

MELBOURNE PRESS CLUB QUILLS 2013 SHORTLIST

BEST COVERAGE OF AN ISSUE OR EVENT

LOUISE MILLIGAN, ABC “Jill Meagher and the Victorian Parole System”

For an interview with Tom Meagher, husband of murder victim Jill Meagher.

ELLEN WHINNETT, Herald Sun, “Take A Stand”

For a campaign about family violence.

RICHARD BAKER, NICK MCKENZIE, CAROLINE WILSON, JAKE NIAL, SAMANTHA LANE, The Age, “Essendon Football Club drugs scandal”

For breaking news, investigative journalism, commentary and analysis.

SARAH FARNSWORTH, ABC “The Jill Meagher Case”

For coverage of the criminal case against Adrian Ernest Bayley, Jill Meagher’s killer.

YOUNG JOURNALIST OF THE YEAR

TOM MINEAR, Herald Sun

For a portfolio of work ranging from breaking news to colour stories.

ASHLYNNE McGHEE, ABC

For a range of reporting including an interview with Community Services Minister Jenny Macklin about living on the dole.

ASHLEY ARGOON, Herald Sun

For a portfolio of work including the coverage of mental health issues and an exclusive interview with Tania Hird.

ALEXIS DAISH, Nine News

For breaking news including an interview with a nurse talking about abuse in hospitals.

GRANT HATTAM QUILL AWARD FOR INVESTIGATIVE JOURNALISM

NICK MCKENZIE, RICHARD BAKER, The Age, “The Leighton Files”

For reports on alleged corruption on a grand scale at Leighton Holdings.

LOUISE MILLIGAN, 7:30 ABC, “Dysfunction in the Police Force”

For reports on widespread bullying in Victoria Police.

NICK MCKENZIE, RICHARD BAKER, The Age, “Bikes & Police”

For investigative pieces exposing corruption inside Victoria Police.

JAMES CAMPBELL, Herald Sun, “Secret Tapes Bombshell”

For his reports on secret tapes that culminated in the resignation of Premier Ted Baillieu.

BEST SPORTS NEWS STORY IN ANY MEDIUM

DAMIAN BARRETT, Nine News, “Essendon Drug Saga”

For the first news break on the Essendon drugs scandal.

RICHARD BAKER, NICK MCKENZIE, The Age, “Hird Injected Drugs”

For reports revealing which drugs Essendon players were given and the claim that James Hird had been injected.

CARO MELDRUM-HANNA, 7:30 ABC, “The Sports Supplements Scandal”

For an interview with Essendon sports scientist, Stephen Dank.

MICHAEL WARNER, MARK ROBINSON, Herald Sun, “Night of Crisis”

For reporting on conflicting accounts of contact between AFL chief executive Andrew Demetriou and Bombers chairman David Evans in February 2013.

BEST BUSINESS STORY IN ANY MEDIUM

ADELE FERGUSON, CHRIS VEDELAGO, The Age, “Profit above all else: how CBA lost savings and hid its tracks”

For exposing fraud among a group of Commonwealth Bank financial planners that hurt many clients.

FIONA HUDSON, Herald Sun “Grand Fee”

For revealing details of the financial contract between the Victorian Government and the Grand Prix operators.

NICK MCKENZIE, RICHARD BAKER, BENTLY DEAN, ABC1, Four Corners and The Age, “RBA and Saddam”

For further reporting on the Reserve Bank banknote scandal.

STEPHEN DRILL, Herald Sun, “Boss paid \$1 million in one day”

For exposing a major fraud against Victorian nursing home residents.

BEST BREAKING NEWS COVERAGE

NINE NEWS TEAM, Nine Network, “Ted Resigns”

For their late night special bulletin covering the change of leadership of the Victorian Government.

MATT JOHNSON, JAMES CAMPBELL, ANNIKA SMETHURST, MICHELLE AINSWORTH, MITCHELL TOY, Herald Sun, “Ted Resigns”

For their online and print coverage of the resignation of Ted Baillieu.

BRENDAN DONOHOE, Seven News, “The Baillieu Bombshell”

For his coverage of the rapidly unfolding demise of Premier Baillieu.

GUY STAYNER, ABC, “Paul Dale”

For breaking news coverage of the perjury trial of former detective Paul Dale.

BEST TV OR VIDEO NEWS REPORT

BRENDAN ROBERTS, Seven News, “Puneet Puneet First Interview”

For coverage ahead of the first court appearance of killer driver Puneet Puneet.

EMMA O’SULLIVAN, Network Ten, “Killer Dying”

For reporting on one of Australia’s worst serial killers, Derek Percy, and his impending death.

DANIEL OAKES, ABC, “Man says he ran over Melbourne schoolgirl Siriyakorn 'Bung' Siriboon”

For his reporting on the arrest of a suspect in the Siriyakorn 'Bung' Siriboon case.

MARK O’BRIEN, DERMOT O’BRIEN, Network Ten, “Jill Meagher’s Parents Exclusive Interview”

For the first intimate interview with Jill Meagher's parents.

BEST NEWS REPORT IN WRITING

JORDAN OLIVER, Ballarat Courier, "Two Days Too Late"

For his reporting on Victoria's parole system, including the Jill Meagher case.

PATRICIA KARVELAS, The Australian, "Radical Transformation of Aboriginal Australia"

For reporting on crucial changes by the Abbott Government impacting the lives of indigenous Australians.

MICHAEL WARNER, MARK ROBINSON, CHIP LE GRAND, Herald Sun and The Australian, "The Secret AFL Offer"

For their reports on the AFL negotiations to settle the Essendon drugs scandal.

STEPHEN DRILL, Herald Sun, "Bet millions owed"

For exposure of one of Australia's largest ever Ponzi schemes.