



Wycombe Wanderers Website

Match Report

Wycombe went down 2-1 to Colchester United in the first group stage game of the Vertu Trophy on Tuesday night, with the League Two side hitting a late winner at Adams Park.

Jaden Williams opened the scoring for the visitors only for Alex Lowry to smash home a superb leveller, but Jack Tucker secured all three points on 90 minutes following a corner.

Kyreece Lisbie drilled wide of the near post for Colchester in the game's first chance, before Fred Onyedima sidefooted over from James Tilley's cross from the right, lining up in the number 9 role.

Tilley's drilled effort from a tight angle drew a fingertip save from keeper Tom Smith, and from the resulting corner, Dan Harvie's header across the face of goal was almost converted by Luke Leahy on the stretch, but the visitors survived.

Dan Casey then headed straight at Smith from Leahy's inviting free-kick, but the breakthrough came against the run of play at the other end when Jack Baldwin clipped in a cross for Jaden Williams to head on target, and although Will Norris did well to tip the chance onto the post, Williams made no mistake with the rebound from a yard out.

Jack Payne then bent a free-kick narrowly past the post, but just as it seemed Wanderers might go in behind at the break, Alex Lowry produced an equaliser out of the top drawer, drilling home from 25 yards to give the keeper no chance.

A quiet start to the second period yielded little by way of goalmouth action, so Mike Dodds turned to the bench to hand a home debut to Bradley Fink as well as academy left-back Arthur Gregory, Magnus Westergaard and George Abbott.

The U's made changes of their own and one of the new arrivals – Arthur Read – whipped in an inviting cross that was headed just wide by Williams, before Chris Lutonadio came off the bench for his Wycombe debut in midfield.

Kyreece Lisbie was denied by Will Norris before Williams' goalbound strike was blocked by his team-mate Harry Anderson, and then James Tilley collected Magnus Westergaard's clever through-ball but fired wide.

Colchester's winner came just as the clock struck 90 when Blues struggled to clear a corner and Jack Tucker found space to drill home via a deflection.