



Estate and Taxation Planning Council New Zealand Inc

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Dear Member

Presidents Report

This is my first President's report and of course the start of a new year. As a final recognition of the 25th Anniversary of the Council your Board decided to print calendars for members in the hope that this will raise awareness of the Council. You should receive this calendar over the next couple of days, I hope you enjoy using it, or have the pleasure of giving it to a colleague.

One of my goals for the year ahead is improved communications with members, to this end we now have a Council website up and running and I encourage you to have a look. Your Board intend to use electronic communication as much as possible in the future. We have already set dates for four seminars over the course of the year (see below), starting on Wednesday 26th February. We will endeavour to keep to these dates so please mark your diaries now!

You have a hard working and enthusiastic Executive at the helm of the Council, and I trust you will be pleased with the programme we have planned for you. However your feedback is vital if we are to stay on track, so please don't be shy in coming forward with ideas and comments.

Gary Morgan

Council Web page

Your Council now has it's own Web page. Whilst this web page is operational, it is still very much "under construction" so please bear with us over the coming months while we continue to upgrade it. This site can be found at <http://www.etpc.org.nz>. The objectives of the website are to improve communications with members, as a resource for past Newsletters and articles etc., and as an easy way to access the membership database. This last function will be offered by password only to ensure the information stays within the membership. To access the database please e-mail Gary Fitzpatrick for your password: gfitzpatrick@nzgt.co.nz

Next Seminar

The next seminar will be a breakfast seminar at Romfords on Wednesday 26th February starting at 7.30am. The topic is entitled "The Beneficiaries are coming!" Please diary this now and look for the one page invitation that will be sent to you soon giving details of speakers etc. Future dates that have been set for events are: -

10 April	Annual General Meeting
25 June	Seminar Activity / Speaker
24 September	Seminar Activity / Speaker
3 December	Christmas Dinner & Speaker

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