



To the Mule Days Volunteer Family:

We are so excited to let you know that Bishop Mule Days is a go! We are excited but it is also daunting that the event will be happening in 35 days. We do have to abide by COVID Protocol as we all have been this last year and we appreciate your participation. Mask wearing will be mandatory on the Tri-County Fairgrounds and there will be temperatures taken on entry to buildings and the arenas. Thanks to an Inyo County Resiliency Grant there will be sanitation stations throughout the grounds, new equipment allowing us to sanitize stands between shows and additional supplies such as masks, gloves, etc. to follow the COVID Protocols in place during Mule Days. All tickets will be "Will Call" at the front ticket booth as we are required to get a COVID release signed by all in attendance. We are following the State of California guidelines and are very aware that as the first large event to open in California we are under much scrutiny. Our actions will show that we are very sincere in our efforts to have a safe event. As you may imagine all these additional COVID Protocol's require additional volunteers but we feel it is so important to get back to some form of normal activity and bring business back to the Owen's Valley. Our attendees love Bishop Mule Days and the Eastern Sierra and they expressed their excitement and expectation to us on the phone letting us know how much they have missed the event and just being outdoors!

It is of the utmost importance right now that we know how many volunteers are available to help us this year – especially since time is so short. Please respond to this email with:

Name: _____ Committee: _____

Yes, I am available to volunteer!

No, I am not available to volunteer.

We would like to welcome Jacqueline as our new Volunteer Chairman! Please direct any new volunteers to her at volunteer@muledays.org she will get their information and connect them with a committee of their choice.

COVID has affected Bishop Mule Days much as it has the rest of the business community. We are functioning on a shoestring budget as we have done two years on one year's income and therefore, we are very restricted in the activities that we can put on and the capacity allowed in the stands. The Opening Night Supper, Concert, BBQ and Dance are not allowed to happen due to numbers of persons allowed in a building. We are going "back to our roots" and having the arena shows and possibly the parade (the parade is not approved as of this date, we will let you know). As a result, the Volunteer BBQ this year will be a Volunteer Picnic Saturday, May 22 at 5:00PM outdoors in front of the Berger Solar Stage and we request you bring your own chair, dinner and drink. We hope that you support our local businesses and we are excited to see you all. This meeting is important as we are going to let you know the latest COVID Protocol update, you will meet up with your chairman, and all volunteers will be asked to sign the normal volunteer release form and a COVID release form before getting their badge and magazine. As much as we would like to, we cannot provide our volunteers with a free Mule Days buckle this year due to the cost. However, buckles are available for volunteers to purchase at our cost of \$20. Staff is currently trying to get the Volunteer Lunches sponsored and will update you when we know if lunches will be available. Please feel free to contact Jacqueline or stop by the office with any questions. Bishop truly is "A Town That Becomes A Team" we can't do this without you!

THANK YOU FOR VOLUNTEERING!!



2021 Mule Days Buckle Order for Volunteers

Please let us know if you want to purchase a volunteer buckle:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Buckle Cost: \$20

Shipping if out of town: \$12

Paid by check #: _____

Paid by Credit Card #: _____

Exp. Date: _____ CVV #: _____

Buckle orders should be turned in to the Mule Days Office or to Mule Days Staff at the Volunteer Picnic