

WESTERN BULLDOGS PAST PLAYERS

Newsletter May 2022

Tickets for ALL home games in Melbourne

- Due to the 2022 Marvel Stadium Redevelopment, the Past Players are using the Victory Room on level one, on the harbour side wing. Enter via Gate 7. Our reserved seats will be in Rows A G of level 1 Aisle 16.
- To obtain a free ticket which includes a reserved seat click on the link below and fill out the form.

https://forms.office.com/r/CtqrmaN9xs

- Use this link for ALL home games in Melbourne.
- You can book now for the Round 7 home game against Essendon on Sunday 1st May at 3.20pm.
- You will be able to book the remaining home games six days prior to the games.
- Tickets will be emailed by the club by the close of business two days before the game. One free ticket per membership. You must be a paid-up member of the football club and the Past Players.
- Tickets can be displayed on your smart phone to gain entry to the Stadium and the Victory Room.
- Guest tickets will cost \$45 per adult and \$25 per junior (15 or under) and the members will be called to take payment prior to the tickets being sent.
- Any questions, please email linda.west@westernbulldogs.com.au

• Memberships: If you haven't already paid your membership, please support us by paying promptly. Click here to download the Membership Form.

Kevin Hillier's Pre-match Function

- The Victory Room will be open 90 minutes before the first bounce. Kevin will interview former players and there will be a Recognition Jumper presentation. There will also be time to socialise with mates. Food available: Chef served Hot Roast Beef with salad or on crusty roll with coleslaw and gravy.
 Vegetable pasties.
- Prior to the Round 2 home game against Carlton Kevin interviewed Matthew Croft and Neil Cordy and Ted Whitten presented Ian Morrison with his Recognition Jumper Photo above right: Ted Whitten & Ian Morrison
- Prior to the Round 3 home game against Sydney Kevin interviewed Kelvin Templeton and Andrew Howlett and Mark Hunter presented Danny Delre with his Recognition Jumper.
 Photo: Danny Delre, his son Willis and Mark Hunter
- Western Bulldogs Past Players' polo shirts: Past Players' polo shirts are now available for \$65 (including GST, postage and handling). Shirts for former senior players will include their player number on the shirt at no extra charge Photo: Adam Contessa
- To order, complete the relevant section of the Membership Form. Click here to download the Membership Form.









The Two Dogs Podcast

Episode 17: Scott Wynd & Glenn Coleman.

https://omny.fm/shows/the-two-dogs-podcast/twodogs-ep302

Episode 18: Neil & Brian Cordy

https://omny.fm/shows/the-two-dogs-podcast/twodogs-ep303

Website

Our website includes:

- previous editions of the newsletter
- podcasts
- match day information

The address is:

www.westernbulldogs.com.au/pastplayers.



Kevin Hillier – one of the Dog's best recruits By ROSS BRUNDRETT



As a kid growing up in Footscray, Ross Brundrett wore Dave Darcy's no.15 on the back of his Bulldog jumper and his main claim to footballing fame was being in the same year at Kingsville Primary School as Ted Whitten jnr.

His first job as a journalist was at the Footscray Mail where he covered Bulldog games for eight years, and for a further three years at the Western Times. He later wrote for the Sunday Press before spending the last 24 years of his career as a senior feature writer and columnist for the Herald Sun.

From president lunches to corporate bashes to jumper presentations and entertaining the past players, there's been one constant at Bulldog events, and that would be Kevin Hillier on the microphone.

For almost 40 years, the veteran radio personality has been quietly serving the club in a variety of mc roles, which makes him one of the longest serving contributors at Whitten Oval today.

He does it all for the love of the club, and yet, there was a chance very early in the piece when he could have been lost to the Bulldogs and footy in general.

"I was born at Footscray Hospital, but dad (Phil) was stationed at the RAAF base and when I was three he was transferred and the family moved to Queensland ... so I never even played footy at school, there was nowhere to play it back then so I played rugby league... and soccer when my knee went on me," he explained.



Brian Cordy, Kevin Hillier & Neil Cordy

Later his dad left the air force to run his own service station up north and that's when Kevin chanced upon a career in radio. "The local station had an OB (outside broadcast van) at the service station and I remember thinking 'it's 35 degrees and I am working up a sweat pumping petrol and there is this bloke sitting on his bum in an air-conditioned booth playing records — I know which one I'd rather be doing!"

The rest, as they say, is history. A stint at radio school at 16, followed by gigs at the local radio station in Longreach, progressing to Toowoomba and the big smoke in Brisbane where his quickfire wit and dulcet tones made him a ratings winner.

By the time he was 25 he was heading back to Melbourne to head the drive

time show on 3XY (back when it still ruled the airwaves) before shifting to FM giant Fox in the mid 80s "when there was really a lot of exciting things happening in radio".

"Those years, and later when I switched to Triple M with the D-Gen were probably when my profile was at its highest, for what that's worth."

And having re-connected with Melbourne as a city, Kevin --who as a child used to pretend to be John Schultz in the backyard game of footy --soon found his way back to the kennel as well.

At first it was just the odd fundraiser where he called out the raffle winners, then Shane O'Sullivan, club CEO at the time, invited him to mc the president's lunches on game days.

His role became even bigger during the '89 Fightback and new president Peter Gordon appointed him as a media advisor to the board for 18 months.

Other roles beckoned, compering the Optus club shows, Thursday night selection previews at the social club and volunteering for all sorts of coterie group appearances and later writing for the website (also penning a book with former Bulldog coach Rodney Eade, appropriately titled Rocket Science).

Very seldom has Kevin said no to any request the club has made of him. "I was lucky for most of my radio career that I never had to work weekends, so that made me available," he said.

Over the years he has worked alongside many of the club's greatest players. On the field he enjoyed the work of Doug Hawkins and Brian Royal in particular and off the field, well the great E.J. was more than a handful. "I remember doing the big Grand Final breakfast, I think in 1985, and Neil Kerley and Ted were the special guests and I never knew what Ted was going to say next, he kept you guessing all the time.

"I always enjoyed interviewing Terry Wallace, great mind, and Rocket, who had a real good sense of humour.... and Terry Wheeler..... a ripping bloke."

Kevin has been involved with the past players ever since the club moved to Marvel Stadium. "The only difference is when we started there were three people in the room and now there are hundreds."

These days he still gets "enormous pleasure" hosting a sports show on Bay-FM each Saturday from 1-5pm as well as contributing to a variety of podcasts including the popular Life Of Brian podcast with old rocker Brian Mannix and the Two Dogs Bulldog podcast.

But you get the idea that it's rubbing shoulders with his heroes that gives him the most enjoyment.

"It's a boyhood dream, isn't it? Talking to the players you once cheered on the ground. The other day I spent with Bryan Cordy and his brother Neil and it was just fantastic... I enjoy all the chats, Roundy coming down from Queensland, Bernie Quinlan, Laurie Sandilands, all of them. It's not really working, the way I look at it."

"For a fanboy, it's so much fun."

Kelvin Templeton – Welcome to the West

143 Games (1974-82); 494 Goals; guernsey number 31

Also played 34 games & kicked 99 goals for Melbourne (1983-85)

By NEIL CORDY



Neil Cordy played 235 VFL/AFL games with Footscray and the Sydney Swans. After his AFL career Neil coached and played for East Sydney. He worked for Network Ten for 15 years as a reporter/presenter and on their AFL coverage. He was the AFL Editor for the Daily Telegraph from 2011 to 2018 and is currently a member of ABC Grandstand's AFL broadcast team.

There was no sweet talking or pleasantries when a 16 year old Kelvin Templeton broke bread with Footscray President Dick Collinson.

There was serious business to be discussed, the sign-on fee.

It was 1973 and KT had just booted 104 goals from only 15 games for Traralgon in the highly regarded Latrobe Valley competition. It was a phenomenal performance from a kid who was just 70kg wringing wet and no physical match for some of the toughest footballers in the country.

The lunch was at Collinson's Court House Hotel in Nicholson St in the heart of Footscray. The Dogs' president was an intimidating presence and he was on his home turf. The official accompanying Kelvin from Traralgon was no match for his Bulldogs counterpart.

"Dick was a pretty fierce character and by the end of the lunch the bloke from Traralgon who was with me was intimidated by him and barely spoke a word," Kelvin said.

"He wasn't game to bring up the subject of a signing on fee. So it was up to me to bring up the subject of the signing on fee. When I did bring it up Dick looked at me and said "What do you fucking want?"

"I was 16 and the only thing I knew about negotiation was from watching TV. I remember seeing somewhere if you wanted one egg you asked for two. Then you can negotiate down. I was looking for two and half grand so I asked for five grand.

"Dick said well you can fuck off home then because you're in our zone and you can't play for anyone else."

As it happened the sign on fee did come a few months later in the form of a brand new Valiant Charger which was worth about \$2,500.

"It was worth bringing it up at lunch, even though I got that initial rebuff," Kelvin said.

"The only problem was I couldn't drive because I was too young.

"The Charger was just parked in the driveway. I would sit in it at night and listen to the radio."

VICTORIA PARK DEBUT

Of all the places to make your debut Collingwood's home ground at Victoria Park would have been at the bottom of any list of preferences. Vic Park was undoubtedly the most hostile of venues in VFL/AFL history.

But that was where KT found himself for his first game and it didn't take long to find out things were as tough on the field as they were off it.

"Playing at Victoria Park was an experience to say the least," Kelvin said.

"I got a whack behind the ear about 10 minutes into the first quarter from Len Thompson. The ball was coming forward and he came from behind me and gave me a whack. It was the best thing for

me because it didn't hurt me and I got my first goal from five metres out."

"It cleared my head. From then on I was right."

KT ended up with six for the day. It was a stellar performance in anyone's book but especially at the Magpies home ground.

The rough treatment from Len Thompson was par for the course in the 1970s which was arguably the most brutal period in modern football.

Kelvin Templeton & Garry Baker at the 2019 Seventies Reunion

LATROBE VALLEY TOUGHER THAN VFL

Kelvin was still only 17 years old and was

well under 80 kg but wasn't intimidated by the rough stuff thanks mainly to his year playing senior football for Traralgon.

"The year of senior football I had in the Latrobe Valley League was probably harder than any I played in the VFL," Templeton.

"It was a very physical competition and I copped a lot of treatment that year because it was a tough league.

I was knocked out behind the play against Warragul. I was so concussed I almost walked into their rooms at half time.

It was a rough year and having dealt with that I felt comfortable at a senior level in the VFL."

PHYS ED APPLIED TO FOOTY

At the same time as Kelvin was starting out his football career he was also studying Physical Education at FIT (Footscray Institute of Technology- now Victoria University).

It was a popular course for many of the Bulldogs players at the time. Peter Welsh, Geoff Jennings and Terry Wheeler were also studying the same course. Myself and Brian Cordy arrived a few years later.

The knowledge Kelvin and his team mates were acquiring was being applied instantly to their football careers. KT used it to straighten out his kicking.



Kelvin Templeton & Kevin Hillier

"I remember going to the lab at FIT when I was having some problems with my kicking for goal," Kelvin said.

"After studying the video for 30 seconds it was clear the problem was the ball drop and the hand placement. Once that adjustment was made the problem was solved."

Kelvin's accuracy improved dramatically in 1976 when he had a breakout season kicking 82 goals from 23 games. It won him the first of five consecutive Bulldogs goal kicking awards. He was still only 19 and his career was about to go into overdrive.

1978-1980 TWO COLEMAN'S AND A BROWNLOW

1978 would be the start of a stellar run for Kelvin. He booted 118 goals to claim his first Coleman Medal. It included 15.9 in the round 13 game against St Kilda. He brought his ton up at his happy hunting ground Victoria Park.

"There weren't that many Bulldogs fans on the ground because we were at Vic Park," Kelvin said.

"It wasn't anything like what we saw with Buddy a couple of weeks ago. One thing I remember about playing there was playing on Billy Picken (Father of Bulldogs premiership player Liam).

"Bill is a lovely guy and he would talk to himself during the game," Kelvin said.

"I would never talk to my opponent but Bill liked to, he was a fantastic bloke and a great player."

He won his next Coleman Medal the following year kicking 91 goals from 22 matches.

While Kelvin was kicking plenty of goals they were coming from fewer and fewer opportunities so in 1980 coach Royce Hart moved him to Centre Half Forward.

It was stunning success with Kelvin kicking 75 goals and hauling in 188 marks for the season. Royce was the best Centre Half Forward of a generation so Kelvin learned from the best.

"At training Royce would join in kick to kick," Kelvin said

"I watched him one night and took some mental notes. When I got home I wrote down six things Royce did.

"The etiquette was the big guys went for the marks and the little guys got the crumbs. Royce had a technique where if he was out of position he would pull an arm down of the player who was going to mark the ball. The ball would spill and he would pick it up.

"Another was the way he would run back with the flight and turn at the last minute.

"It's illegal now of course but I used the arm knock a couple of weeks later when I was playing on Peter Knights (Hawthorn). I was able at the last second to knock his shoulder and pick up the ball. That was learning directly from Royce.

"We only won five games that year so it was a mental challenge under those circumstances, but I was in great shape. I also enjoyed the challenge of playing on the best defenders like Peter Knights, Bruce Doull and Ross Glendenning."

AFL HALL OF FAME

Remarkably Kelvin isn't in the AFL Hall of Fame.

Why is anyone's guess.

Only four players in the history of the game have won the Brownlow Medal and the Coleman Medal. Tony Lockett, Bernie Quinlan and Malcolm Blight have done it and are all in the Hall of Fame, Lockett and Blight are Legends.

Kelvin was the first of the four to achieve the feat but still remains on the outer.

"My understanding is it's been put up and been rejected," Kelvin said.

"I believe it's been put up a couple of times but was knocked back both times.

"It's certainly disappointing but there's not much I can do about it, it seems to be the final decision."

There is no doubt the Hall of Fame is not complete without Kelvin's presence. Fortunately, he's not letting it bother him too much and is getting on with life. He has even written a novel which is expected to be published later this year.

He lives in Melbourne with his daughter Kirby (27). His younger daughter, Kiki (23) is living and working in London.

Owen Madigan – Bulldog for life

7 games (1961-62); guernsey number 36. Also played 40 games for Richmond 1963-66

By MICHAEL STEVENS



After a short stint playing Under-19s and reserves with Footscray in the 1960s, Michael Stevens completed a cadetship at the Footscray Mail before starting a long career in sports journalism, which ended in 2007 after 27 years at the Herald Sun. Owen Madigan, who celebrated his 80th birthday on April 4, was always destined to be a Footscray player so it's no wonder his involvement with the club continues unabated.

Nowadays that involvement is as secretary of the Bulldogs Past Players, a post he has held since 2002, but it started as a youngster walking to games at Whitten Oval from his Cuming Street, Yarraville home.

In those days, the Bulldogs connection stemmed from his mother's brother Norm Chisholm playing 29 games with the club between 1942-43.

Originally playing with Yarraville YCW, Madigan started with the Footscray Thirds in 1956, where he played 50 games and won the best and fairest in 1959 and continued with the Reserves (60 games between 1958-62, including the best and fairest in 1961 and a premiership in 1962).

At 179cm and 76kg, Madigan had to bide his time before getting a senior opportunity and that came in 1961, at the age of 19, against Geelong, but in his own words, he was out of his depth.

"I was tried as a rover and to be honest, it wasn't my best game," he said.

Madigan played six more senior games in 1962, but having to compete with Ray Walker and Charlie Evans for a back pocket role, meant opportunities were limited.

He was still on the list in 1963, until a fateful day in May when he turned up for training, only to be met at the door by then club President Jim Miller.

"He said 'You don't play here anymore' and wouldn't let me in, and so I turned around and went home."

The bitter pill of being delisted was tempered somewhat when he found coach Ted Whitten waiting for him outside his house.

"I told him to piss off, but Ted said he felt I should be in his side and had made arrangements for me to go to Richmond," Madigan said.

With the Tigers, Madigan's senior career flourished to the extent he was given the No. 11 guernsey and he played 24 of his 40 games at Punt Road consecutively between 1963 and 1966, he also won the Tigers' reserves best and fairest in 1965.

Ironically, his first and last senior games with the Tigers were against South Melbourne the first in round 13, on August 3, 1963, and the last in round 17, on August 20, 1966.

But again fate wasn't in Madigan's favor as far as a VFL career was concerned.

"I did a pre-season in 1967, but when I went to the Tigers I had told secretary Graeme Richmond not to do what Footscray did, and if my time was up to come and tell me," he



Simon Beasley & Owen Madigan

recalled.

"He said to me that Roger Dean was getting old and they wanted to try him in the back pocket, and Dean being a Richmond boy would get preference over a Footscray 'reject'."

"I could have stayed and played in the reserves, but that would have been for only \$9 a week, so I opted to go to Williamstown, where I would be paid \$80 a week."

"I also had offers to go coaching and all sorts of things, but I had a good job in Melbourne, so that was it."

After Williamstown, Madigan had a stint with Burwood in the Southeastern Football League, but a broken arm in the Grand Final against Oakleigh finished his football career at the age of 28.

During his time with the Bulldogs, Madigan also was part of a group called the Ocker Rockers with teammates Ian Bryant, Graeme Chalmers and the Ion bothers Graham, Doug and Barry.

The group was formed during an end of season trip to Queensland, but Madigan says the group's tenure was short-lived because only Barry Ion was a musician and could sing.

A chance meeting with club secretary Kevin Webb led to Madigan's involvement with the past players and his role as secretary.

Looking remarkably fit for his age, Madigan was stricken with a bout of bowel cancer at 63, which required part of his bowl to be removed, and then five years ago, also had his prostate removed after being diagnosed with cancer.

In recent times, he and wife of 57 years, Kerri, had a sea change from Boronia to St Leonards, and he is looking forward to a round-Australia caravan trip in his New Age caravan, which he hasn't been able to use for the past two years because of the Covid-19 pandemic.

Player Mentoring Program – intent and purpose

By ILIJA GRGIC - WBPP&O Committeeman

Hello Past Players and Officials, a quick snapshot of a new initiative that the WBPPA and WBFFC Football Department have been working on which may be of interest. One of the Committee's recent discussion points has been how do we remain relevant and supportive to the on-going

operations of the club beyond advocacy and membership? Well one of the areas we decided could be of benefit was to introduce a WBPPA mentoring program to our first and second year draft picks. The intention of this was to hopefully assist with connecting first and second year draftees with past players who have more or less been through the system and can provide



Jamarra Ugle-Hagan with his mentor Ted Whitten

insights into specific experiences. This is purely a volunteer initiative and up to the Mentor/Mentee to create a relationship outside of their Club and Player Managers, etc that a current player may be able to utilise WBPPA Mentors experiences. A lot of large organisations have this type of mentoring program and we believed as a committee this could certainly help the Mentees (players) as well as the Past Player Mentors.

The charter of the program was very specific and bound by a set of expectations and behaviours – crucially the Mentors are not coaches or football advisors, we were to be there as general life experience coaches that can and would share openly what Mentors had been through not only during their football careers, but post football as well and hopefully provide some different snippets that can help the Mentees navigate through the challenging aspects of being an AFL Footballer in 2021/2022 +.

On a personal level and being part of this program, it has given me an insight into the ways of a modern footballer, it has also shown me that not every draftee has a team of player managers, life coaches, etc. at their disposal and that this is a further avenue that the PPA can give back to the club and remain relevant beyond being one of the clubs biggest group of supporters.

We are about to work through the next group of Mentor/Mentee pairings and certainly see this as an additional and exciting aspect of how the continue to interact with the club. Last year's program kicked-off exceptionally well and we try to connect players with a common thread of some sort to their mentees, jumper number, country town, interests, etc. which certainly helps to create a different level of connection.

Look forward to sharing more of this program in the future, but more importantly seeing these young men becoming even better WB citizens!

Geoff Jennings – Golf now on par

By MICHAEL STEVENS

Geoff Jennings was dogged by persistent groin injuries throughout his stellar 137-game career with the Bulldogs between 1974-83.

He also had a shoulder reconstruction in his first season and an ankle reconstruction in his second, both causing him to play only seven games in his first two seasons.

Ironically, Jennings never had a knee injury, so it came as a surprise to hear he had dual knee replacements about 12 months ago, under the auspices of the AFL Players Association Lifetime Healthcare Program.



Geoff Jennings & family at the 2021 Pre-match Function on the Gold Coast

Now well on the road to recovery, Jennings said it was more of a case of his knees wearing out because he was always bandy legged.

"I was always bandy," he said. "My legs were never straight and I even had an operation in 2005 to straighten one leg out.

"That had a slight impact, but I was struggling to get around the golf course, so I decided to take the plunge.

"Some people said it was foolhardy to have both knees done at once, but

it has worked out well, although they are still not bending as much as I would like."

And Jennings could not speak highly enough of the support he had from the AFLPA, who covered his out-of-pocket expenses to the tune of \$8000.

"I kept wanting to put off having my knees done, but they urged me to go ahead and were very supportive," he said.

"It's nice to be injury-free now and I wouldn't change anything."

Captain of the Bulldogs between 1979-81, Jennings retired from the VFL just before the start of the 1984 season and then had a few years as captain-coach of Wilson-Grange in the QAFL.

He says he has been living almost a reclusive lifestyle in Brisbane in recent years but has very fond memories of his time at the Whitten Oval.

"The club was awesome," he said. "They supported me all the way. We trained hard and we played hard."

With that in mind he hopes to catch with a few old teammates with a planned trip to Melbourne in the coming weeks.

Player Welfare

We strongly recommend past players join the AFLPA Alumni.

Benefits include:

- up to \$500 refund on excess payments when in hospital, if you are in a private health fund
- up to \$8000 refund for extra operation charges should you require surgery on body joints, including damaged teeth
- an opportunity to seek funds from the Geoff Pryor Fund or an Injury and Hardship fund in the event of suffering financial hardship.



The one-off joining fee is \$50. To join, contact Chris Smith at AFLPA on 0400 019 391 or csmith@aflplayers.com.au.

Tim Harrington (WB #805, 1989–90), pictured with Mitch Hannan at the 2021 Recruits Dinner, is the AFL Players' Association Football Operations Manager and Head of Alumni.

2022 Events Calendar

Friday 29 April		AFLCPP Golf Day at Settlers Run Golf Course
		Click for details
		Click to register
		(Contact Jack Slattery: 0425 746 148)
Friday 6 May v Port Adelaide		4.30pm at Strathmore Hotel North Terrace
		Adelaide
		<u>Click for details</u>
		(Contact Darren Grant WBPP SA Coordinator
		0413 679 596)
Weekend of 27 May v West Coast	TBC	Pre-match Function in Perth
		(Contact Jason Duff 0421 782 404)
Weekend of 1 July v Brisbane	TBC	Pre-match Function near the Gabba
		(Contact Geoff Jennings: 0408 770 659 or Neil
		Cordy 0419 116 315)
Sunday 6 November	11:00am	AGM venue TBC
	12:00noon	End of Year Lunch same venue as the AGM
Sunday 20 November	9:30am	AFLCPP Bowls Day at Altona Bowls Club
		(Contact Len Cumming: 0418 374 079)

Congratulations! 80th birthday



lan Bryant (left) WB #481 160 games, 1960-69 All-Australian 1966

Immediate Past President Wester Bulldogs Past Players & Officials

Graeme Taylor WB #493 2 games, 1961-62

Merv Hobbs (right) WB #494 74 games 1961-65



Niels Becker (left with John Schultz circa1995) WB #502 10 games, 1962-63

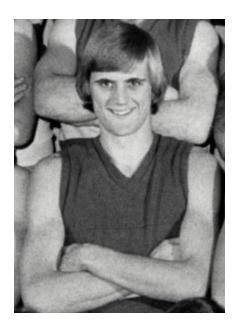
Read Niels Becker's story in the July 2020 Newsletter

70th birthday



Max O'Halloran WB #613 13 games, 1972-74 Also played 5 games for Carlton in 1974

Grant Simmons (right) WB #591 30 games 1970-76





Colin DellWB #600
66 games 1971-77

Graeme Austin (right) WB #587 50 games, 1970-74



40th birthday



Robert Murphy
WB #887
312 games, 183 goals 2000-17
WBFC Captain 2015-17
All-Australian team 2011, 2015 (Capt)

Also

Jack Slattery

Life Member of AFL Combined Past Players

Jack Slattery (left) with Ray Walker, George Bisset and Owen

Madigan in April 2022





Linda West

WBFC Group Relationships Manager 10 Year Certificate of Service

Sarah and Clay Smith and Scott and Linda West at the 2018 End of Year Function



Josh Carter (formerly Josh Hill)

On his marriage to Joanne

Josh Carter (right) with Scott West, Jarrod Harbrow and Jason Akermanis at the Wedding Reception



Vale - Alan Trusler

Alan passed away on 9^{th} April. He was 88. He played 16 games between 1953-55 and kicked 22 goals. Our sincere condolences to Alan's family and friends.

2022 Committee

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Western Bulldogs Past Players on Facebook

We will be using Facebook more to communicate information to former players and officials. It is a closed group. If you are not a member, please go to Western Bulldogs Past Players on Facebook and request to 'Join Group'.

Western Bulldogs Community Foundation

More than just a football club, the Western Bulldogs have a long and proud history as the community club of the AFL; delivering community programs with real outcomes.

The Community Foundation works closely with the club and utilises the Bulldogs brand as a platform to engage with a wide range of participants, helping them reach their full potential and ensuring they are accepted regardless of their gender, race or faith. The foundation celebrates diversity as an integral part of a united and cohesive community and aims to engage with multicultural, Indigenous and all-abilities communities via innovative programs.

While, like our players, our community can be courageous, strong and resilient, some members of the community do find the need for support to guide them towards finding the strength they need to face life's challenges. The club is proud that the Western Bulldogs Community Foundation is able to offer this support.

Find out more about the Community Foundation at www.westernbulldogs.com.au/Foundation or via social media @WBFCFoundation. If you are interested in donating to the Community Foundation please email fundraising@westernbulldogs.com.au.