

MYOB Advanced

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Introduction

Welcome to the 2016.1.11 release of MYOB Advanced.

What's New in this Release?

The 2016.1.11 release adds support for leave loading to the Payroll module of Advanced People, as well as improvements to the multi-branch support for pay runs, new email notification features and fixed to issues identified in previous releases. The following sections provide details of the changes included in this release.

Installing this Release

The 2016.1.11 release is automatically deployed to all production accounts.

Note: An updated licence is required to enable configuration options for the new features. While accounts in our managed environment will have their licences updated automatically, a local installation must be updated manually by navigating to the Licence Maintenance (SM.20.15.10) form and clicking the Update Licence button.

New Features

Improved Pay Run Multi-Branch Support

This release includes improvements to the Payroll module's support for systems that are set up with multiple branches. (Partial support for multi-branch scenarios was added in 2016.1.10.) These changes simplify the process of setting up a multi-branch payroll system.

Setup

The payroll system now derives the cash account to use from the appropriate payment method. This is possible due to the fact that payment methods can be configured with multiple cash accounts, which are set up on the Allowed Cash Accounts tab of the Payment Methods form (CA.20.40.00):

Cash Account	Description	Branch	Use in AP	AP Defa	AP - Suggest Next Number	AP Last Reference Number	Batch Last Reference Number	Use in AR	AR Default	AR Default For Refund	AR - Suggest Next Number	AR Last Reference Number
100035	Payroll Cheque Account...	MAIN	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	PAY000001		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
100090	SYD Payroll Account	SYD	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Note: Any cash accounts that you add on this form must have the Use in AP checkbox ticked.

When the system needs to determine which cash account to use for any transaction, it now takes the relevant employee's branch and uses the payment method to find the cash account associated with that branch.

Because cash accounts can now be derived from the relevant payment method, they no longer need to be specified for pay items and other records—Cash Account fields have been removed from the following forms:

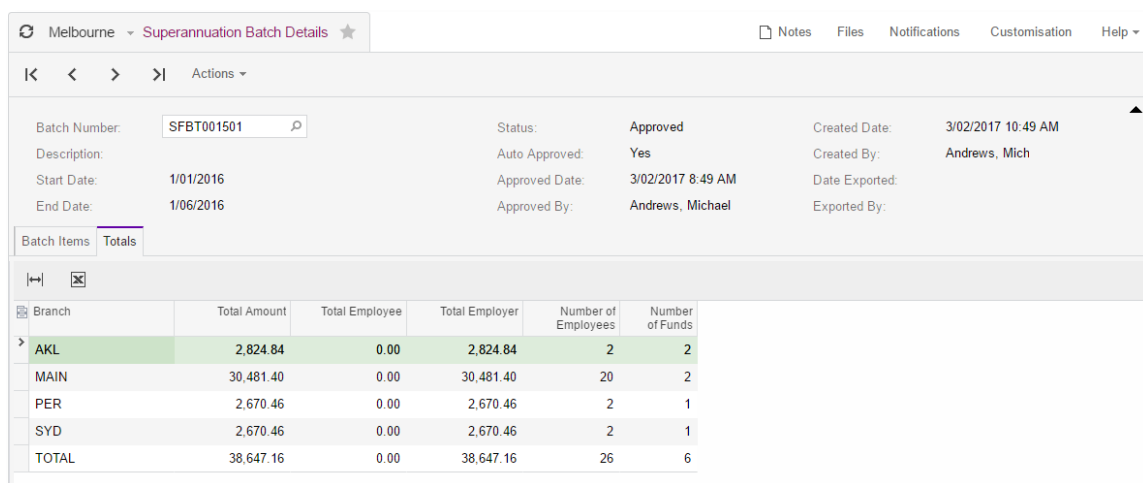
- Pay Distribution (MP.PP.23.30)
- Superannuation Funds (MP.PP.21.52)
- Pay Items (MP.PP.22.10) – previously, a cash account was specified for deduction pay items on the Additional Info tab

Validation has been added to the Employees form (EP.20.30.00): the system now checks that the Cash Account specified on the Financial Settings tab is associated with the correct branch for the employee.

Effects on Superannuation

One important effect of these changes is that a single Superannuation Fund record can now support multiple branches—previously, separate Superannuation Fund records had to be set up for each branch, so that each record could have a separate cash account. As the cash account is now derived from the payment method and employee branch, you can have a single record for each fund, which can be used for all employees who belong to the fund, regardless of which branch they are in.

To account for multiple branches associated with one superannuation fund, the totals on the Superannuation Batch Details form (MP.PP.50.06) have been moved to a new Totals tab, which breaks down the totals by branch:



The screenshot shows the 'Superannuation Batch Details' form for Melbourne. The 'Totals' tab is active, displaying a table with the following data:

Branch	Total Amount	Total Employee	Total Employer	Number of Employees	Number of Funds
AKL	2,824.84	0.00	2,824.84	2	2
MAIN	30,481.40	0.00	30,481.40	20	2
PER	2,670.46	0.00	2,670.46	2	1
SYD	2,670.46	0.00	2,670.46	2	1
TOTAL	38,647.16	0.00	38,647.16	26	6

When exporting superannuation files for a batch, the system now produces separate export files for each branch.

Implications for Existing Sites

The above changes mean that existing multi-branch sites will need to change their setup as follows:

- For all payment methods in use, add cash accounts for each branch to the Allowed Cash Accounts tab of the Payment Methods form (CA.20.40.00).
- Where multiple Superannuation Fund records have been created for a single fund, you can now delete all records but one, and assign the remaining record to all employees who use that fund. However, make sure that the remaining Superannuation Fund record uses a payment method that you have set up with multiple cash accounts.

Support for Leave Loading (AU only)

This release adds support for leave loading on Annual Leave pay items. Employees can be marked for leave loading by ticking the new Entitled to Leave Loading option on the Employment tab of the Pay Details form (MP.PP.23.10):

Melbourne Pay Details

Employee ID: EP00000001 - Hu Ming, Mrs. Status: Active

Employee Name: Hu Ming, Mrs.

Standard Pay Taxation Employment Settings Employee Defaults Entitlement Balances Payroll Tax

* Employee Start Date: 28/06/1984

Employee End Date:

Payment Summary Type: Individual Non-Business

Entitled to Leave Loading

New default pay items have been added for leave loading, and new leave loading properties are available on the Additional Info tab of the Pay Items form (MP.PP.22.10):

Melbourne Pay Items

Pay Item ID: TAKENAL Description: Annual Leave Taken

Type: ENTITLEMENT PAYMENT - En Taxation: Taxable : Standard PAYG

Attributes

Maximum limit appli... No Threshold(s) apply?: No Super?:

Calculation Method Additional Info

Visibility

Show On Payslip

Show Calculated Dollar Value

Show Calculated Units

Override Value

Allow value override for Employee(s) pay item in:

Standard Pay

Current Pay

Leave Loading

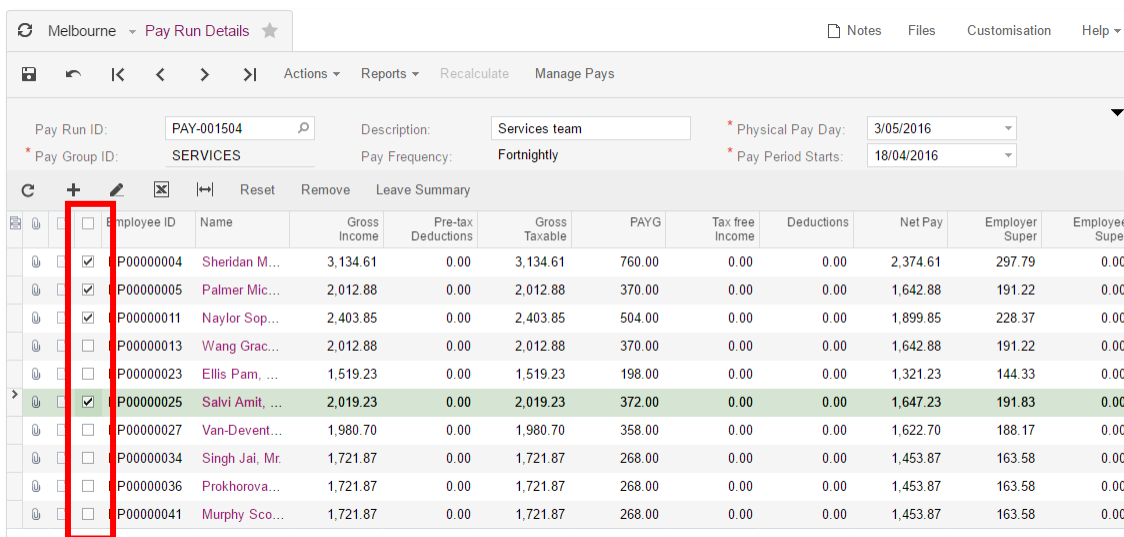
Autoload Leave Loading Pay Item in Current Pay

Pay Item: UNALLN1 - Annual leave loa

To apply leave loading to a pay item, tick the Autoload Leave Loading Pay Item in Current Pay option, then select a leave loading pay item. When this pay item is added to an employee's Current Pay, the specified leave loading pay item is added automatically as well.

Pay Run Interface Improvements

A selection column has been added to the main table of the Pay Run Details form (MP.PP.31.20):



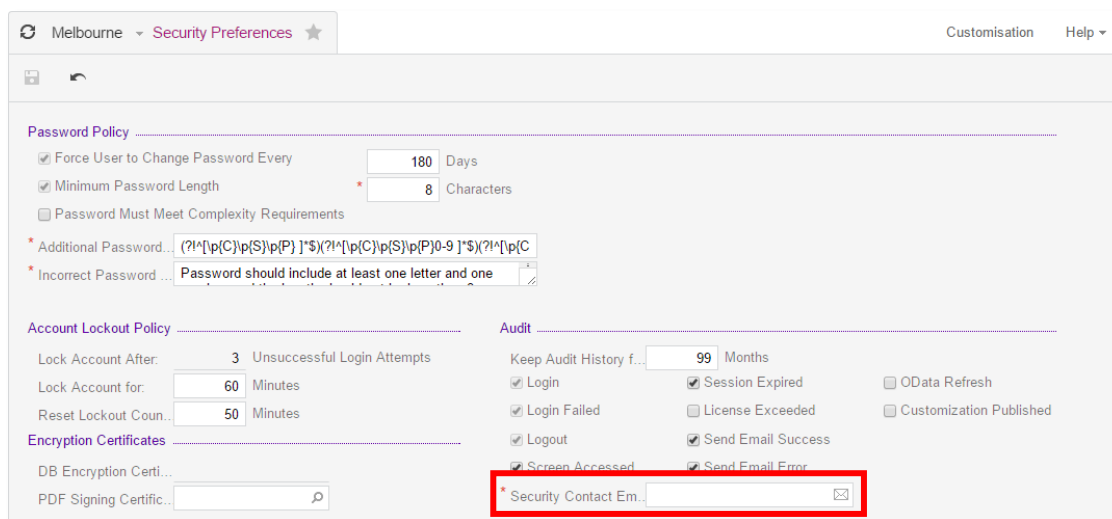
The screenshot shows the 'Pay Run Details' form for Melbourne. The main table lists employees with columns for Employee ID, Name, Gross Income, Pre-tax Deductions, Gross Taxable, PAYG, Tax free Income, Deductions, Net Pay, Employer Super, and Employee Super. A new selection column with checkboxes is added to the left of the Employee ID column. Several rows are checked, including P00000004 (Sheridan M...), P00000005 (Palmer Mic...), P00000011 (Naylor Sop...), P00000025 (Salvi Amit, ...), and P00000041 (Murphy Sco...).

<input type="checkbox"/>	Employee ID	Name	Gross Income	Pre-tax Deductions	Gross Taxable	PAYG	Tax free Income	Deductions	Net Pay	Employer Super	Employee Super
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	P00000004	Sheridan M...	3,134.61	0.00	3,134.61	760.00	0.00	0.00	2,374.61	297.79	0.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	P00000005	Palmer Mic...	2,012.88	0.00	2,012.88	370.00	0.00	0.00	1,642.88	191.22	0.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	P00000011	Naylor Sop...	2,403.85	0.00	2,403.85	504.00	0.00	0.00	1,899.85	228.37	0.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	P00000013	Wang Grac...	2,012.88	0.00	2,012.88	370.00	0.00	0.00	1,642.88	191.22	0.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	P00000023	Ellis Pam, ...	1,519.23	0.00	1,519.23	198.00	0.00	0.00	1,321.23	144.33	0.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	P00000025	Salvi Amit, ...	2,019.23	0.00	2,019.23	372.00	0.00	0.00	1,647.23	191.83	0.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	P00000027	Van-Devent...	1,980.70	0.00	1,980.70	358.00	0.00	0.00	1,622.70	188.17	0.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	P00000034	Singh Jai, Mr.	1,721.87	0.00	1,721.87	268.00	0.00	0.00	1,453.87	163.58	0.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	P00000036	Prokhorova...	1,721.87	0.00	1,721.87	268.00	0.00	0.00	1,453.87	163.58	0.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	P00000041	Murphy Sco...	1,721.87	0.00	1,721.87	268.00	0.00	0.00	1,453.87	163.58	0.00

This allows you to select multiple employees and perform actions on all selected employees at once, such as removing the employees from the pay or resetting their pay.

Security Contact Email

A new field has been added to the Security Preferences form (SM.20.10.60):



The screenshot shows the 'Security Preferences' form for Melbourne. The 'Password Policy' section includes fields for 'Force User to Change Password Every' (180 Days), 'Minimum Password Length' (8 Characters), and 'Additional Password' requirements. The 'Account Lockout Policy' section includes 'Lock Account After' (3 Unsuccessful Login Attempts), 'Lock Account for' (60 Minutes), and 'Reset Lockout Coun.' (50 Minutes). The 'Audit' section includes 'Keep Audit History f...' (99 Months) and various audit events. The 'Encryption Certificates' section includes 'DB Encryption Certi...' and 'PDF Signing Certific...'. A new field, '* Security Contact Em...', is highlighted with a red box in the bottom right corner.

The Security Contact Email is used for sending email alerts relating to site security, such as when a supplier's banking details are changed (see below). It defaults to the email address of the site's original billing contact.

When setting up addresses on the Addresses tab of the Automation Notifications form (SM.20.50.40), the Source column contains a new "Security Contact" option—selecting this option populates the Email column with the Security Contact Email address.

Bank Account Change Email Alerts

This release adds the ability to send email notifications when a supplier's bank account details change. A notification will be sent when certain changes are made to a supplier on the Payment Settings tab of the Suppliers (AP.30.30.00) or Supplier Locations (AP.30.30.10) forms. If the record is edited to change the Payment Method or any of the details in the Payment Instructions section, an email is sent to the Security Contact email address (see above). The email includes details of what was changed, who changed it and when.

Resolved Issues

The following table details the issues that are addressed by this release.

Problem ID	Description
Finance	
139415363807 139347215316 139347215311	Filters on the Document Lookup on the Bills and Adjustments form (AP.30.10.00) were not visible to other users when shared. This has been resolved.
System and Platform	
-	The PartnerSupport user was incorrectly included in the 2016DemoAU and 2015DemoNZ demonstration databases. This has been resolved.
Payroll	
138384961135 138308676831	The error message "Object reference not set to instance of an object" could appear when adding a new employee to a pay run. This has been resolved.
139257231531 139253941284	In some cases, incorrect employer superannuation YTD amounts could appear on payslips. This has been resolved.
-	On the IR348 report, the Earnings not Liable for Earner's Levy value was not calculated correctly, as it did not take into account employees on the WT tax code. This has been resolved.
-	In some situations, leave accruals were not calculated for employees in a pay. This has been resolved.
-	The error message "Pay Item failed to update Standard Pay. Object reference not set to instance of an object" could appear when editing a pay item. This has been resolved.
-	Accrual pay items that had the Show on Payslip option unticked still appeared on some employees' payslips.

Known Issues

The following known issues and breaking changes have been identified in this release.

Partner users visible on some forms

User accounts with the licence type MYOB_Partner and the Admin account used exclusively by MYOB are hidden from all other users; they do not appear on user selection lists. However, these user accounts will appear in selection lists on the following forms:

- Event > Attendees (CR.30.60.30)
- Role List (SM.65.10.00)