

"TIGERS for breakfast — two helpings of Demons for lunch and a Lion steak for dinner." This was the menu being planned for the Magpies when president Leo Busch (left) and the club's new coach, Des Collins, got together this week.



New coach appointed

Former Melbourne VFL Club Australian Rules player, 24-year-old Des Collins, has been appointed coach of the Southport Magpies Australian Rules Club's senior team for the 1971 season.

Representative football for the 6ft. 2½in. 14st. 7lb. Collins started in 1960 when he played for the Tasmanian schoolboys side in Hobart.

After playing his first senior game with the Ulverstone club, when he was 17 years old, Collins signed with Melbourne Demons in 1964.

He made the club's senior side in his second year, having played under 17s and reserves in his first season.

In 1967 he transferred to the Carlton VFL club, but later that year transferred to the VFA club, Port Melbourne, and was a member of the club's premiership winning team.

He moved to Queensland in 1968 and played the last three seasons with Western Districts.

Beach training for the Magpies, who finished in fifth position last season, will start on Sunday, when all intending players are asked to meet outside the Southport Life-saving Club at 10 a.m.

Because of the introduction of a reserve grade competition in the 1971 season, Southport club officials would like to see all former and intending players at this first training session.

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