

We'd like to introduce you to our new President, Brian!

Brian Larkin's family has been in Brooklin since 1740, and as much as coastal Maine resides in Brian's blood, so does boatbuilding. His grandfather and great-grandfather were both boatbuilders and captains, so it seems only natural that he would make wooden boatbuilding his career. Today, Brian is one of the best.

Brian started at Brooklin Boat Yard in 1987 after college, and he's filled many different roles since. By his mid-30s, he held the job of Lead Carpenter then was Project Manager for many years. "You get to push the envelope; nothing is ever the same," says Brian. Here, he points out the beauty of combining traditional work with modern technology. "Almost every job here demands some sort of new innovation," says Brian.

Brian admits that managing people didn't come easy to him, but he's no stranger to a challenge. He's built over forty boats while working for Brooklin Boat Yard, and every boat required problem solving.

"It's all down to personality here," explains Brian, "As long as you've got the right attitude and have an open mind, you're our kind of crew member."

Brian lives in Brooklin with his wife and his Great Pyrenees, Torrey. He is both a father and a grandfather.

You can read about the rest of the Brooklin Boat Yard team on our website [here](#).

## Steve White Steps Down as President

### *Brian Larkin Named as Successor*

Our longtime leader, Steve White, has stepped down as President of Brooklin Boat Yard. Steve took over the boat yard in 1990 in a step that allowed his father, the founder of BBY, to spend more time in the design office. Since then, Steve has grown the boat yard into a company of 70+ employees. Steve plans to stay on in a limited role in the sales department promoting the boat yard's services.

Both Brian Larkin and Eric Blake will be assuming new leadership roles. Larkin, who has been with BBY since 1987, will assume the role of President while Blake will be the new Vice President, Head of New Construction. Read what the two had to say below:

*Brian Larkin:* "I'm excited about the opportunity to continue working on Brooklin Boat Yard's workplace culture and product diversity as well as improving its facilities."

*Eric Blake:* "Being witness to the business that Steve created here in Brooklin has been an incredible experience. Being part of a team that's taking it into the future is simply the best."

We are so excited to see what the future holds, and we congratulate our new leaders on their continued success!