

2025 Bon Ton Roulet Volunteer Roles



VOLUNTEER INFORMATION

Volunteer Process:

The volunteer application will open in January, and positions will begin to be assigned in March. Positions will continue to be filled up to the start of the ride as there are often last-minute cancellations and changes. Once we open the application process, you may apply using the link at the bottom of this page. Both riders and non-riding participants can volunteer to help during the ride. Volunteers who commit to the entire tour will either ride for free or have the cost pro-rated, depending on the role and time commitment of that role. If applicants outnumber the jobs, then a waiting list will be formed to fill any positions that open up between March and the ride.

Time Commitments:

Time commitments vary between the different jobs. Each job will list the commitment required. 1. Volunteers who commit to the entire tour are eligible to ride at no cost, job duties permitting. Dorm rooms are not included.

2. Volunteers who commit to part of the week can stay for the full week and ride for a pro-rated rate based on the number of days committed to; dorm rooms are not included.

VOLUNTEER POSITIONS

Ground Site Crew/Luggage

JOB DESCRIPTION

- Starts at 6am (depending on truck assignment) and ends when all luggage is loaded.
- Assist with loading of luggage onto truck in the morning and unloading of luggage in the afternoon.
- Help load coolers with ice and re-stock as needed.
- Assist with the set-up of tents, chairs, garbage cans, signs, etc.
- May need to drive a 26ft truck.

Information Tent Volunteer

JOB DESCRIPTION

- Can work either 6-8am or 1-5pm (or both).
- Help set-up information tent in the afternoon and take down the following morning.
- Staff information tent until last rider is out.

- Become familiar with the site prior to the arrival of the riders so that you can adequately answer questions.

- Place signage as necessary.
- Miscellaneous tasks as necessary to help facilitate the tour experience.

<u> Truck Drivers – Rest Stop</u>

JOB DESCRIPTION

- Rest stop crew works in teams of 2 volunteers per truck to supply and oversee the morning and

afternoon rest stops.

- Rest stop crew drives a small box truck (16 foot) out to rest stops with supplies.

- Support the stop by organizing the truck, getting supplies, picking up leftovers, removing trash and cleaning up when the rest stop closes.

- Finish approximately 4pm.

Truck Drivers – Site Crew

JOB DESCRIPTION

- Depart site daily at 6am to arrive by 11am at the next overnight location.

- Upon arrival, coordinate with Ride Director the location of luggage and in inclement weather, work with ground site crew to place tarps over luggage to protect from rain.

- Members of this team must be willing and able to drive a 26-foot or smaller rental truck from one overnight site to the next.

SAG Drivers

JOB DESCRIPTION

Please note: a cell phone is required for this position

- Valid US driver's license.

- Cruise the route (use own vehicle) under the direction of the SAG Director and provide help when needed.

- Transport riders when necessary, provide basic first aid (kit provided), travel with water supply (provided).

- After-hours transportation of bicyclists may be necessary in an emergency situation or unusual circumstance.

- May be asked to perform wine pick-up duties.

- Keep SAG Director advised of status.

- Each SAG driver has a 6-hour shift each day. Shifts begin at 6am; first shift drives entire long route to check markings and identify construction areas, road closures or other hazardous road conditions and then SAGs back to first rest stop. Other SAG drivers begin at half-hour intervals, as coordinated by the SAG Director.

- Follow safe driving practices.

It is helpful for SAG drivers to have a general knowledge of bicycle mechanics and the ability to perform basic fixes such as patching a flat.

Route Markings Checkers

JOB DESCRIPTION

- Team of two that leave as early as possible (by bicycle) to check the marks on the road to ensure that they are still clearly visible and plainly marked.

- Team splits up where regular and long routes diverge and rejoin each other when the routes merge.

- Each rider carries one can of paint to mark the roads (if needed).

- Supplement and/or repaint the marks as necessary to ensure riders stay on course.

- Communicate any potential hazards or closures to Ride Director.

Physician/Nurse/EMT

JOB DESCRIPTION

Please note: cell phone required for this position

- Help with medical needs particularly in the afternoon and evening.
- On-call throughout the day, stopping at AM and PM rest stops to see if any assistance is needed.

Bicycle SAG

JOB DESCRIPTION

Please note: a cellphone is required for this position

- Bicycle SAGs serve as BTR ambassadors; they are expected to get to know the riders, notify appropriate staff or volunteers when emergencies arise, carry basic first aid and patch kits (supplied) and know how to use them, take notes about the route attractions we should promote and about problem areas so that we can improve future events.

- Bicycle SAGs work in 3 teams of at least 2 riders throughout the day, whatever is needed to cover the course.

- Team 1 leaves early and rides to the AM rest stop where they greet riders and address any mechanical, physical, or logistical issues by communicating with the Ride Director. Team 1 leaves the AM rest stop when Team 2 arrives. Team 1 then rides to the PM rest stop where they greet riders and address any mechanical, physical, or logistical issues by communicating with the Ride Director. Team 1 leaves the PM rest stop when Team 2 arrives.

- Team 2 leaves mid-morning and rides to the AM rest stop where they greet riders and address any mechanical, physical, or logistical issues by communicating with the Ride Director. Team 2 leaves the AM rest stop when Team 3 arrives.

- Team 3 (sweep) leaves with the last riders and rides to the AM rest stop. Team 3 is responsible for knowing approximately where the back of the pack riders are and keeping the SAG Director informed as to their location throughout the day. Team 3 stops at each of the rest stops to allow for the last riders to pass them.

- Schedules and specific duties will be assigned by the SAG Director.

Yoga Instructor

JOB DESCRIPTION

- Certified by a nationally accredited organization in group exercise/yoga.

- Provide cycling-specific stretching, breathwork, and education each afternoon and evening via gentle to moderate-level classes in 20-30-minute sessions.

- Ideally offer a morning pre-ride session as well as an afternoon post-ride session.

Roles that only require a partial-day commitment may be combined with other partial-day positions if desired.