John McGinn looking forward to 'tough' encounter against Ayr United

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Hibs' midfielder John McGinn, who was called into Gordon Strachan's side for the FIFA World Cup qualifying match against England next week, insists that his focus is on today's game against Ayr United at Somerset Park.

The fans' favourite claims that he and his teammates will be travelling south looking for revenge against the only team to have beaten Hibs in the league this season but he knows that everyone will have to be on their 'A' game to maintain or even extend their lead at the top of the Championship.

Speaking to Hibs TV ahead of the game, McGinn said: "We are on a good run at the moment. The games are coming thick and fast and we are looking forward to Saturday to hopefully extend our lead at the top.

"It's really important to pick up three points. When you are one of the main sides in the division there's always people trying to catch you.

"We need to make sure that we're on our game and we can't get complacent because it's a really important run of games that's coming up now.

"We were really disappointed that Ayr United beat us the last time and we feel as if we are going down there with a point to prove.

"We thought we were the better team on the day but credit to them they came back in the second half and performed really well so we know we are not going down for an easy three points.

"They have some good players and we are aware of that so it will be tough but hopefully we get a more positive result than we got at Easter road.

"It's brilliant to be on top of the table. It's something I have not experienced before. It comes with certain pressure and expectation but at a club like Hibs that's expected.

"Hopefully we can stay there till the end of the season and not get shifted. It's not an easy league and there are no easy games.

"Dundee United are on our heels and so are Falkirk and another couple of teams and we know that we have to be on our 'A' game every week."