



We take a look at five stand-out items from Saturday's stalemate with the Stags.

Morley watch

Michael Duff hailed the performance of midfield duo Aaron Morley and Caolan Boyd-Munce as “excellent” and he was right to do so. The pair had the highest pass completion percentages of any starting outfield players (83% and 84% respectively), while Boyd-Munce topped the charts for chances created (3) and expected assists (0.92) as well as making nine defensive contributions – the fourth highest number on the pitch – and more tackles than any other player,

Morley created two chances and came close to scoring with a low drive which fizzed just past the post, and one cross into the corridor of uncertainty was begging to be converted.

Lowe looking on

Nathan Lowe sealed his loan move from Stoke City to Wycombe on Friday night and drove down from his Manchester home to meet the coaching staff and watch the game from the directors’ box alongside Dan Rice and Tom Stockwell, as well as meeting fans in the away end ahead of kick-off.

Wycombe had 18 shots and missed two big chances, the kind that will be having a new striker licking his lips in anticipation of the quality service that awaits him following his return from injury.

Keeping it tight

Since conceding four goals to Luton Town on Boxing Day, Michael Duff’s men have now conceded only five goals in seven matches, keeping three clean sheets in the last five. Only Mansfield have a tighter defence in that time, shipping only two goals in six games.

Wycombe’s three 0-0 draws have all come in a neat triangle between Stoke-on-Trent, Burton and Mansfield.

Cloud number nine

Wycombe are now unbeaten on nine visits to Mansfield, stretching all the way back to February 2007. In that time there’ve now been three 0-0 draws between the sides at the One Call Stadium, and none of the last 13 encounters at either ground have yielded more than three goals.

Within four days, both Wigan and Mansfield became the first and second sides not to score against the Blues in both league meetings this season.

Time to kick on

A busy January saw the Blues record just under two points-per-game in their six outings, collecting three wins – including a notable first away win in three months – and deserved triumphs at home to Wimbledon and Wigan, as well as creditable draws against Cardiff and Mansfield.

Blues had the seventh best record in the division throughout the month and it leaves them eight points off the play-offs with 17 games to play, starting with the visit of 22nd-placed Doncaster Rovers on Saturday.