

Former Hibs' star Pat Quinn dies aged 84

Former Hibs' inside forward Pat Quinn has died aged 84.

Born in Glasgow on April 26 1936 Pat started his career at Albion Rovers in 1955 before moving to Motherwell where he became one of the legendary 'Ansell Babes' along with Ian St-John.

He spent seven years at the club before a big money (£34,000) move to Blackpool where he scored in his debut in a 3-1 win over Bolton Wanderers.



In October 1963 Walter Galbraith signed the inside forward for Hibs and he made his debut against Dunfermline at East End Park.

His Hibs' career blossomed under Jock Stein and he played a significant part in the historic defeat of Real Madrid in a challenge match at Easter Road.

In 1966 he made history by becoming Hibs first ever substitute to come off the bench in a game against Clyde.

Nicknamed 'the Mighty Quinn' by supporters Pat would go on to play a total of 201 games for the club, scoring 26-goals including a memorable hat-trick in a 4-1 victory over Hearts at Tynecastle on 9th September 1967.

Two months later he scored in Hibs never to be forgotten 5-0 victory over Naples in the Inter-Cities Fairs Cup.

In the next round he played against Leeds United where Hibs

were eliminated with a goal from Jack Charlton who coincidentally also passed away this week.

In 1969 Pat helped Hibs to the League Cup final defeat to Jock Stein's Celtic.

His last game for the club came three days later against Dundee at Easter Road.

He subsequently moved to East Fife where he finished his distinguished playing career and subsequently took over as manager. He returned to Easter Road as assistant manager to Bertie Auld in the early 1980s.

He won four international caps making his international debut in the infamous 9-3 defeat to England at Wembley. His next two games involved victories over the Republic of Ireland before his last appearance in a 3-2 defeat by Uruguay.

He also played for the Scottish League XI six times.

The Edinburgh Reporter sends condolences to Pat's family and friends.