

Liam Craig praises Hibs' fans for their part in Rangers victory



Hibs' captain Liam Craig praised the supporters for their part in Saturday's historic 4-0 win over Rangers at Easter Road.

The former St Johnstone player scored Hibs' fourth in the victory, his first league goal since scoring the penalty which beat Hearts in the new year derby in front of a sell out crowd.

The rest of the year however is one that Craig want to forget. After sufferng relegation, the midfielder was told that he was no longer in the manager's plans and that the club would not stand in his way should a suitable offer come in. Over the summer he was linked with a move to Aberdeen or back to Perth however it was Terry Butcher who left and Craig insisted that he wanted to remain to help the club back into the top flight.

When Alan Stubbs was appointed as Head Coach, one of his first acts was to assure Craig that he would remain club captain.

Speaking to Hibs TV after the Rangers game, Craig said: "Credit to the fans and players for achieving the result because it was a real team effort.

"There is no better feeling than winning that convincingly against Rangers at Easter Road – it was massive.

"We'll enjoy it, but we'll look forward to the next big game on Saturday.

"I think over the last three games the team has been excellent with two clean sheets.

“We’re under no illusions how hard it will be at Tynecastle, but it’s a game we’re looking forward to.

“The fans played their part too – they were excellent. As a Hibs player, to hear Sunshine on Leith after the game was a special feeling – hopefully we’ll hear them singing it again after the game on Saturday.”

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