

WorldWide Wanderers: Godwill's story

Zimbabwean supporter thrilled to see Admiral Muskwe sign for the Chairboys.



The signing of Zimbabwean striker Admiral Muskwe from Leicester City attracted the attention of many Wanderers fans... but none more so than Godwill Mamhiyo, who explains why.

And there I was in for what is supposed to be summer in the UK in 2013. My first time in the UK and boy was it cold! I was lucky enough to live with the Davis family. I liked it so much that I spent another summer with them in 2015. To this day we are still in touch, I love them to bits and we are family. That's where the Wycombe love affair started!

Walking into the house, I immediately knew they were crazy about the Chairboys - Tina and Charlotte especially! Having come from Zimbabwe and supported Liverpool FC all my life due to the Bruce Grobelaar connection, I'd never have known about Wycombe Wanderers FC. I would also never have fully understood why locals cry when the team loses (when Liverpool won and others lost I'd get the bragging rights!). To this day I still follow Liverpool (won the league finally), however, my connection with Wycombe is just on another level, it's my home team!

Tina has been following the Chairboys for over 20 years! She will follow them all around the country, home and away, in sunshine or in the rain. She has also sponsored several players for about 15 years, including Adebayo Akinfenwa since his arrival! Her daughter Charlotte also does not miss a beat. The fixture card determines how the holidays and other plans are made - now that's commitment!

I even got lessons on the history of the club, like the jersey of the semi-final tie vs Chelsea in the Carling Cup which hangs in the living room amidst a lot of other memorabilia and photos. You have probably worked it out, that's how the bug bit me.

Ever since, I found myself checking to see the results each week, celebrating the wins and consoling Tina when I called her and got a rant about how the ref did this and that and everything in-between!

To see the boys now in the Championship is an absolute fairytale. To top it all off, the signing of Admiral Muskwe - my fellow Zimbabwean - gave me goosebumps. What I can assure you is that many Zimbabweans at home now know about Wycombe! We are all behind Admiral and the rest of the team.

You have won our hearts and we can't wait to see the club soar to greater heights. What will remain a regret is never buying my own Wycombe shirt! From Zimbabwe to you, we say handei Wycombe handei (Shona for 'let's go Wycombe, let's go').

Phezulu bafana besihlalo (Ndebele for 'up the Chairboys').

