

Sweep Volunteer

Qualifications:

- Self-Motivated.
- Reliable and responsible.
- Safe and courteous driving skills.
- People skills a plus.

Responsibilities:

- Assist and transport if necessary, ride participants and bikes for those who may need it, to the next SAG location, or to the end of the route for the day.
- Drive the route completely, and assist as needed, until the last cyclist is in for the day.
- Provide water as needed to ride participants.
- Provide bike tubes, and pumps to stranded cyclists if needed.
- Carry first aid equipment to provide as needed.
- Public Relations – Encourage, support and socialize with the riders.
- Attend nightly dinner/rider or staff meetings if applicable.
- May need to perform “Shuttle Runs” when needed.
- Assist with signage placements or retrievals as directed.
- Assist Baggage Handler as directed.

Compensation:

- Meals and lodging while on a ride or a tour.
- Fuel reimbursement for rented vehicle, mileage reimbursement for personal vehicle.
- GABA Bucks (determined by the number of day(s), and according to the GABA Buck Policy).

Daily Sweep Routine For Overnight and Century Rides

- Wait until all riders have left town before starting out.
- Count riders on the way to SAG 1, stay at that SAG for a short time or until the last of the riders makes it to that location.
- Double-back if it seems to be taking them awhile. There may be someone in need of assistance.
- If you are the last person behind all riders, pick up GABA cones or board signs.
- If a SAG driver needs help in taking down a canopy, give a hand before continuing on to the next stop.
- Continue this process until the end of the day.
- All riders must be accounted for before the job is complete at day's end.
- Suggestions for successful "sweeping":
 1. If a cyclist feels they can no longer ride "at the moment" – take them as far as the next SAG location. This will give them a chance to rest, and possibly do the remainder of the ride from that point.
 2. If a cyclist feels they can no longer ride at all that day, or they have had a problem with their bike, which prevents them from riding – they will obviously need to get to the end of the day location. If you are not close to the end of the day location, and your services are still needed on the road, you may either try to find another form of transportation (i.e. bag or sag driver headed in that direction). Or you can have them wait at one of the SAG locations until you are done sweeping up to that spot, and take them on from there.
 3. Keep track of your riders! Count them from one SAG stop to the next.