



Wycombe Wanderers Website

Match Report

Wycombe fought back from two goals down to earn a 2-2 draw against Barnsley at Adams Park thanks to late goals from Sam Bell and Alex Lowry.

Reyes Cleary and Davis Keillor-Dunn looked to have set the Tykes on their way to a comfortable victory in the lunchtime kick-off, but Wanderers had other ideas, securing a point in stoppage time.

Michael Duff made two changes to the side that started in the defeat at AFC Wimbledon seven days earlier, handing Will Norris a first league start of the season in goal while Fin Back came in for Fred Onyedinma, who'd been ill during the week.

Norris was called into action during the first moment of note when Davis Keillor-Dunn latched on to an underhit backpass, but the Chairboys keeper did well to block the shot inside the area.

At the other end, Luke Leahy's deep cross met the head of Fin Back, whose effort ricocheted out for a corner, but the breakthrough came in the Tykes' favour, with their high press paying off as Connor Taylor exchanged passes with Norris only to be dispossessed by Reyes Cleary, who slotted home.

Taylor's header from a Leahy corner at the other end was goalbound before being headed clear, and misfortune struck again when Sam Bell's curling effort looked destined for the bottom corner before cannoning into Cauley Woodrow en route.

Wanderers swapped Jack Grimmer for Donnell McNeilly at the break but were soon 2-0 down when Cleary got away down the left and picked out Jonathan Bland, whose curling effort struck the post but the chance stayed alive and the ball reached Davis Keillor-Dunn in the box, with the prolific winger making no mistake from close range.

Alex Lowry replaced Jamie Mullins midway through the half, and the Blues upped the pressure with McNeilly in particular seeing plenty of the ball.

Bradley Fink came on for Woodrow on 77 minutes with Wycombe needing to generate more in front of goal to get back into it, but Barnsley stood firm, particularly to Bell's powerful drive on 84 which ricocheted out for a corner, from which Taylor glanced a header over.

Niall Huggins and Caolan Boyd-Munce came on for Fin Back and Dan Harvie soon after, and Wycombe's lifeline arrived with two minutes left on the clock courtesy of Sam Bell. A quick throw from Will Norris down the right was well worked into the channel for McNeilly to latch onto and twist his man inside out before crossing low for Bell to tap home.

And then came the equaliser, with 93 minutes on the clock. Leahy's long throw was headed clear but recycled into danger, and when space opened up for Alex Lowry 25 yards out, he whipped home a low effort into the far corner to rescue a point.