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Our March Edition

March is here and if you don't have your ducks in a row already, now is the time to get onto it. In this edition we touch on some employment law changes, new requirements for companies, parental tax credits and have some handy reminder dates for you.

Please enjoy and as always, we welcome feedback or suggestions for improvement on **0800 758 766** or send us an **email**.

Employment Law Changes

Are you ready?

The government has made some major employment relations changes, effective from 6 March 2015. Changes target flexible working arrangements, rest and meal breaks, continuity of employment for vulnerable employees upon restructuring, the good faith provisions, collective bargaining, and how the Employment Relations Authority gives its determinations. Read more

Company Directors

New requirements for Companies

From 1 May 2015 new registration requirements come into force for applications to incorporate a New Zealand Limited Liability company. All New Zealand incorporated companies must have at least one director who lives in New Zealand or who lives in Australia and is a director of an Australian incorporated company. Read more

Tax Tips

Things to do before 31 March

As the end of the financial year approaches, it always pays to spend a little extra time examining your financial records and considering ways to increase your after tax income. Read more

Vehicle licensing

On 1 July 2015 the ACC vehicle licensing levy is being reduced. The cost of relicensing most vehicles will drop by around \$130 a year. If you need to renew your vehicle's registration before then, you can save money by renewing your registration to expire in July 2015. Read more

Parental Tax Credit

For babies born on or after 1 April 2015, the Government will increase the parental tax credit from \$150 a week to \$220 a week, and extend the payment period from eight weeks to ten weeks. Read more

Video of the Month

7 Mistakes business owners make

Like you a lot of stuff passes over my desk and through my emails each day, however the other week I received an email about a free download to an ebook called the 7 Mistakes Business Owners make and it proved to be a good read. Click to watch.

If you have a great video or image you think needs sharing - <u>send it to us</u> - we would love to hear from you.





Events

Client education is an important part of what GECA offers our clients, by way of newsletters and client workshops. We regularly run complimentary events for business owners and business people wanting to up-skill and you can see the full program here:



Referrals

We value your relationship and we value your recommendations, so tell your friends to either email us or call us to discuss how we can help them in their business and we will reward you and them with our generous referral system - click here to ask us more on how this works!



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