



**20 Aug 2008**  
 PAYE due  
**28 Aug 2008**  
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**22 Sept 2008**  
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A husband and wife were having dinner at a very fine restaurant when this absolutely stunning young woman comes over to their table, gives the husband a big kiss, says she'll see him later and walks away.

His wife glares at him and say "Who the hell was that?"

"Oh," replies the husband, "she's my mistress."



"Well, that's the last straw," says the wife. "I've had enough, I want a divorce."

"I can understand that," replies her husband, "but remember, if we get a divorce it means that you don't get any more shopping trips to Paris, no more wintering in Barbadoes, no more summers in Tuscany, no more Lexus's in the garage and no more yacht club. But the decision is yours."

Just then, a mutual friend enters the restaurant with a gorgeous babe on his arm.

"Who's that woman with Jim?" asks the wife.

"That's his mistress" says her husband.

"Ours is prettier" she replies.

*Friendly REMINDER*  
 We need the space, please  
 pickup last year's  
 documentation.  
 Thank you.

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## Keith's Comments

Here I am once again and well I must say that the year is flying past at a great rate of knots. Apparently it will soon be Christmas!

Speaking of Christmas, we have having our mid winter staff outing, and the theme this year is a "murder mystery". Whilst you all may have an idea which member of staff should be assassinated, and some of us here sometimes have a "wish list", until the night no one has any idea..... watch this space.



Lets not forget that the first provisional tax payment is due on the 28th of August. If you think you should be paying and you have not received a payment notification from us please contact our office

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## MINIMUM WAGE ACT—1st APRIL 2008

The statutory Minimum Wages for employees 16 years of age and older will increase to \$12ph from 1st April 2008. The Minimum Youth Rate (currently applicable to 16 & 17 year olds) will no longer exist and will be replaced by a 'new entrant' rate, which will be \$9.60 from 1st April 2008. The new entrant rate applies to 16 & 17 year olds who have not completed 3 months or 200 hours of employment, are not supervising or training other workers, and are not subject to the minimum training wage.



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## NEWBIES

We are pleased to announce that we have two new staff members joining the team on Monday 4th August.

Terri is taking on the challenge in the back office as an Assistant Accounting Technician which we are very excited about for her. Stepping into her shoes at Reception will be Val and I'm sure you will all be gentle with her in the initial transition period.

Secondly, but not lastly, Rachelle is also joining the team in the back office as an Accounts Administrator which will involve data processing and GST returns amongst many other key tasks.

We are very much looking forward to working with these ladies and what the future holds.



## Q&As ABOUT KIWISAVER

- Q:** If an employer makes a voluntary extra contribution to a KiwiSaver scheme in relation to a redundancy payment, are they eligible for the employer tax credit?
- A:** Yes, provided they meet the other relevant requirements they can claim the employer tax credit up to a maximum of \$20 per week. The redundancy payment does not count for working out the employee deduction or compulsory employer contributions.
- Q:** Is it true that ACC will no longer deduct payments if someone joins?
- A:** ACC will not automatically enrol someone in KiwiSaver. Nor will they begin making deductions for members unless specifically asked to by the member (KS2 form or similar). However, ACC will still make deductions from ACC payments when requested to by the member.
- Q:** If an employee opts out after the employer has already claimed the employer tax credit from IRD, how is this claim back?
- A:** If the members opts out no compulsory employer contributions would be payable and IRD will refund any employer contributions less the amount of employer tax credit claimed.

## KIWISAVER REMINDER

Unless exempt, employers must automatically enrol all eligible new employees and send IRD their details including name, address and IRD number using the *KiwiSaver employee details (KS1) form*. Employers can provide this form manually or complete it online through ir-File.

If you need additional copies of the KS1 form, you can download these directly from the IRD website [www.ird.govt.nz](http://www.ird.govt.nz) and then search "KS1". Alternatively you can call an automated service at IRD on 0800 101 035 to order these (remember to have your IRD number ready).

## TRUSTS & LAQC ISSUE

Having a trust as the shareholder of an LAQC means that the trust receives the losses which cannot be used unless the trust has other (non-dividend) income and when the LAQC sells its investment properties the LAQC has tax to pay on depreciation recovered whilst the trust has losses it cannot utilise.

If you have any doubts about your trust and LAQC structure please contact our office.

## CARPARKING

Extensive off street carparking is available at our Christchurch office. Please drive up the ramp at the back of the BNZ Building off Wordsworth St and take either the lift or stairs to the 2nd floor.



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## POINTS OF INTEREST

- ◆ The Government is undertaking a review of the Child Support scheme considering making improvements in complex situations like shared care arrangements
- ◆ Where tax has been short-paid and the use of money interest clock is ticking, requesting a statement of account will gain you a 30 day grace period to arrange payment under section 183 (14) of the Tax Administration Act 1994.
- ◆ If the incorrect PIE tax rate is chosen the income derived from the PIE will no longer be exempt income. A credit will be given for any tax paid by the PIE on the taxpayer's behalf
- ◆ You can now make payments towards your student loan or child support obligations online via credit or debit card without incurring the previous 2.49% bank convenience fee. You cannot use such forms of payments over the counter or by phone however.

Be the change you want to see in the world  
"Mahatma Gandhi"

Shopping tip:  
You can get shoes for \$1.00 at the bowling alley