

Alan Stubbs' verdict on Queen of the South victory



Hibs' Head Coach Alan Stubbs insisted that results are more important than performances at this stage of the season after watching his players grab all three points in dramatic fashion against a stuffy Queen of the South at Easter Road yesterday.

Hibs moved level on points with Rangers at the top of the Championship thanks to a last gasp goal from Dominique Malonga after some good work from skipper David Gray and Stubbs was quick to praise the former Manchester United full back for his delivery.

Speaking immediately after the game to Hibs TV he said: "You have to give credit to Queen of the South. They worked really hard as a team, but for us today there was a lot of 'nearly things.'

"Where we are now, at this stage of the season, it's not about performances. Yes we all want to see us play really well and dominate possession. We want to win games 3-0, but I have to say that is in cuckoo land at times. We have to play realistic football.

"Over the last couple of weeks we have shown real character and you have to do that in order to achieve anything and from my point of view that's a very pleasing aspect to see.

"I said to David in the dressing room that he had done some good things defensively, but going forward we wanted a little bit more quality and thankfully he saved his best bit of quality for the 92nd, or whatever minute it was.

"We want him to pick people out in that final third and he's

dinked a lovely ball in for Dom who is in the perfect position between the goals. I've had to look twice to make sure it has gone in. It's a really exciting way to win a game.

"It's not an exciting position to be in for me but for the players and fans its fantastic. I'd have liked it to have been earlier. I'd like us not to put ourselves under that pressure."