

Northampton Town Website Match Report

After naming the same starting XI for three games in a row, Kevin Nolan was forced into making a change for the trip to Wycombe Wanderers with Jordan Thorniley replacing Nesta Guinness-Walker who was unavailable for selection. New signing striker Jack Vale was amongst the substitutes alongside Michael Jacobs who was in the matchday 18 for the first time this season having missed the start of the campaign through injury following his return to Sixfields in the summer.

Ewan Henderson spurned an early chance for Wycombe who went into the game hot on the heels of a managerial change with Michael Duff taking charge of the Chairboys for the first time following Mike Dodds' departure 48 hours previous. In a bright start from the home side Henderson then drew a smart save from Lee Burge before Fred Onyedinma headed wide from the subsequent corner kick.

The game had just started to settle down after a frantic opening fifteen minutes when Wycombe took the lead, Luke Leahy setting up the chance for Daniel Harvie who kept his cool to finish well at the back post despite appeals for offside.

The Cobblers grew into the game as the first half continued but trailed 1-0 at the break.

Ethan Wheatley fired just wide from 18-yards as the rain started to fall at a windy Adams Park. Mikki van Sas then saved from Dean Campbell and Max Dyche headed just wide from a Jordan Thorniley cross as the Cobblers continued to up the tempo in the second half.

Elliott List and Jack Burroughs came on in a double change with just over twenty minutes to play but it was Wycombe substitute George Abbott who doubled the home side's lead soon after, beating Burge with a good finish. Nolan responded by bringing on Michael Forbes, Kamarai Swyer and Jack Vale.

A terrific block from Sam Hoskins prevented another Wycombe substitute, Caolan Boyd-Munce, making it 3-0 and the home side also rattled the cross bar as they looked to put the game to bed. Hoskins deflected volley was the closest the Cobblers came to pulling a goal back and it was Wycombe who claimed the points.