



An uninspiring Wycombe side were defeated by Wrexham in an eagerly awaited clash at a sold-out Adams Park.

If a Wycombe fan was told at the beginning of the season that they would be in a promotion race, they would have most likely laughed in your face. But here they were, facing up against the team who could put a dent in their hopes for automatic promotion, and that's exactly what Wrexham did, as their loss to the Welsh side put them in third in the League, the only saving grace being that Wycombe have an extra game to play.

Over 9000 people made their way to Adams Park today, Wycombe's highest attendance in years. However, fans of the Buckinghamshire side were disappointed to see that League One's top scorer, Richard Kone, was not in the side today, missing out through illness. Fred Onyedinma took his place in the starting eleven.

The atmosphere was electric in the moments before kick-off, Wycombe and Wrexham fans backing their teams as they walked out onto the pitch.

The game began quite slowly, with both teams taking their time to settle into the game, however, Wycombe had the first chance, with a cross from McCleary finding Onyedinma meeting it, but his effort was held by the keeper. The first half was an even battle with both sides having their chances but none were able to convert. Wycombe were extremely direct in their play with a lot of long balls in attempts to find the forward players but they were quickly taken away by Wrexham defenders.

The first half ended goalless, and the second half began with a chance for the visitors, Sam Smith hitting the post, the ball somehow not finding the back of the net. A big let-off for the Chairboys. There were appeals for a penalty from Wrexham, but the referee waved it away and play continued.

There was a lot to play for in the final 20 minutes of the game as it remained goalless. A blatant handball in the box from a Wrexham player was obviously not seen by the referee as play continued once again.

James Berry came on for Garath McCleary on the 73rd minute.

Play was suspended on the 76th minute due to a medical emergency in the away end.

When play resumed, Wycombe had a corner which Taylor met and was inches away from converting, Low heading over off the rebound. It begs the question, would it have been different if Kone was playing?

Wrexham took the lead soon after, Sam Smith volleying home, much to the disappointment and annoyance of the home fans.

Onkonkwo was once again Wrexham's hero as Berry's low shot was saved, so close yet so far for Wycombe.

Magnus Westergaard and Sam Vokes made way for Adam Reach and Garath McCleary. The decisions once again bring Mike Dodds' ability to manage games into question, as the substitutions made while he has been manager have been far from ideal, to say the least.

After five additional minutes, the whistle was blown for full-time and Wrexham leapfrog Wycombe to take their spot in third.

Many fans were voicing their annoyance after the game and it has been a frustrating time for the Wanderers, only picking up one win in their last five games, critically not picking up points against struggling sides over the last month. Some are even beginning to ask if he was the right man for the job, given how the Chairboys performed at the start of the season up until January.

Wycombe looked weak today, and played right into their hands. We will have to see if it improves, if not, we're in for a long end to the season.

