

# Jack Ross praises his players' 'excellent approach' to Stranraer game

Hibs' Head Coach Jack Ross praised his players' 'excellent approach' to the Scottish Cup tie against Stranraer at Stair Park yesterday.

Hibs dominated from start to finish and the 4-0 scoreline actually flattered the hosts and Ross's men could easily have scored seven or eight.



A first-half strike from Christian Doidge was followed by a Kevin Nisbet free-kick and a double from Martin Boyle secured a quarter-final place against Motherwell on Saturday.

Hibs also face Livingston at Easter Road on Wednesday in the race for third place.

After the final whistle Ross told BBC Scotland: "I thought we were good. I think our approach to the game was excellent. Our mindset and the respect we showed the opposition I spoke about pre-match, the way we went about the game was good.

"It was difficult, the playing surface was tricky at times and we could argue the case for scoring more goals but I am pleased with what we produced today.

"I think we feel that since the international break we've had the two cup ties and the visit to Ibrox and in all three games the performance has been good. It's about continuing that momentum in the group. We've set good standards in the course

of the season and we recognise that it's a big week for us.

"We have a really important league game on Wednesday evening against Livingston and then the quarter final of the Cup but the group are in a good place for it. They feel good individually, a lot of them are performing. The forward players are scoring goals which is obviously nice so we are looking forward not only to this week but the last four or five weeks of the season.

"Winning the Scottish Cup is our ambition and has been since pre-season and we have an opportunity now to get closer to that after the game today but tough opponents next week. A step up obviously from today but we will look forward to that game on Saturday when I comes around."