

Hearts supporters to the rescue

Hearts supporters have proved, yet again, how committed they are to helping their team which remains under administration. With a long trip to Dingwall this weekend to face Ross County in the SPFL, members of the 1874 Fighting Fund have rallied round to pay for the Hearts players and officials to stay over in the Highlands tonight in order that the players are fresh for kick off on Saturday afternoon.

Hearts manager Gary Locke expressed his delight at this magnificent gesture:-“Yet again, everyone is doing their utmost for the club. I got a phone call from some of the Fighting Fund members that are involved, people like Gary Mackay, Scott Crabbe, Jimmy Sandison, ex-players who know the importance of preparing for games. They have been fantastic, they have raised funds for us to go up. It’s certainly something the players, myself and my backroom team are very appreciate of.”

When Hearts were last in the Highlands last month to face Inverness Caledonian Thistle, they lost 2-0 and the Gorgie gaffer believed travelling up north on the morning of the game did not help.

“I like to prepare the team as well as I can for every game. With the financial situation at the club, us going to a hotel the night before a game wasn’t exactly a priority. It was a long journey and it didn’t help our pre-match preparations. But this time these boys have come up with the goods so it means the players can get a longer lie without having to get up too early to sit on a bus.”

Hearts have an unchanged squad from the set of players who lost to Celtic last week.