

Alan Stubbs previews Raith Rovers game



Hibs victory over Falkirk on Tuesday moved them to second place in the Championship, eight points behind Rangers and two points in front of Saturday's opponents Raith Rovers and Alan Stubbs is expecting a tough game at Starks Park.

The teams met earlier in the season at Easter Road and Hibs won comfortably but Stubbs is taking nothing for granted.

The good news for Hibs' fans is that there are no new injury worries and Stubbs will have the same squad to pick from with only long term injury victim Danny Handling unavailable for selection,

Speaking to Hibs TV Stubbs said: "Raith have started the season very well and their home form has been very good and we know it's going to be a difficult game.

"We had a tough game against them at Easter Road where we prevailed 2-0. I see no difference to that on Saturday.

"Where we are at this moment in time is that we take each game as it comes and very rarely do we have two games that similar.

We are all fine after the Falkirk game with no new injuries to report so and we will have the same squad of players available for the Raith game.

"Falkirk was a different type of win that we are normally accredited to.

"Our overall play in terms of possession was not as strong as it normally is but you have to give the opposition a little

bit of credit as well. We were sloppy, loose and a little bit careless with our passes and lay offs and link up play but overall I thought there was a real togetherness about the team and on a few occasions we had real opportunities to kill the game but we didn't capitalise on them."

One player unlikely to figure on Saturday is Adam Eckersley who played in yesterdays Development Squad defeat to Rangers, but the former Hearts' full back is getting nearer to first team action. Stubbs continued: "Adam's getting closer. Yesterday was a good start for him getting sixty minutes under his belt and he has come through the game with no adverse reactions so from that point of view it's pleasing.