

Two Capital hockey stars named in Scotland's Euro squad

Grange star David Nairn and Keir Robb, who was influential for The University of Edinburgh last season, have been named in the Scotland men's squad for their EuroHockey Championship qualifier in Vienna from August 22 to 25.

Scotland open against Croatia for a place in the semi-finals and the winner faces either Ukraine and Lithuania.

The tournament winner will qualify for the EuroHockey Championship in Germany next year and the Scots come into the contest on the back of a 10-1 win against Czechia and two hard-fought draws with Poland.

Olympian Lee Morton has been named in the strong squad following his appearance for Great Britain Men in Paris where he scored three goals. Rob Field will captain a team that features a lot of firepower.

The squad also features three sets of brothers, Cammy and Jamie Golden, Joe and Andy McConnell and Ali and Calum Douglas.

Jonny Caren, the head coach, is confident the team will perform well and he added: "We have grown a lot both on and

off the pitch as a team, finishing our last preparation game with a 10-1 win against Czechia.

“It was as close to a complete team performance as a coach could ask for. High intensity both in our pressing game and in our build up. Great connections, especially in the final third, and rounded off with a clinical performance inside the circle both in open play and in our attacking corners.”

Squad: Tommy Alexander, Tommy Austin, Calum Douglas, Alasdair Douglas, Rob Field (captain), Lewis Fraser, Jamie Golden, Cammy Golden, A J Lochrin, Callum Mackenzie, Andrew McAllister, Joe McConnell, Andrew McConnell, Lee Morton, David Nairn, Alasdair Richmond, Keir Robb, Struan Walker.

PICTURE: The Grange team including David Nairn who won the men's Premiership last season. Supplied by Grange.