

I am running for one of the Board of Director positions on BRAC for many reasons. Most importantly, I have been racing bikes for over 40 years as an athlete and coach, and would like to bring much of my experience and knowledge to help our local organization to serve and support you the athlete! In the past, I have served on the board of the CVA (Colorado Velodrome Assn), so I am familiar with organizing, planning and supporting local athletes at the OTC Velodrome. Back when the ACA was not part of USA Cycling, I worked together with the Tysons and then USAC President, Steve Johnson, to bring ACA (now BRAC) back under USA Cycling.

It's ironic that USA Cycling is once again threatening to disrupt the local organizations and I plan to work to help grow and expand bicycle racing locally, and continue to strengthen one of the most successful and well-run local bike racing support organizations in the US.



I have been racing bikes since 1981 and it's been a passion of mine since Tony Tom at a Bicycle Odyssey in Sausalito, CA introduced me to bike racing. In fact, I can say it has dramatically changed my life in many positive ways. It only took another individual with a passion for the sport to change my life with a bicycle. I have always been a supporter and advocate for bike riding and racing as a means to stay fit and have fun in a healthy way. When I visited Colorado to race the 1982 Coors Classic, I fell in love with the front range. But it wasn't until 2002, that I finally decided I wanted to live in this beautiful state and get to race my bike in the wonderful landscape that is Colorado. Bicycle racing has undergone many changes in the past 40 years. But my love of this sport has remained unchanged, and I hope we can together keep the passion that is bicycle racing a vibrant part of the Colorado landscape.

As a competitive cyclist, I have been very successful racing with the US Postal Masters team for over 12 years. With the help and support of many coaches, I have been privileged to win 8 world and 30 national championships. In giving back to the sport I have coached many Olympic, Paralympic, Special Olympic, Collegiate, youth, master and weekend warriors to achieve better results and to have fun with our sport. I believe that a bicycle should be a part of everyone's life whether for competition, healthy workout or transportation and I hope you will give me the opportunity to support local bike racing as a member of the board of BRAC.

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