# Computing Solutions Ltd

# **NEWSLETTER** March 2016

# **Greetings**

Well the summer has been good, the holidays were good, the price of petrol is good, most of us have a job which is good, and the cricket has been, well...good! We don't know how lucky we are!

This is another newsletter to help keep in touch about MYOB software, and also my own add-on software which runs with MYOB.

# **MYOB Payroll software for 2016**

Its that time of year again where new Payroll versions are available. I have been advised (by IRD) that the tax rates won't be changing, however ACC Levies will be lower. This means you should get the upgrade in order to pay your employees the correct amount. Some comments:

#### Compliance changes:

• ACC Earner Premium reduces from 1.45% to 1.39% on 1st April 2016. Result is a small tax reduction for employees.

#### **Payroll Topics:**

- Holidays Amendment Bill (often referred to as the "Mondayisation" Bill) passed in April 2013 was first effective on Anzac Day 2015 – and affects Waitangi Day 2016, which falls on a Saturday. This
  - For employees who would not otherwise work on the Saturday, Waitangi Day is treated as falling on the following Monday.
  - For employees who usually work on the Saturday, the public holiday is treated as falling on the Saturday.
  - It is not possible for both Saturday and Monday to be a public holiday for the same employee
- Parental leave changes effective on 1 April 2016:
  - Extending paid parental leave from 16-18 weeks
  - Extending parental leave payments to non-standard workers (such as casual, seasonal, and employees with

- more than one employer) and those who have recently changed jobs
- Extending entitlements to 'primary carers', such as Home for Life parents, whāngai, grandparents and others with permanent care arrangements.
- Enabling employees to take the leave more flexibly, by mutual agreement with the employer
- Paid parental leave for pre-term babies to a maximum of 27 weeks

If you are on MYOB Support plan you will receive a free upgrade. Otherwise please confirm your order by completing and faxing the next page back to me.

#### Special offer:

MYOB are making an offer to pay a bit more (same as the Annual Support fee) but it will give you **two** upgrades (2016 and 2017). It includes MYOB support for one year, ending March 2017.

<u>CSL</u> (Computing Solutions Ltd) prices are <u>discounted</u> for those receiving this newsletter, as follows:

# **MYOB Payroll 2 years**—includes March 2017

- RRP \$456 plus GST = \$524.40
- CSL \$436 plus GST = \$501.40

# MYOB Payroll 1 year - download link

- RRP \$315 plus GST = \$362.25
- CSL **\$295** plus GST = **\$339.25**

#### MYOB Payroll 1 year - CD delivered

- RRP \$329 plus GST = \$378.35
- CSL \$309 plus GST = \$355.35
- (Additional cost for CD and freight)

#### **MYOB Payroll Business Support**

- RRP \$456 plus GST = \$524.40
- CSL \$436 plus GST = \$501.40
- or Monthly at \$38.00 = \$43.70

Please call if you wish to discuss these options, or phone or fax back your choice for an order to be made. Your orders are always much appreciated. Upgrading is easy and usually over in five minutes.

# **Essentials Payroll**

The Essentials Accounting software includes a Payroll. This is an <u>on-line Payroll</u>. MYOB are now supplying this on-line Payroll as a separate application (on-line). If you wish to find out more about it, you can book into a seminar at the following link:

http://myob.co.nz/business/training-events/events-1257828257803

# Add-on Software - extend your reporting

Computing Solutions Ltd offers the following great Add-on applications:

Sidekick Reports Membership Manager

If you have all your data in MYOB but need better reporting, we can usually provide what you need.

To view some sample reports go to the website www.computingsolutions.co.nz

and follow the links to Sidekick Reports.

The reports are being added to all the time, based on requests from users to extend the reporting scope of MYOB itself.

# **Accounting in the Cloud**

The new 2016 version of Accountright software is up and running and looking great. It works really well now and if you are still using version 19 you are welcome to contact me for further discussion.

The features include all those from v19, and some new features as well. The new design opens the door to more modern features from now on. If you use either of these versions on a network, the new design database should perform better then previous versions.

The option to access data files online, up to 5 multiple users, and also the bank feeds are great new features. You just need a reasonably fast PC and/or network to achieve acceptable performance.

#### What are the Changes

- Option to store data in the 'cloud'
- Option to use 'Bank Feeds'
- Five simultaneous users
- Many others

There are many cool new options, even ones like sorting columns in a grid of information (eg Purchase Orders or dates) can speed up the job of finding an entry. MYOB have been working hard to improve the performance and it now runs very well for most users. Their main mission is to make accounting faster and easier for busy people.

It seems likely that those users who use foreign currency will need to use some additional software – this is still being worked through by MYOB.

#### **Upgrade options**

Users who pay a monthly or annual support fee to MYOB should receive a free upgrade. In this case please let me know if you require any assistance.

The ONLY way to obtain an upgrade is to be on the MYOB Support Plan. If you are not currently on a Support agreement with MYOB there are options to pay annually or with monthly direct debits. If you decide that you want an upgrade please call to discuss pricing. I can then arrange an order with MYOB.

You might like to have a look at a Youtube videos of MYOB software. In the next link you can view many of the great new features:

#### **MYOB Accountright Overview**

http://myob.co.nz/products/smallbusiness/accounting-software/myobaccountright-1257833825589

# **Health Checks**

The end of a GST Return period, and the end of any financial year are ideal times to review the integrity of your Accounting data. Checks can include:

- confirming bank reconciliation
- balancing accounts receivable
- balancing accounts payable
- check Inventory Balances
- check the Lock period
- check backup procedures
- optimise the data file

Let me know at any time if you would like me to call and run through these checks with you.

#### **MYOB Knowledge Base**

MYOB run a Knowledge Base which many users do not seem to be aware of. It works really well and is sometimes much faster and more effective than calling MYOB (if you are on support).

http://myobnz.custhelp.com/

# **Anything else?**

Just call if you have any issues I can help with:

Phone: 03 332 3050 Mobile: 027 438 5082

#### Please tick the box and fax back this form if: ☐ You wish to buy a Payroll upgrade You do **not** want to receive future newsletters Company Name Serial No (Required) MYOB Payroll upgrade for March 2016 Two years (incl 2017 upgrade) \$501.40 (discounted from RRP \$524.40) March 2016 Download \$339.25 (discounted from RRP \$362.25) March 2016 CD delivered \$355.35 (discounted from RRP \$378.35) **Annual Support** \$501.40 (discounted from RRP \$524.40) Monthly Support \$43.70 Card Type MasterCard Visa Cheque (Please circle)

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