

Neil Lennon charged with misconduct following 'aeroplane' celebration



Neil Lennon has been charged with misconduct in connection with his 'aeroplane' celebrations on the pitch following Jamie MacLaren's late equaliser on Sunday.

With emotions running high, Lennon responded to a number of abusive songs from the Rangers' supporters at the end of the 10-goal thriller.

He was sent to the stand for his behaviour and left the field to chants of 'There's only one Neil Lennon' from the Hibs' fans.

If found guilty, it would trigger a suspended two-match ban following his confrontation with referee Kevin Clancy during the 2-2 draw with Kilmarnock for which he received a three game ban.

After the game, he was questioned about whether he anticipated a further ban for his actions.

He replied: "They (Rangers fans) make it personal, don't they? You all hear it. They were singing sectarian songs at me.

"It was just a little bit of, 'have some of that'. It was worth it. Trust me. Bobby (Madden – fourth official) was fine about it. I should not get a ban for that, I was nowhere near them. I was just letting them know how pleased I was to get the equaliser.

"It was harmless, was it not? The sending off is enough and I should not get further punishment for that.

"I was nowhere near them (Rangers fans). I was about 50 yards away when I stopped – just as well! It was worth it, I enjoyed the moment."

The club have until 22 May to respond to Tuesday's notice of complaint, with a principal hearing date set for 21 June.