

## Deb Boudreau

### Board Candidate Declaration

#### **I am seeking re-election for the CBI board.**

My relationship with CBI goes back decades and I always look forward to each new sailing season. I purchased a Lifetime membership in the early years of the Lifetime membership when it was priced approximately 5 times the annual rate. (What a bargain!) Ever since, my initial full season membership, I have been active in the CBI community in some volunteer capacity. I appreciate CBI's history (and may be part of it), but I recognize that change is necessary for CBI is to remain the model of excellence for all other public sailing programs.

I am a member the volunteer faculty currently teaching Mercury Shore, Rigging, Mainsail and Jib classes. I have attended many spring, fall and winter volunteer work parties. I also currently participate in the Women's Sailing and Racing group which is a group of CBI women who help and mentor other women in their sailing and/or racing skills to address the historical lower rate of CBI ratings progression by women members. The Women's Sailing and Racing group also sponsors some CBI clinics and events open to the entire CBI community.

In 2017, I joined the Budget and Finance Committee (BufCom) and I later joined the CBI Board of Directors in 2019. Both BufCom and the Board met multiple times each month during the Covid impacted period of 2020 and the first half of 2021. As a result of a committed Board and CBI management, CBI secured Covid related financing, offered a limited 2020 boating season and eventually resumed full programming in 2021.

In 2022 I am also participating in creating our next CBI Strategic Plan which will set goals for the next few years and perhaps set a framework to help sustain CBI into the far future.

In my professional life, I am retired from the financial services industry. I worked for many years as an internal auditor performing audits to assess the company's controls for the prevention and detection of error or fraud for human and/or automated systems related to corporate functions, invested assets, product systems, and subsidiary companies. I later transferred to the corporate controllers primarily performing management financial analysis, financial and regulatory reporting, and support for regulatory audits and corporate projects.

I ask for consideration of my candidacy for CBI Board and for your help in sustaining CBI for the future.