, but manager Paul Lambert is understood to have gone cold on the former England youth international after signing the other left back in the city, Bristol City's Craig Woodman.

It is the second time Carruthers might have joined Wanderers.

The 23-year-old signed terms with the club in 2005 and was all set to join from Northampton, but he left Blues hanging when he did a late u-turn in favour of a move to Rovers.

However, the deal may not be dead in the water just yet – Lambert is currently chasing a left-sided midfielder but if that falls through he could renew his interest in Carruthers.



In the air: Blues are not likely to move for Bristol Rovers' defender Chris Carruthers

Friendly update

QUEENS Park Rangers' visit to Adams Park remains the only home friendly Blues have scheduled for pre-season.

Bristol City will visit the club on Monday, August 6, but contrary to reports the game is not a first team match.

It will be played behind closed doors, at Wanderers' training ground, and will comprise a mix of youth and reserve team players.