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Match Report



Michael Duff's first game in charge of Wycombe Wanderers ended in victory as they defeated Northampton Town 2-0 at Adams Park.

Taking the reins following Mike Dodds' sacking 48 hours earlier, the Chairboys looked more energetic, bright, full of life and lively as they registered six shots in the opening five minutes.

Ewan Henderson's bending effort was brilliantly saved by Lee Burge, whilst attempts by Jamie Mullins and Fred Onyedinma went just wide of the mark.

Northampton looked settled, but Wycombe were bossing the ball and winning the 50/50s, and a brilliant cross by Luke Leahy gave Wanderers the lead on 16 minutes.

His delivery found an unmarked Dan Harvie, who placed it on the volley beyond Burge at the near post to give the Chairboys the lead.

It was his first at Adams Park since joining from Milton Keynes last season, and his first in any capacity in 12 months.

The game was then sealed with 18 minutes remaining when George Abbott scored a stunning solo attempt, where he beat three players in the Northampton box before slotting it home.

Wycombe dominated the contest as it could have been more.

Jack Grimmer's close-range header was pushed away by Burge, whilst substitutes in Caolan Boyd-Munce fired wide on two occasions, and Bradley Fink hit the bar with a bullet header.

Donnell McNeilly came on for his debut and played a huge role in Harvie nearly getting his second, but the latter's fierce shot in injury-time was palmed away by the visiting keeper.

The victory was much needed for Wycombe as they aim to climb up the table, with the victory putting them 18th.

However, they have now picked up two wins from their last three in the division.

The victory also makes it 10 unbeaten against Northampton in all competitions, winning eight and drawing two.

Up next for the Chairboys is an away trip to Wigan Athletic in the League Cup on September 23.