

Seven Hibs' players away on international duty



Neil Lennon's plan to iron out any deficiencies in the team's playing style during the international break have hit a snag as Hibs have had seven players called-up for international duty this week for four different nations.

At under-21 level defender Ryan Porteous, midfielder Stevie Mallan and striker Oli Shaw, who has been called-up to the squad for the first time, have all been drafted into Scot Gemmill's squad.

Scotland are involved in UEFA Under-21 European Championship qualifying matches at home to Andorra and away to the Netherlands on Thursday 6 September and Tuesday 11 September.

At senior level, Daryl Horgan and Vyckintas Slivka have been called-up for the Republic of Ireland and Lithuania respectively, for their UEFA Nations League and friendly matches.

Horgan will potentially feature in his country's opening Nations League fixture away to Wales on Thursday 6 September (7:45pm kick-off) and five days later Ireland travel to Wroclaw for a friendly match with Poland.

Midfielder Slivka is involved in a two Nations League matches, with matches against two countries from the Balkans.

Lithuania host Serbia on Friday 7 September (7:45pm kick-off) as their campaign begins in Vilnius. Three days later the side play their second game of the tournament at the Stadion Pod Goricom in Podgorica as they take on Montenegro.

Australia may not have a fixture to play, but Graham Arnold has still organised a training camp in Antalya, Turkey, to assess the players at his disposal as he takes over the management of the Socceroos.

Jamie Maclaren and Mark Milligan have both been included in the camp.