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|  | **MPBR Past Presidents Novice Events 2022** |

**Open Novice Singles Sunday, 10th April 2022 held at City of Frankston Bowls Club and Open Novice Pairs – Sunday, 24th April 2022 at Mornington Civic**

**Attention: Bowls Clubs Selection Committees**

You are invited to submit entries for the Open Novice Pairs and Open Novice Singles competitions conducted annually by the **Peninsula Group, Bowls Past Presidents Association. *Please Note: Entries close strictly on 6th March 2022*.**

**The following eligibility conditions apply:**

1. A Novice Bowler may be a **male or female** person who is a registered Bowls Victoria affiliated member and is affiliated with the Mornington Peninsula Bowls Region Inc. A Player who has **played for less than two years qualifies under the rules of the competition**. Therefore, a player eligible for entry in this year’s competition **MUST** have commenced bowling after 1st May 2020. If they are a member of another bowling club or previously been a member of another bowling club, then they are to use the earlier of the two dates. The date to be used is the date that they first joined, not the date that they became affiliated..
2. A Novice Bowler **who has previously been a winner of either of the Bowls Past Presidents Association Novice events is ineligible to** **compete again.**
3. A Bowler who has **won any Club or Division /Region Championship event, or an event which gives the player “Masters” status** is not considered to be a Novice and is therefore ineligible to enter.

**Players eligible to compete must be nominated by their Club.**

**Please note:** The Open Novice Singles competition will be conducted on Sunday, 10th April, 2022. The Open Novice Pairs will be played on Sunday, 24th April 2022. Players **must be in attendance by 8.30 am** for 9:00 am start of play. It would be appreciated if all defeated contestants would remain in attendance until the day’s activities are concluded and the winners suitably acclaimed. **The Controlling Body has the right to change dates and the Conditions of Play.**

**Dress Code:** All players must be attired in club pennant uniform or whites.

**All bowlers who have in attendance their coach or manager must report this information to the Controlling Body and the Umpire of the day.**

In closing, our the MPBR extends a cordial invitation to you, your Club President, and all members to come and give support to your novice bowlers. Be assured, they will be entertained by some extremely competitive bowling.

**Yours in Bowling**

***Pamela Dind***

**Mornington Peninsula Bowls Region Inc.**

**Director**