

Wycombe Wanderers Website Match Report

The Chairboys secured their first win of the pre-season against Cheltenham, with Richard Kone and a trialist racking up three over the 90 minutes.

Richard Kone got the Blues off the mark in the first half as he found himself of the end of a precisely placed through-ball from James Berry, centrally in front of goal. The striker was able to calmly turn it away to give the visitors the lead in the 20th minute.

A quick retaliation from the hosts saw Ethon Archer have his attempt at goal minutes later, but his strike was smashed against the left post after taking a deflective hit, keeping the Chairboys ahead.

Kone made it two later in the half after netting the ball past Joe Day in between the sticks for the hosts. The opportunity was well orchestrated by Ewan Henderson, who was situated on the right flank following an impressive run down the wing, allowing for him to deliver the assisting cross into Kone's path.

The return from the break saw the Blues restart with a new 11 whilst the hosts made a double change over half time.

Cheltenham came near through Luke Young who turned his shot towards goal in the 49th minute, but was denied by Will Norris between the posts for the Chairboys.

Newest signing, Jamie Mullins, came strikingly close to making it three with his powerful hit from 20 yards out, however, his attempt in the 53rd minute rattled off the bar and away from the target.

A late third was added for the Chairboys as a trialist prodded the ball in to the back of the net which landed in his path following Taylor Allen's initial attempt at the target which was blocked off the line.

The afternoon ended in a 3-0 away win for the Blues as the work towards the first game of the season continues.

First-half XI: George, Henderson, Cole, Hartridge, Back, Junior (Bartolo 30), Kone (C), Boyd-Munce, Berry, Westergaard, Skura.

Second-half XI: Norris, Udoh, Lowry, Grimmer (C), Tilley, Harvie (Trialist 80), Casey, Allen, Mullins, Leahy, Onyedinma.