



Wycombe Wanderers Website

Match Report

Wanderers cruised into the fourth round of the Carabao Cup for just the second time in their history thanks to a dominant and deserved 2-0 victory at Wigan Athletic on Tuesday night.

Caolan Boyd-Munce curled home a beautiful opener in the first half and Donnell McNeilly headed home from an excellent team move in the second period to secure their safe passage into the next stage.

Wycombe made the full 11 changes from the side that started in the 2-0 win over Northampton in the league on Saturday, handing first starts to Bradley Fink and Donnell McNeilly in attack.

A slow start to the game wasn't helped by a lengthy delay caused by an injury to one of the assistant referees, before Dara Costelloe drilled wide from 20 yards with the Latics' first opening.

George Abbott had a sight of goal at the back post but couldn't find a team-mate with his cutback from a tight angle, however the Chairboys didn't have to wait long for the opener, and it arrived in stunning fashion.

From a Wigan throw, Wycombe broke quickly thanks to McNeilly picking out Niall Huggins down the right, and he picked out a pass for Caolan Boyd-Munce, who marched to the edge of the box and curled home a sumptuous effort into the top corner.

The Latics nearly levelled on 42 minutes but – after a cross from the right was flicked towards the back post – Will Aimson could only fire wide at full stretch.

And then Boyd-Munce was inches away from doubling the lead with an even more incredible strike, but this time Sam Tickle flew to his right to superbly tip the long-ranger past the post.

Alex Lowry replaced Magnus Westergaard at the break, and Declan Skura followed 10 minutes into the second period with James Tilley collecting a knock.

Wanderers rode an early wave of pressure and then kicked on at the other end, and a sparkling move almost freed Fin Back in the Wigan area, but a defender recovered just in time as the wing-back charged into the box to meet McNeilly's exquisite cross.

And soon after, McNeilly had the goal his performance deserved. A short corner was expertly worked between Lowry and Abbott, and the latter dinked in an inviting cross for the Nottingham Forest loanee to nod home from close range, making it 15 goals scored this season from 14 different scorers.

Jaiden Bartolo made his first appearance of the season while Luke Leahy also arrived onto the pitch in place of Fink and McNeilly.

From there on in, it was comfortable, with Wigan running out of ideas, and Jensen Weir's header wide under pressure was the best of their efforts in quite some time.

Arthur Gregory came on for Niall Huggins – the 26th different player used by Michael Duff in just two games – on 86 minutes, and Alex Lowry came close to a third with a superb clipped shot from 20 yards which was tipped over, and that was that.