

Anger management



GARY Waddock ordered his players to stay out on the pitch after last Saturday's 4-1 drubbing at the hands of Yeovil – because he needed time to calm down.

The furious boss instructed his team to remain there in front of the fans while he and his assistant Martin Kuhl tried to compose themselves in the wake of one of the club's worst performances of the season.

Waddock said: "We told them to stay out there. We needed time to think over our thoughts."

"I felt I had been hit by a bus and I didn't want to say things off the top of my head and end up regretting it."

"I wanted them to have a chat among themselves first and to have their warm down before I spoke to them."

But he said that when they did come in he made it clear he wasn't happy.

He said: "I can't accept that type of performance. They let themselves down. After some

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good performances I think everybody had added on the three points before we started and I had warned them on Friday they couldn't do that."

The players looked shellshocked as they emerged from the changing room afterwards.

Then they were put through it again on Monday as Waddock called them in to go through it again before drawing a line under it.

Waddock said: "It wasn't a crisis meeting but it was a meeting that I wanted."

"I said what I wanted to say on Saturday and so did Martin but I wanted to have a clearer, calmer meeting on the Monday."

But while Waddock won't refer to it again on the training field he admits it is still eating him.

He says the display was so

bad that he didn't even want to put his players through a video nasty of it.

He said: "I always try and look for a positive but when I viewed the game again on the Sunday I didn't really see many positives so I couldn't see the point in watching it again with them."

And he didn't want to watch it again either.

He said: "I still haven't got last Saturday out of my system. It still hurts me but I am positive again."

"After Bristol Rovers and Southend everybody saw a bit of light and thought we can get out of this and then with one performance that big black cloud came back."

"We will see some light again in games and then the cloud will return again."

"There are going to be good periods and there will be dark periods we have to remain focused and make sure there are more light periods."

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TIME OUT: Gary Waddock and, main picture, his players after the game

We will stay up, I'm 100 per cent sure

KEVIN Betsy says he is 100 per cent convinced Wanderers will beat the drop an stove off an instant return to League Two.

The former Premiership wideman says Saturday's drubbing at the hands of Yeovil was just a blip in a sequence of otherwise impressive performances and improved results.

And he has called on everyone to keep the result in perspective.

He said: "We let the supporters, the manager and ourselves down on Saturday. We had been playing so well before that game so to perform how we did was a real kick in the teeth."

"The manager showed his anger afterwards and rightly so. He had warned us beforehand not to be complacent but we didn't take heed of what he was saying."

"The manager had sent us out there for the last four or five games and we had delivered to the letter but on Saturday we didn't play the way he wanted us to and it was six steps back."

But he insists the damage isn't fatal.

He said: "We can repair the damage. There are 16 games to go and there's so many in there that we can win."

"We are only six points off the safety line and that's not much. There are teams above who are looking nervous."

"I am 100 per cent certain that we can get out of this."

Behind closed doors

WANDERERS drew 3-3 in a behind-closed-doors friendly with Oxford United on Wednesday.

LEAGUE ONE

TEAM	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Ps
Norwich City	29	12	2	1	37	15	7	4	3	27	15	63
Leeds United	27	10	4	0	28	8	8	2	3	20	11	60
Charlton Ath	29	9	5	1	31	17	6	6	2	21	15	56
Colchester U	28	11	1	2	24	14	4	6	4	19	15	52
Swindon T	26	8	4	1	22	12	5	5	3	18	20	48
Millwall	28	9	4	1	25	10	3	6	5	15	19	46
Huddersfield	26	10	4	0	36	9	3	2	7	13	20	45
Milton Keynes	28	7	3	4	22	16	6	1	7	18	20	43
Bristol Rovers	27	8	1	4	20	15	4	1	9	16	29	38
Brentford	27	5	7	2	19	15	3	3	7	14	34	34
Leyton Orient	28	6	3	5	24	17	3	4	7	14	26	34
Southampton	27	7	4	2	25	13	4	6	4	21	18	33
Walsall	26	4	6	4	22	18	4	3	5	13	16	33
Carlisle U	27	5	3	5	16	15	3	6	5	19	24	33
Yeovil Town	28	6	5	3	26	18	1	5	8	10	23	31
Southend U	28	5	4	5	18	18	3	2	9	14	21	31
Hartlepool U	29	5	4	5	15	18	3	3	9	20	27	31
Exeter City	29	5	6	3	20	14	2	3	10	13	30	30
Gillingham	28	7	5	2	20	7	0	3	11	11	31	29
Brighton	27	2	2	9	11	22	5	5	4	22	24	28
Oldham Ath	25	3	5	5	11	15	3	3	6	9	15	26
Tranmere Rov	27	6	2	5	17	18	1	3	10	7	28	26
Wycombe W	29	3	3	8	14	21	2	5	8	16	31	23
Stockport Co	27	1	3	9	12	28	2	4	8	10	23	16

We deserved nothing but we're not finished



MIDFIELDER Dean Keates admitted Blues deserved nothing as they crashed 4-1 at home to Yeovil last Saturday – but has warned the rest of League One's relegation scrappers that Wycombe haven't given up yet.

Saturday's ninth home defeat of the season cast Blues six points adrift of the safety line having played more games than most of their drop zone rivals.

Keates, left, said: "After two decent away performances everyone had high hopes but we deserved nothing from the game."

"But we know we are much

better than that and we have got to look to repeat the performances we were showing before Saturday."

"We've got to put the Yeovil game behind us and put the wrongs right at Brentford next week."

Keeper Scott Shearer also come out fighting.

He said: "We've got to put it right at Brentford and we will be working our backsides off to make sure we do."

"Every one of us needs to look at ourselves. We didn't compete and we didn't perform."

"We were so positive before the game. We thought we were going to close the gap on the teams around us."

"We thought there was a little bit of light at the end of the tunnel after last week's win but we have shot ourselves in the foot again."

"We put in a performance that just wasn't us. It was one of our worst performances of the season and it wasn't good enough."

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