

World Cup bonuses for capital clubs



Hibs and Hearts are to receive unexpected bonuses due to former players taking part in the World Cup last year in Brazil.

Hibs will get \$27,067 (£17,932) because on loan midfielder Jorge Claros (pictured left) was a member of the Honduras squad, whilst Hearts get \$12,600 (£8,347) because of Ryan McGowan's selection for Australia.

A European Club Association statement explained: "A club's share of the \$70m is calculated by reference to the number of players from a club who were selected for their national team for the Fifa World Cup 2014 and the number of days each player was at the tournament.

"This period started two weeks before the opening match of the final competition, up until the day after his national team was eliminated. More specifically, the 'total amount per player' is calculated by multiplying the number of days a player was present at the 2014 Fifa World Cup by a fixed amount 'per player per day', which was set at \$2,800.

"Of the 'total amount per player', a pro rata share is then passed on to the club(s) with which a player was registered in the two-year period before the final tournament (ie season 2012-13 and 2013-14)."