

Farid El Alagui back in Hibs' squad for Saturday



Hibs' Head Coach Alan Stubbs has revealed that long term injury victim Farid El Alagui will be in the first team squad for tomorrow's game against Raith Rovers at Starks Park although he is still short of match fitness. Meanwhile there is still some doubt over teenage striker Jason Cummings despite his all clear following a scan on his knee earlier this week.

Speaking to Hibs' TV, Stubbs said: "I think Farid (El Alagui) is getting very close. I think that ideally that he is still a game or two away from being absolutely 100%. Don't forget he has been out six months give or take a week or two either side. He has played a 45 minutes, a 60 minutes and he completed his first 90 minutes in midweek but for me he is still another couple of 90 minutes away but he will be in the squad on Saturday.

"Early on in the season, he started really well. He's had a really major injury and it is important that when he comes back, Farid is full of confidence and people don't judge him to quickly and we need to make sure that he is 100% right and firing on all cylinders.

"We are still a little bit in the dark over Jason (Cummings). He did some running on Thursday and so if there is no reaction to that we will be hopeful that he may be involved in training today and as long as he is OK coming through that then we'd look for him to be involved in the game on Saturday.

"Raith Rovers have had some really good results in the last few weeks, winning at Livingston whilst the Hearts' game could have gone either way and a great result in midweek against

Queen of the South so if that doesn't mark our card that we are in for a tough game then nothing will.

"We know that they are unpredictable and we need to make sure that we are back on it again and pick up three points.