

Colts grand final

SOUTHPORT AGAIN THE VICTORS

SOUTHPORT Colts with a match winning third quarter against Broadbeach took their Australian Rules grand final in brilliant fashion.

But they had looked to be in trouble during the first quarter.

Scores: Southport 15-7-97, Broadbeach 12.4.76.

The Cats started in scintillating fashion and had built up a big lead of five goals before the Magpies settled down.

This took most of the first quarter but from then on with all of Southport players coming into the game they wore down and swamped the Cats.

With a 1-point lead at half-time the game was evenly balanced, but after the long interval the Magpie forwards ran berserk and brushed aside the Cats defenders as they rammed on six goals two behinds to gain a winning break.

The Cats steadied towards the end of the quarter and registered a couple of goals, but straight after three-quarter-time the Magpies kicking against the wind rushed through a couple of majors that made the Cats' task hopeless.

All credit to the Cats, they fought the game out and dominated the last ten minutes when they kicked five goals straight, but the break by the Magpies was too great and Southport won their first Colts flag.

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