

Skipper to return in pre-season

MANAGER Gary Waddock says he expects skipper Adam Hinshelwood to remain at Adams Park next season even though the centre half has yet to sign the one-year deal Blues offered him.

The former England U21 international has yet to put pen to paper on the contract but Waddock insists he is not worried.

He said: "He will be coming back to us in pre-season and I'm sure we will get it done then."

"It's not an issue, he will be back with us."

Waddock is currently away on holiday, while Hinshelwood has already been away.

But the future of midfielder John Mousinho is much less clear.

He has so far stalled on signing the one-year extension he has been offered and Waddock admits that he doesn't know if he will.

The midfielder, who hails from Amersham, has been strongly linked with League One newboys Stevenage, who have reportedly offered him a deal.

Mousinho is refusing to talk to the press until he decides where

his future lies.

Waddock said: "It's his decision what he wants to do. We've spoken on a few occasions and it is down to him. It's his career and we will have to wait and see."

Donnelly waits

MIDFIELDER Scott Donnelly's assertion that he could be a Wycombe player by the end of the week is premature according to Blues boss Gary Waddock.

The goalscoring Aldershot midfielder is out of contract at the Recreation Ground and told Tuesday's *Bucks Free Press Midweek* that he is poised to sign for his ex-boss Waddock at Wycombe.

Waddock has spent six months chasing the 22-year-old, who scored 14 times last season, but he isn't counting his chickens yet.

He had a cash bid turned down last season and even though Donnelly is now out of contract the two clubs would have to agree a compensation package as he is under 24.

Waddock said: "It's the worst kept secret that I like him and would like to get him to this football club and hopefully there will be a positive outcome, but we've got to agree compensation and personal terms."



HE WILL BE BACK: Adam Hinshelwood is expected to sign again

Yanks but no thanks says Blues' Betsy



STAYING PUT: Kevin Betsy

WANDERERS ace Kevin Betsy turned down the chance to join David Beckham in America in favour of signing a two-year contract to stay with the Blues at Adams Park.

The 32-year-old former Premiership winger was offered the chance to see out his career with a Major League Soccer club on the other side of the pond.

He said: "It was an exciting offer and it was very tempting. It was a big decision but I am sure I have made the right one."

Betsy also turned down offers from League One clubs and another team in League Two.

He said: "I'm settled here and, as I have said before, I really feel this is my club."

"The way we played at the end of last season was very encouraging and I want to be part of the team that gets this club back into League One."

"The first goal is to get promotion, as simple as that, because as a squad we let ourselves down last season."

Doc joins Bradford

FORMER Blues favourite Tommy Doherty has joined ex-Blues boss and former Adams Park team-mate Luke Oliver at Bradford City, following a brief spell in Hungary with Ferencvaros.

The Doc asked to be released from his Blues contract after saying he couldn't get over a disagreement he had with Wanderers boss Gary Waddock when they were both at QPR.

Blues keeper Jamie Young has signed a new one-year deal with Wanderers League One rivals Aldershot.

Phillips: I have been living out my dream

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BLUES starlet Matt Phillips says he is still buzzing after shining for England U19s last week.

The Aylesbury-born ace helped the Three Lions secure their place in this summer's European Championships in France after starring in the Elite qualifying tournament in Ukraine.

He made his debut in the 1-0 win over the Republic of Ireland before scoring and playing for the full 90 minutes in the 4-0 win over Bosnia-Herzegovina to win praise from national boss Noel Blake.

Blake said: "Matty Phillips has come in for his first start for the U19s and done really well."

Phillips didn't play in the final game of the group against the Ukraine but is hoping he has done enough to book his place at the European Championships in July.

He said: "Now I have had a taste of it I want more."

"I loved every minute of it and I really want to be involved again."

"I have got two caps and a goal,

I am just buzzing at the moment and keep playing it all over again in my head.

"I've been living the dream. It's something I have always dreamed about but probably never thought I would actually do."

"I've been lucky in my career so far, I'm still only young and I've achieved quite a lot already, but this tops the lot."

"I felt so proud standing there singing the National Anthem and it was a brilliant moment which I will never forget."

He said: "Getting my first start was the highlight. I have seen other players singing the National Anthem on the television and didn't think it could be me. I always hoped it might be but you never really think it will."

"It is a massive honour. There are a lot of players that never get the chance to represent their

country and I have done it."

Initially, Phillips was only selected on standby for the squad and he was just hours from boarding a plane for an end of season holiday in Magaluf with Blues team-mate Lewis Montrose when he was

promoted to the full U19 squad.

He said: "It's all happened so fast. When I was put on standby I didn't really expect to be called up."

"It has all gone so well and going to the Ukraine beats a holiday in Magaluf



It'll take a lot of money to make us sell Phillips

WANDERERS boss Gary Waddock has warned the vultures hovering over Matty Phillips that they will have to cough up big money to prise the England U19 international away from Adams Park.

Preston were reportedly lining up a £450,000 bid before Phillips was called into the England U19 squad and Phillips' valuation has risen since then.

Waddock said: "If we get interest in him it just shows what a good player he is. He is under contract to us. We haven't had any offers yet and it would have to be a lot of money to make us consider it."

"He's a talented footballer with huge potential. He's had a fairytale end to the season and I am delighted for him."

"It's the stuff of dreams and I'm sure he will come back to us an even better player."

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