



**Pickleball Canada 2025 Annual General Meeting
June 26, 2025
Election of Directors - Nominee Information
Package**

Nominee Name: Joanne Kealey (Ontario)

Executive Bio:

Joanne Kealey, MA. Joanne Kealey is a senior public service executive with over 31 years of leadership experience in the Department of National Defense and Global Affairs Canada. She brings expertise in governance, strategic planning, stakeholder engagement, and organizational leadership. Joanne holds a Master of Arts in Leadership, with undergraduate degree, and in law and psychology. An avid pickleball player for over five years, Joanne plays in local and provincial tournaments and volunteers with both within Ottawa pickleball leagues and her own club. She is passionate about expanding access to the sport for youth, seniors, individuals with disabilities, and underrepresented communities. Joanne's vision aligns with Pickleball Canada's mission—to grow the game through inclusion, excellence, and community partnerships. She aims to promote physical fitness, social connection, and diversity by helping bring pickleball to more schools, clubs, and community spaces across Ontario.