PRACTICE POINTS

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The importing of new tax coefficients is now done via a dedicated button on the **Tax Tables** page of the Administrator preferences, and clients should get a new **TaxCoeffs.txt** file from us for this purpose. Please note that the **NAT 1004** tax tables have been updated for the new financial year (viz.: 10/11) and clients using the Wages feature should get an updated copy of our package, together with this supporting text file.

Removed Features

As **TheSCP** import definition no longer works with the latest **MacOSX** operating system and it has been retired in deference to the above.

The ability for an Administrator to reassign an alternate bank to a selection of accounts or consultations has now been removed.

New Features

There is now a **> Process -> New <** menu item on the list view for bankings. Any manually added bankings will be designated with a code of A/na, and these will remain editable. The finances operator must be aware that this may compromise bankings that have been marked as banked via banking reconciliations.

The transfer of bankings between two bank accounts has improved functionality.

The wages layout has added visual cues.

A retired bank record may be deleted, and may also be removed from your pop-up menus by clearing out its MenuID field.

The ((Calculator)) buttons on TaxHistories layouts allow you to recalculate the GST values, after the fact.

New Documentation

Please note that the latest documentation has been resourced into our single user package, so there is no need to download this yourself.
Reminder: You may key **Control-Option-Apple-H** at any layout to open this in-context PDF documentation, or use the >File > E-Manual< menu item.

Mac OSX

iPad... At last count, 3 million sold. Check out the clever **Origami** photo display. Interesting comments on expected sales of this device with huge volumes for 2011. The impact on AAPL's share price will see it propelled past $300.00 (subject to double-dip recession [unlikely], share splits, litigation, or other outside factors).

A useful application which allows you to play movies formatted differently to the standard **Apple MP4**, without having to do any conversions is **avidemux,** and you can find it on our release DVD.

Another application **RDM+** allows you to use your **iPad** as a remote access controller for your desktop **iMac**.

Apple will probably announce new LCD monitors soon and **ViewSonic** have announced great new monitors, and so now have **Samsung.**

Apple Mac Pros have been updated to use 4 and 8 core chips, and the **iMacs** use Core i3 and i5 chips. Solid state drives are now available.

A new **Apple Trackpad** brings the laptop touch interface to your desktop **Mac** via the bluetooth interface.

Clients looking for external backup storage would do well to consider the **iOmega** 1 Tb USB2 hard drives, which are very cost effective.

iTunes, Safari, QuickTime Player... Have all been updated.

App Store... 200,000+ applications...

- Go Apple ! -

Mac Mini

These have been updated using the same form factor as the **Apple Time Capsule** and **AppleTV**. As such the power supply is now internal. It supports dual monitors via HDMI and compact video interfaces and improved graphics support and speed. SD card slots are provided.

Apple iPad   If you are not sure what the fuss is about..., here are its main events.

It can email and surf the net, just like your desktop computer.

It can sync, play and display all your multi-media, just like your iPod, and adds e-book reading.

It can do product and video demonstrations for your business.

It has endless functionality, thanks to the **Apple's App Store.**

It has note taking, sketching and dictating capabilities, syncs your calendar and contacts.

It is constantly connected to the net - access your **.Mac** account, colleagues, maps, breaking news, stock quotes, etc.

Apple iPhone 4

You can check out the new model and its features at **Apple's** web site. There is a new **iPhone** operating system, now renamed **iOS**, which may also be downloaded.

There are significant improvements, including a high definition **Retina** display with 960 * 640 pixel resolution.

The back-side camera allows for HD video recording and includes a video editing capability right on the device.

The front-side camera allows for **FaceTime** video calling, facilitating staying in touch.

Welcome new features are the multi-tasking in **iOS 4**, and the ability to organize your documents and applications by grouping them together into folders. There is improved battery life and a slightly smaller form factor.

New additions

A flat one found while collecting an iMac for a client.

Until the next issue...

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