## Train with Edinburgh Football

This year, both Hibernian Football Cub and Heart of Midlothian Football Club have formed partnerships with Edinburgh College and The Prince's Trust to deliver employment programmes that provide young people aged 16 and over with opportunities to gain valuable skills, qualifications and experience to get started on a career path or college course.

This season at Big Hearts, a 7 week programme for young people has been introduced at Heart of Midlothian Football Club.

Funded by Skills Development Scotland, the programme includes an employment qualification, early touches coaching qualification, volunteering opportunities and one week's work placement.

This is an exciting new course that is being piloted with 3 other clubs across the premiership already, including the new Hibernian Recruit course. Applications are now being taken and a selection day took place at the beginning of February, but if you are really good you might get on the next course!

This course is a fantastic opportunity for young people who are struggling to get onto the employment ladder, to develop their skills and hopefully get the opportunity to move further up the employment ladder.

If you would like to find out more information about this course or would like to apply, please contact Benedict Craigie-Sharland on 0131 200 7204, or email him at benedict@bighearts.org.uk

Two brand new courses are also on offer this season at Easter Road Stadium.

Hibernian Recruit is a 12 week long programme offering individual and team challenges to give your career a kick

start. The courses aims to help you find out what employers are looking for. You will learn how to handle new situations, gain skill on working with others and be able to present yourself with confidence to potential employers.

Starting in February 2014 and running until April 2014, the course also provides opportunities to engage with employers and visit a variety of workplace settings, as well as the chance to earn SVQ Level 4 in Employability and Enterprise or Core Skills, and to 'win' a paid work placement at the end of 12 weeks.

Once completing the 12 week course, you can move on to the Hibernian Hospitality and Events Management Academy, where you can take your career further. This 18 week course includes:

- An introduction to a variety of employment in the fields of hospitality and events management;
- An opportunity to earn SVQ Level 5 in Tourism and Events Management;
- Real experience in planning and running an event;
- A work placement in hospitality, tourism or events management.

This course will commence on the 23rd April 2014 and runs until 9th July 2014.

Whilst each Hibernian course stands on its own, you may be eligible to progress through both. Spaces are limited to 20 in each course and will be allocated based on participation in the selection process.

If you would like to find out more information about either of these courses or you would like to apply, please contact the Hibernian Community Foundation on 0131 661 2159, or email info@hibernianinthecommunity.org.uk