

Field hockey – Dick determined to stay in top flight



Eyes focused as Inverleith claim the ball in midfield against Edinburgh University at Peffermill. Picture by Nigel Duncan Media

Inverleith star Stephen Dick said his team-mates will battle for every point in a bid to stay in the top flight of Scottish field hockey.

The former Olympian, back in the side after a three-month lay-off following keyhole surgery, was disappointed with the 1-1 draw at Edinburgh University on Saturday.

John Martin put the visitors 1-0 ahead in the first-half but Alan Oldham netted the leveller in the second.

Both sides had chances to claim the winner but Dick said: "Edinburgh are fifth in the table and we dominated much of that game."

Gavin Byers and Paul Martin scored for Grove Menzieshill in

the first minute of each half in their battle with table-topping Grange on Tayside.

Frank Ryan sparked Grange with a goal six minutes from time and the Edinburgh side levelled with the last touch of the contest when Grange captain Cammie Fraser fired home for a share of the points.

Bromac Kelburne edged Clydesdale 2-1 win with goals from Ben Peterson and Gary Maitles.

Hat-tricks by Brad Hughes and Steven Percy handed second bottom Uddingston a 6-3 at Western Wildcats.

Meanwhile, coach Sam Judge was pleased to have taken three points but felt her Edinburgh University squad made it hard for themselves in a narrow 2-1 win over city rivals Watsonians. Caitlin Girdwood scored both their goals.

Elsewhere, Milne Craig Clydesdale Western beat bottom side Kelburne 9-0 on the road and a penalty corner strike from Catriona Booth was sufficient to give Western Wildcats three points against Glasgow High Kelvinside.

Grove Menzieshill remain in second spot thanks to a Jude McMullan strike which was enough to see off Grange.