## David Gray's Hibs tenure starts with a comfortable 5-0 victory over Edinburgh City

David Gray's tenure in charge of Hibs began with a comfortable 5-0 friendly win against Edinburgh City at Meadowbank Stadium thanks to goals from Chris Cadden, Dylan Levitt, Harry McKirdy, Reuben McAllister and Josh Campbell all on target.

Gray listed a first half team and a second half team against neighbours City.

New signing Josef Bursik started in goals, the back four consisted of Oscar MacIntyre, Riley Harbottle, Nohan Kenneh and Kanayo Megwa, Joe Newell took the armband and lined-up in midfield alongside Cadden, Levitt and Luke Amos, whilst McKirdy and Dylan Vente were in attack.

In front of a crowd of around 2,000 Hibs took the lead in the 15<sup>th</sup> minute when Cadden capitalised on a mistake in the City defence.

Seven minutes later Cadden turned provider when he split the City defence to find Dylan Vente on the left of the box and the Welshman finished clinically from eight yards.

Moments later McKirdy added a third with a spectacular firsttime effort from 30 yards for his first goal for the Club.

He almost doubled his tally just before the break but was denied by a fine save.

For the second half Max Boruc took over between the posts, Rory Whittaker, Lewis Miller, Joseph McGrath and Jordan Obita made up the back line, Jake Doyle-Hayes, McAllister, Campbell and Jair Tavares were in midfield, with Rudi Molotnikov and Josh Landers the front two.

Shortly after the restart Campbell slipped McAllister through and he added a fourth goal with a composed finish.

Landers had the ball in City's net again on 61 minutes but his effort was ruled offside..

A fifth goal arrived two minutes later when Campbell swept home following Landers knock down.

Hibs continued to press and Obita and McGrath both struck the woodwork for us whilst Whittaker and Molotnikov were each denied by good stops from the goalkeeper.

The squad travel to Netherlands for a pre-season training camp next week.

Edinburgh City: Weir, Gormley, Mitchell, Robertson, McArthur, Lynch, Stokes, Scally, Jarvis, Young. Substitutes: Berveridge, McKinstray, Pitt, Trialist, Trialist, Trialist.

Hibernian FC First Half: Bursik, Levitt, Vente, Newell, Cadden, Amos, McKirdy, Kenneh, Harbottle, Megwa, MacIntyre.

Hibernian FC Second Half: Boruc, Miller, Doyle-Hayes, Obita, Jair, Campbell, Molotnikov, McAllister, Whittaker, Landers, McGrath.

Unused Substitute: Calder