

Sam Landsberger Sport Journalism Fellowship

Opportunity: *This fellowship commemorates Sam Landsberger, a talented and beloved sports journalist, who was a passionate Western Bulldogs fan and a multiple-award winning member of the Herald Sun's sports reporting team. He died in 2024, aged 35.*

This is a co-operative initiative from the Melbourne Press Club, the Western Bulldogs and the Herald Sun.

The person: We are looking for someone who has a keen interest in journalism and media. You will have a love of reading and writing, good communication skills and an interest and understanding/knowledge of sport. Energy and enthusiasm are assets.

You will have **EITHER** finished Year 12 **OR** completed a university qualification in a media/journalism-related field.

This is an opportunity for residents who live in Melbourne's western suburbs.

Job title: sports journalism intern

Duration: Six months

Dates: Monday, June 1, 2026 - Friday, November 13, 2026

Stage One: Monday, June 1, 2026 - Friday, July 10, 2026 (Herald Sun)

Stage Two: Week of Monday, July 13, 2026 - week of Friday, September 4, 2026.
(Western Bulldogs)

Stage Three: Monday, September 7, 2026 - Friday November 27, 2026 (Herald Sun)

Reporting to: Patrick Horan (General Manager, Digital, Media & Communications, Western Bulldogs) and Eliza Sewell (CODE Sports Editor)

Salary: \$27.61@hour (MEAA rate for third year cadet/graduate cadet). Shift allowances to at approved rate. Superannuation to be included.

Hours: three days or 22.5 hours a week (at both sites)

Location: Herald & Weekly Times, 40 City Rd, Southbank.

Western Bulldogs, Mission Whitten Oval, 417 Barkly St, Footscray.

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Purpose of the position: to provide an opportunity for a young person interested in sports journalism – particularly AFL – to contribute to the Western Bulldogs FC digital operations, and the Herald Sun’s football (and general sport) coverage through the Herald Sun and CODE Sports websites.

Key responsibilities & duties

Writing copy for digital channels <i>(Western Bulldogs and Herald Sun)</i>
Creating content for social platforms <i>(Western Bulldogs and Herald Sun)</i>
Helping to manage media communications <i>(Western Bulldogs)</i>
Supporting VFL / VFLW coverage <i>(Western Bulldogs)</i>
Shadowing members of Comms, Social, Video, Digital and/or Design teams <i>(Western Bulldogs)</i>
Attending press conferences and events <i>(Herald Sun)</i>
Video, including first-person <i>(Herald Sun)</i>
Research, data analysis <i>(Herald Sun and Western Bulldogs)</i>

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How to apply: Send a cover letter and resume, via email, to

admin@melbournpressclub.com

Please put "Sam Landsberger Sport Journalism Fellowship" in the subject line of your email application.

Applications close at 5pm, on Friday, May 15.