

Alan Stubbs' verdict on Alloa victory



Hibs' Head Coach was happy with the performance of his defence, midfield and strikers during yesterdays comfortable win over Alloa Athletic at Easter Road. Apart from the first minute when the Wasps had two good chances, Hibs dominated throughout creating attack after attack and scoring three times.

In addition to the squad, Stubbs also had a number of first team members sitting in the stand, including Fraser Fyvie, Jordon Forster, Sam Stanton, Farid El Alagui, Henri Anier, Adam Eckersley and Danny Handling, but it was the players on the park that he wanted to discuss.

Speaking immediately after the game Stubbs said: "It's important that we keep a clean sheet because of the attacking quality that we have in the team. We've got goals in us.

"It's important that the boys at the back do their job because it gives those front of them a licence to go and create opportunities. You have to give Alloa a bit credit because they got behind the ball early on and they obviously frustrated us and they worked really hard, but one lapse in concentration and we managed to get the goal then in the end we could have scored one or two more, but 3-0 at home is a good days work.

"When I first came Easter Road was talked about as not being a fortress and how vulnerable the players were playing at home but that is one thing we have addressed since we've came. Our home form is very good. I think we only had a couple of defeats in the whole of the season but we drew too many and we are hoping to try and improve on that.

“The midfield are a very talented bunch. Dylan (McGeouch) has come and he has really lifted everybody. John McGinn will just get better and better, Marvin Bartley does the unnoticed jobs and gives them the licence to get forward and obviously we’ve got Fraser (Fyvie) and Liam (Henderson) so we do have a riches of talent there.

“The strikers in the squad can’t all play but when they are in there as long as we are creating chances, the ones that are picked will get opportunities. It’s the one position that every manager wants to see competition in numbers is the strikers. We’ve got for the first time now a real healthiness about the striking options and it’s great but obviously I can’t keep everybody happy but as long as long as the team that goes on the pitch keeps the fans and me and the board happy that’s the most important thing.