

David Gray provides fitness update ahead of Sunday's Edinburgh derby

Hibs head coach David Gray has provided an early team news update on a couple of key players, including Chris Cadden who limped off with injury last time out ahead of this Sunday's Edinburgh Derby.

Speaking at today's pre-match press conference he said: "Chris picked up a knock in the second half against Dundee United, so he is struggling a wee bit.

"He has a bit of a thigh issue, he over-stretched his thigh a bit trying to block a cross – so we need to see how he goes.

"Nicky Cadden is at the other end (of his injury), he has been back training and is moving well – so we will see how he goes between now and kick-off.

"Apart from that we are fit and ready to go."

Hibs will be without skipper Joe Newell, who is unavailable due to suspension after being sent off against Dundee United last weekend.

On the other hand, the positive news is that Nectar Triantis is available for selection after serving his one-match suspension.

“It seems to be that way it is at the moment, you gain one and you lose one at the same time. Nectar comes back after suspension but Joe will have to miss out.

“The most disappointed person in there will be Joe Newell at the moment because he knows what it means; he’s played in enough of these before and it will be difficult for him to watch because he will be desperate to be involved.

“But he has had a massive part to play this week in making sure he is still driving standards in training and affecting the players around the building.”