



CPISTRA Volunteer Sports Journalists

CPISTRA is the leading international sports body governing and promoting sport and recreation for people with Cerebral Palsy (CP) throughout the World. CPISTRA is a founding member of the Paralympics. It is an innovative organisation of members and volunteers performing a number of roles that;

- Promote the value of sport and recreation for those with cerebral palsy or a related neurological condition
- Facilitate international sports opportunities from grassroots to elite, including the delivery of CPISTRA Regional Events and CPISTRA World Games.
- Develop new and adaptive recreation and sports. For example, Boccia and CP Football are Paralympic sports that were both developed to International Sports Federations by CPISTRA.
- Advocate for CP athletes across sports in supporting competition in a “fair” environment.
- Encourage research into CP exercise, well-being, recreation and sport.

CPISTRA is commencing an exciting phase in its evolution and is expanding its scope, activities, events and membership.

Role Summary:

CPISTRA is looking to recruit **Volunteer Sports Journalists** to research and produce news stories for CPISTRA’s website, write athlete profiles, report on CP athlete performances at a number of international disability sport events and follow the Paralympic Games journey of selected CP athletes. Research and produce content for CPISTRA’s website, articles for publication and media releases. There are many areas in which quality investigative journalism could be a catalyst for life changing opportunities.

Journalists of any age are encouraged to apply for this opportunity.

The selected person will be home-based.

Although the position is unpaid, the experience you will receive is invaluable and the contribution you will make immense.

Key responsibilities:

- Write news and features for a specific sport/event, interview athletes, coaches, officials and researchers. Content will appear on CPISRA.org as well as international sports federation websites and shared as press releases.
- Investigate and write articles and features relevant to CPISRA's role that will be of interest or benefit to CPISRA's CP Community, as well as inform, influence, educate or promote to wider communities.
- Keep a close watch on what's happening in disability recreation and sport throughout the year.
- Potential to cover an event, seminar or project in person if there is one near your hometown.
- Work closely with CPISRA Volunteer Writers.

Candidates will need:

- Strong writing and reporting skills, as well as keen attention to detail.
- Pursuing or having a degree in journalism, public relations or a media and communications related field is desirable.
- The ability to recognise a strong news story and be able to adapt to different styles of writing.
- A general understanding and interest in sport, competitions and recreation.
- To be flexible and be able to write and report on tight deadlines.
- To be familiar with social and digital media, such as Facebook, Twitter and YouTube.

Want to apply?

If you are interested and meet our requirements, send your CV and cover letter (English) to CPISRA at info@cpisra.org

If you have any further questions, do not hesitate to contact us or see further information about CPISRA on our website at www.cpisra.org