

Hibs Colts eliminated from Irn Bru Cup on penalties



Hibs Colts lost 4-3 on penalties to Dundee Colts in the Irn Bru Cup last night after a hard-fought 2-2 draw at the Kilmac Stadium at Dens Park.

Thomas Bradbury headed Dundee in front from close range midway through the first half with Fraser Murray equalising moments later after Lewis Alan's shot was blocked and he was first to react.

Sean Mackie's gave Hibs the lead in the 7th minute with a powerful strike but ten minutes later a Daniel Jeffries' header made it two each.

The game was decide on penalty kicks.

Jamie Gullan and Cameron Dow both scored for their sides, before Samuel Jackson got down well to save a low strike from Ben Stirling, with Matthew Henvey converting for the hosts.

Kevin Waugh equalised then Paddy Martin saved the following effort from Jack Lambert. Innes Murray had his next penalty saved, with Cameron Dow and Thomas Bradbury scoring the last two spot-kicks to win the game 4-3 for Dundee.

After the game Kevin Waugh told Hibernian TV: "We are devastated obviously. We had enough chances to win the game and on another day we do win it but when it goes to penalties

it's a lottery.

"We can play better. It boiled down to two set pieces which isn't like us but we will go back to the drawing board and correct it for the next match.

"We are not here to dig each other out, because we are a team at the end of the day and we win together and lose together.

"Set pieces are a massive part of the game and you have to be aggressive in both boxes but at the end of the day we weren't that tonight. If we defender two ball into the box tonight we would have left with a win."

Dundee Colts: Jackson, Rodger, Rice, Bradbury, Jeffries, Hornyik (Meres, 83), Lambert, Moore, Henvey, Scott, Dow. Unused substitutes: Sharp, Anderson, E. Smith, J. Smith.

Hibernian Colts: Martin, Blake (Shanley, 31), Donaldson, Campbell, Waugh, Stirling, Gullan, I. Murray, Allan, F. Murray (Gallantes, 82), Mackie. Unused substitutes: Dabrowski, O'Connor, Yeats, Paton.