



December 14, 2021

To Members of NBC,

The Nominating Committee has created a slate of officers for the Board of Managers for the upcoming Election to be held on January 19, 2022.

Eighteen nominations were received for 7 openings, and the Nominating committee wishes to thank everyone who was involved, both those who made a nomination for another member along with those who self nominated. This large number of nominations reflects both the tremendous spirit and the support we bring to our unique and growing Club.

Each nominee was considered on the basis of past and future contributions in an engaged way to the Board's work, while at the same time we worked to balance the broad interests and age groups of the Club. Nominees not placed on the slate, along with the overall membership, have skills of value to our Club, and are encouraged to participate on the Committees of the Board which are equally necessary and important.

President	Kristi Wharton
Vice President	John Ryan
Captain	Eric Watne
Lieutenant	Pete Evans
Treasurer	Joan Martin
Secretary	Tiffany Hogan

Members At Large	Kiana Anderson
	Andrea Arena
	Ruth Berenson
	John Duke
	McKenzie Gibson
	Michael Hamilton
	Q Kellogg
	Daniela Roop

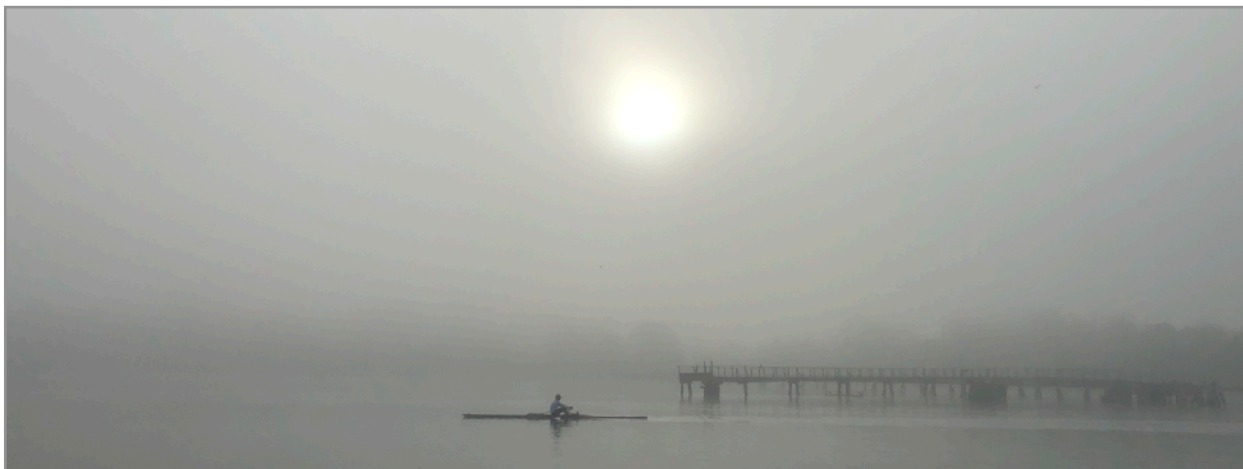
A short biography of the new Members At Large is included with this letter, as an introduction to members whom you may not yet know.

The Annual Meeting is scheduled to be held at **6:15PM** on **Wednesday January 19**. The meeting will be via Zoom and not in person. In accordance with our constitution, the notice of the Annual Meeting along with this slate of nominees will be posted at the boathouse 30 days in advance of the Annual Meeting.

Details for this important Election and Annual Meeting, including a log-in for zoom, will be emailed not less than five days prior to the meeting. This meeting will be open to all members and you are encouraged to attend.

Submitted by members of the Nominating Committee:

Ira Garber, Chair
Anne Fleet
Bill Twaddell
Kristi Wharton (NBC Vice President)



INTRODUCTION TO NEW AT LARGE NOMINEES

Kiana Anderson:



I began rowing as a novice walk-on at URI and it completely changed my life for the better. I'm sure I'm not alone in feeling this way. Four years of collegiate rowing was not enough, so I decided to join NBC after graduation. NBC has really been a blessing that has given me a sense of community in Providence. I've met so many wonderful people who love rowing as much as I do, if not more! Since joining NBC I've taken part in masters sweeps and have really improved my sculling skills if I do say so myself! Outside of NBC, I work as a Sales

Representative at the Teknor Apex Company (the corporate evolution of our favorite steering point: the Apex pyramid) and enjoy music, travel, and the great outdoors. I look forward to being an NBCr for life and continuing to improve my rowing capabilities.

Andrea Arena:



Andrea Arena joined NBC in 2008 when she signed up for sculling classes with Albin Moser. Prior to that she rowed sweeps at Westside Rowing Club in Buffalo, NY. Andrea has participated in the women's sweeps program and raced in various team and single sculling boats. Her two sons have participated in the youth programs at NBC and she has volunteered at various adult and youth regattas. Andrea is a Family Physician and professor at Brown University where she teaches in the medical school. She is active in advocacy work with Clinica Esperanza and the Woman project. She recently moved to be closer to NBC and now lives two blocks away.

John Duke:



John Duke, joined NBC in 1984, 50 years rowing experience.
Favorite quote from 1970's poster: "KEEP GROWING WITH ROWING"

McKenzie Gibson:



McKenzie first discovered the absolute magic of rowing in July 2019 during an NBC Open House, and she was (like *many* of us) immediately hooked. (Feel free to ask John Ryan about McKenzie's 1st day, as he was the first NBC member she met at the boathouse to witness her, eh-hem, typical "enthusiasm"). This past year, her involvement at NBC has grown hat to include the honors of being both Fleet Manager and a coach -- where her passions for making, teaching, and rowing were able to converge. When she's not at the boathouse, she's either at her Shop in Warren, RI making artwork (she's a blacksmith, metalworker, woodworker, and just all-around tinkerer), or at home working on something on the house and with her dogs, Zeke and Ludo.

Michael Hamilton:



Michael joined NBC in 2015 along with his three daughters, and all are enthusiastic participants in the Club. Michael previously served on the Board from 2016 - 2020, and can often be seen managing repairs to our fleet. Daughters Lucy and Ellie have competed nationally and Michael has rowed in in three Head of the Charles regattas along with the CRI Fall Classic. Michael has a degree in Finance and Entrepreneur studies which he applied to shared management in a family business including finance, real estate, and aviation, along with an agricultural business in the South which he continues to run.

Daniela Roop:



I walked on to the Brown University Women's Crew just days after moving to the US from my hometown of Monaco. Rowing has been part of my life ever since. The highlight of my Brown rowing career was definitely my freshman year racing in the first novice eight which was undefeated all season and won the Eastern Sprints. After graduating in 1993 as co-captain of the team, I was hired by Phoebe and John Murphy, the Brown Women's coaches, to be their assistant coach for 3 (non-consecutive) years. I joined the Narragansett Boat Club at that time where I learned to scull and started coaching a few adult classes in the summer. A few years later, after having three children, I became Albin Moser's assistant coach at Bay View for 3 years. More recently, I became one of the coaches of the NBC Youth team, briefly served as interim DOR, and am part of the NBC Programs Committee. I still look forward to rowing and racing as often as possible with the always fun, fast and loyal NBC masters!