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### **WELCOME!**

Welcome to the July 2021 edition of our newsletter. It has been a busy and exciting year so far and we have enjoyed working with all of our valued clients. There are lots of upcoming changes we wanted to keep you up to date with along with lots of exciting things happening at Pay Check.

#### Matariki Public Holiday

The government has announced the addition of a 12th public holiday. Matariki will be 24th June 2022.

Matariki is the Māori name for the cluster of stars also known as the Pleiades. It rises in midwinter and for many Māori, it heralds the start of a new year.



These stars are also known as Messier 45 or "The Seven Sisters," because according to Greek mythology, they were once Atlas' daughters: Alcyone, Asterope, Merope, Maia, Taygeta, Celaeno, and Electra.

You might also

recognize them from the Subaru vehicle logo. There may appear to only be 6 stars on the logo, but in reality 2 stars are so close together they form the large star in the cluster.

Whatever your reference - make sure you put June 24th 2022 on your radar.

#### **Increase to Sick Leave Entitlement**

From 24 July 2021 the sick leave entitlement for employees will be raised from 5 days to 10 days per year. The employees will get their extra 5 days when they reach their next entitlement. The maximum cap for sick leave accumulated will remain at 20 days. Any employees who already receive 10 days or more sick leave per year will be unaffected by this change. If we process your payroll we will take care of these changes. However if you aren't a current client and have questions please feel free to get in touch, we would love to help!

## Great Southern Payroll Conference – Grow Your Payroll Knowledge

Come and join us for a day of learning, networking, fun and maybe even some prizes! Our second annual conference is suitable for Payroll Administrators, HR Professionals, Accountants, Employers and any



other individual that deals with or is interested in payroll.

The conference will be held at the Ascot Park Hotel on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> October 2021 from 9am-5.15pm. The cost is \$350 + GST per person and this includes morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea.

We have again partnered with the Southland Business Chamber and they will be handling registrations. We will put the link up on our Facebook page when registrations officially open, however we are happy to reserve your spot in the meantime. Please contact <a href="mailto:info@paycheck.nz">info@paycheck.nz</a> to reserve your spot! Seats are already starting to fill up so get in quick!

#### **Applied Payroll Foundation Certificate**

We are thrilled to announce that the course Kerryn Facilitates has been recognised as such quality that it now has level 5 unit standards attached to it.

The course runs for 12 weeks at SIT every Friday from 8:30am-12:30pm. The objective of this training is to provide participants with in-depth payroll foundation training. If you would like more information please email <a href="mailto:sarah.miller@sit.ac.nz">sarah.miller@sit.ac.nz</a>.

#### **Email Migration**

We have been migrating away from our old gmail accounts to paycheck.nz accounts. Please use <a href="mailto:info@paycheck.nz">info@paycheck.nz</a> going forward for anything relating to pays. This account is monitored by all staff at Pay Check to ensure that your email is actioned if your usual processor is away. Alternatively, you can contact Kerryn — <a href="mailto:kerryn@paycheck.nz">kerryn@paycheck.nz</a> or Paula — <a href="mailto:paula@paycheck.nz">paula@paycheck.nz</a> directly.



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