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**Please note that this is a voluntary role.**

**Role:** Beat Writer

**Competition:** British Basketball League

**Team:** Birmingham Knights

### **Role description**

To represent UKAmericanSportsFans.com, as the main writer with responsibility for team coverage on the site. To provide regular content including, game previews, game reports and player and coach interviews as well as working with colleagues to produce regular writer round-table features.

### **Key activities**

- To attend all the home games your team plays in the 2013/14 season.
- To provide a short summary of the game within 90 minutes of the final buzzer.
- To provide a short report of the game within 24 hours of the final buzzer.
- To coordinate home game previews with the visiting team beat writer.
- To contribute to game previews as the visiting team's beat writer.
- To contribute to a weekly 'Team of the week' feature
- Player and coach interviews.
- To contribute to round-table features.

### **Skills and experience**

#### **Essential**

- Excellent writing skills including an ability to write in an engaging style.



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- Good communication skills.
- Good time management.

## Desirable

- Ideally you will be working towards a career in sports journalism by studying for an undergraduate sports journalism degree or you are a recent graduate.
- Experience of working to deadlines.
- Experience of writing for online.
- Experience of interviewing others.

## **Why this role?**

This role will give you the experience of being part of a brand that provides the most regular, up to date and in-depth coverage of the British Basketball League (official league site notwithstanding) in the UK. You will gain invaluable experience of working to deadline on your own and with a team to provide competition wide coverage. You will gain experience of interviewing others and will make key contacts within the British Basketball League.

Press accreditation may be awarded after a successful 3 month trial period.

## **How to apply**

Please send a 300-500 word original article on a relevant topic as if you were producing copy for the site. Please also include a few paragraphs about yourself and why you would like to do the role.

Email your application to: [info@ukamericansportsfans.com](mailto:info@ukamericansportsfans.com)