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ntl:

The events of last Saturday against Dundee were particularly bad for Jonathan Gould but it wasn't the worst aspect of the game - the team's overall performance was.

Needless to say, the Celtic fans will be expecting a lot more input all round from everyone today as we welcome Alex McLeish and his Hibs side.

People often say that because the season is nearly over and all the trophies have been just about won that there is little to motivate the players.

But motivation should never be a problem for any Celtic player - just pulling on that jersey and running onto that pitch should be enough.

Those who don't appreciate what Celtic stands for have probably already decided for themselves that it's time to move on.

The fact that I have decided not to put myself forward for the position of Head Coach won't affect the way I approach each game I have left in charge of the first team.

And I can assure everyone that we will give our very best in the six remaining league matches this season beginning today.

Longer term, there will still be plenty of work to do in preparation for next season plus other projects like the development of a youth academy.

Hibs have already beaten us this season 2-1 at Easter Road and we lost that day

We must remain positive

because of the way we started the match.

We have to ensure that we begin this one in a much more positive manner and that's what we are aiming to do.

Although as Celtic supporters we are all disappointed at how things have turned out this season but there is still a lot to look forward to in the coming months.

I've been particularly pleased the way the young kids who are breaking through to the first team have responded when called upon.





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Hibs are hot on the victory trail

MCLEISH'S MEN LOOKING FOR REPEAT PERFORMANCE

The last time Hibs met Celtic, the Hibeese emerged 2-1 winners thanks to goals by Pat McGinlay and rising star Kenny Miller.

Today, we give you the lowdown on the players Celtic expect to face this afternoon.

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Signed in July 1997 from Icelandic club, Keflavik, **OLI GOTTSKALKSSON** came to Hibs with an international pedigree, and not just in football. In addition to the caps he's picked up for football he has represented his country at basketball. Gottskalksson is a commanding figure in goal and at 30 is approaching the age where goalkeepers are reaching their prime. A resurgence of confidence has seen him now establish himself as a favourite with the fans.

DEREK COLLINS is an experienced full back who has played most of his career with Greenock Morton, before singing for Hibs in December 1998.

He made his Hibs debut in a 3-0 victory over Clydebank in a league match.

PAUL LOVERING was signed from Clydebank in October 1998 by Alex McLeish, this left-sided youngster was being watched by a number of clubs but decided to join the Hibs.

In the short time he has been with the club he has proven to be a very astute acquisition. Missed the end of



ROCK SOLID ... captain John Hughes is a natural leader on the park

season 1998/99 through injury.

FRANCK SAUZEE was signed on a 18-month contract by Alex McLeish in February 1999, beating off Rapid Vienna and FC Basel for his signature.

Franck joined Hibs from French side Montpellier on a free transfer. The talented Frenchman has a cupboard full of medals including a European Cup Winners' Medal from 1993 when he played with Marseille. He started his senior career at the age of 17 when he played in midfield. He now plays

further back in a more defensive role.

JOHN HUGHES signed from Celtic in October 1996, this tall central defender is a natural leader on the park.

An uncompromising tackler, he has the knack of scoring vital goals. He came to Celtic from Falkirk after spells at Berwick Rangers and Swansea City.

A local man and lifelong Hibs fan, John was given the captain's armband after Jim Leighton left the club.



owdown on today's visitors Hibs



STRIKE FORCE ... Russel Latapy and Kenny Miller have been in sparkling form for Hibs this season

SHAUN DENNIS joined Hibs in January 1997 from Raith Rovers, his only other senior club, and with whom he won a Coca-Cola Cup winners' medal in 1995.

After a handful of games for Hibs, Dennis picked up a leg injury in a match against Rangers.

Shaun has now established himself as one of the mainstays in the Hibs defence.

STEVIE CRAWFORD came to Hibs from Millwall in July 1997.

He began his career at Raith Rovers and quickly established himself as one of the country's best young strikers.

He won the Coca-Cola Cup with Raith in season '94/95 and the same year he was nominated as the first Division Player of the Year in Scotland.

Crawford has one full Scottish cap against Ecuador, a game in which he scored. He was Hibs' top scorer in season '98/99. He is currently on loan with Dunfermline Athletic.

MIXU PAADELAINEN was signed by Alex McLeish in September 1998 on a three-year deal.

The talented Finnish internationalist was added to the Hibs team to give them greater fire power up-front.

Hibs signed him from Wolves, and he has since been a regular goalscorer with the club.

RUSSEL LATAPY was signed by Alex McLeish in October 1998. He has represented Trinidad and Tobago at all levels, from under-14 to senior level.

He had been playing professionally in Portugal for five years prior to joining Hibernian. A dynamic midfielder and one who excites the crowd tremendously, Russel has a natural gift and is one of the rare things in the game today, a playmaker.

He was named the Scottish Football League Division One Players' Player of the Year in 1999.

Young winger **PAUL HARLEY** was signed in January 1999 from Raith Rovers. Hibs beat a number of other clubs to gain the signature of this talented footballer.

NICK COLGAN joined Hibs in July 1999 as a standby for Oli Gottskalksson, but has recently been playing in the starting eleven. The young 'keeper has been capped at under-21 level for his native Ireland.

DIRK LEHMANN, a tall, right-footed striker, was signed prior to the start of season 1999/2000 from

Fulham.

The striker, who is German, has played at a high level in both Germany and Belgium.

Hibs young striker **KENNY MILLER** has come up through the ranks at Easter Road. Kenny had a period on loan with Stenhousemuir during season 1998/99 and his goal scoring prowess has seen him take that club through to meet Rangers in the Scottish Cup.

Kenny is currently Hibs' top scorer, and was recently capped at under-21 level. He has signed a deal to stay with Hibs until 2004.

MATHIAS JACK signed for Hibernian in July 1999. The central defender has been added to give Hibs a real depth in the squad.

GRANT BREBNER joined Hibs from Reading and signed a five-year contract. The pacey midfielder is a keen goal-scorer and has captained Scotland at under-21 level.

MICHAEL RENWICK is a promising young midfielder who prefers the right side of the field. Renwick can also be called on to play at the back.

A very hard worker he made his mark last season when he enjoyed a long spell of first-team appearances.



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Scott travels to the football on the supporters' bus with his dad and his second team has to be the Republic of Ireland. Favourite TV programme is Southpark and he enjoys listening to Robbie Williams and Oasis.

Scott had a fabulous evening and could not stop talking about it when he went home.

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