Leigh Griffiths wins SPFL Player of the Month for April

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Former Hibs' striker Leigh Griffiths has won the SPFL Player of the Month award for April.

Griffiths scored seven goals in six games for Celtic over the course of the month, including two hat-tricks which helped the Hoops win their fourth title in a row.

After leaving Hibs, Griffiths returned to Wolves for a short period before Celtic pounced and after a slow start, his career has gone from strength to strength, scoring an impressive 26 goals in 51 games

Yesterday Griffiths told the club website: "I've hit a good patch of form and scored two hat-tricks so it might have been difficult for the voting panel to go elsewhere.

"Last season Kris Commons and Anthony Stokes and I were sharing the goals but this season it's been more one man each month. After that it has been someone else that has been top goalscorer each month, but thankfully April has been mine.

"It's just a confidence thing. Whoever has that jersey up front will be confident of scoring goals."

The striker added: "Since the turn of the year I've hit a good run of form and people are seeing the real Leigh Griffiths that was at Hibs a couple of seasons ago and was scoring goals for fun in the Premier League.

"My goals-to-games ratio is now up there with the best. It's a good stat and it was great to score a hat-trick on my 50th appearance.

"It has been an incredible season when you look at it like that but it might not have happened if I didn't buck up my ideas after I spoke with the manager.

"I could have just sulked and said, 'Right, that's my Celtic career over,' but I didn't because I wanted to prove everyone wrong and show that I was the main man."

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