

## Exciting News - Appointment of New Board Members

Dear Members,

The Board of Directors is pleased to introduce **Shonna Barth, Barb DeLaurier** and **Tom Rooke** as our newest board members that were appointed at the February 23, 2026 board meeting.

Please join us in welcoming Shonna, Barb and Tom. These volunteers bring incredible passion and a broad range of expertise that will help us to continue to grow the sport of pickleball and connect people to the game of pickleball.

With warm regards,

### Board of Directors

Mo Mudry, President

Marika Pender, Treasurer

Marco Jansen, Director

Rod Lutz, Director

Simon Neigum, Director

## Medicine Hat Pickleball Club – Board Member Bios



**Tom Rooke**

Tom Rooke is one of the founding members of the original organized Medicine Hat Pickleball Club and has played an important role in helping shape the club as it exists today. He previously served on the Board of Directors and was instrumental in developing both the original and revised club bylaws.

Tom is a familiar and welcoming



**Shonna Barth**

Shonna Barth is a recently semi-retired educator who spent many years serving the Medicine Hat community through public education. She retired as Principal of Crescent Heights High School and currently works part-time with Coulee Collegiate.



**Barb Delaurier**

Barb Delaurier has been a member of the Medicine Hat Pickleball Club since 2020, when she and her husband Gil first discovered the game. What began as a new activity quickly became a favourite pastime thanks to the welcoming atmosphere and strong sense of community found on the courts.

presence at the courts, where he enjoys helping new members learn the game and mentoring players during skills and drills sessions. Many members also recognize his voice on the PA system during club tournaments.

Professionally, Tom worked as Marketing Manager for Monarch Cable TV Systems and has a long history of community service, including serving as a public school trustee and as president of both the Medicine Hat Tennis Club and Medicine Hat Musical Theatre. Outside of pickleball, Tom enjoys directing, acting, and singing in three local choirs.

Throughout her career, Shonna has been deeply involved in sport as a coach, manager, and player across a variety of activities. Her latest passion is pickleball, and she brings that enthusiasm to her role on the Medicine Hat Pickleball Club Board.

Shonna has also served with several non-profit organizations including Medicine Hat Soccer, Medicine Hat Ringette, and the Medicine Hat YMCA, and currently serves as Chair of Our Collective Journey.

For Barb, pickleball offers the perfect balance of fun, exercise, and friendly competition. She especially enjoys connecting with people and appreciates the supportive spirit that makes the club such a special place.

As a member of the Board, Barb looks forward to learning more about how the club operates and contributing wherever she can to help strengthen and grow the club's community experience.