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Welcome...

to our 53rd University Investment Update.



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Biggest first 6 months in 12 years!....

With record sales as a result of a steady stream of exciting new listings to appeal to a wide range of buyers we find ourselves once again in a situation where after highlighting our "current listings" and "solds" there is very little room for anything else. Notable this year is the number of higher value properties changing hands with 9 sales in the \$600,000-\$1 million range and 3 in the \$1 million and

above, with another 2 under offer. While consistantly low interest rates have had little affect on sales yields (as we would expect from past history) increasingly high levels of enquiry from existing and new buyers is a positive aspect of the current market. Results this year have been the highest since entering the market in 2003. Its been some time since we covered the letting cycle and with so many new investors, this is the appropriate time to do it. Also in this issue we introduce and welcome aboard our new Personal Assistant - Amanda Phillips, plus Edinburghs' Property Management Team new Group Manager - Sue Clarke.



As a family we've been renting student flats for 35 years, so this is by no means our first rodeo and we hope that any comments made here will assist those a little newer to the market in getting let.

Lets get the elephant in the room out of the way. First year student numbers are down by 350 efts. Total University roll is down by 469 (2.7%). International first year enrolments up by 26. Post Grads up by 90. Then there's the Polytechnic which provides around 20% of the rental pool. Latest figures are from March and indicate a rise of 297 efts. Overall this year the rental pool is around 172 efts less than last year. Lets be blunt, sitting on your hands doing no marketing or maintenance and hoping for a group to call is not a smart business plan. If you're not on Trademe and/or the Uni Accommodation Office and don't have a sign up on the flat, many other landlords have at least a months headstart on you. At the time of writing (5 June) most flats in the popular areas have been snapped up. Having said that, we are finding enquiry is around 50% of last year (to date). Make sure students can contact you by cell/txt or email. Nobody calls landlines anymore. Any maintenance or planned improvements - do them now! Hedges, lawns, letterbox, front door - raise your street appeal.

Take the time to make yourself an expert in room rates. Know what your competition is supplying for their room rate. If you got rented early last year - put the rent up, if late do something or put it down. If your property is managed our advice is be with a company with an office in Prime Campus and listen to their advice. It is in their interest to get your property let, but be aware they might not be interested in recommending a higher rent and pushing the risk of a vacancy factor.





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Introducing Sue Clarke

Dunedin Property Management Group Manager

Leading Edinburgh Realty's Property Management team is a busy but rewarding job.

The team's reputation among both tenants and landlords is based on years of being fair and thorough in their dealings. If one of our property managers says they will do something, they do it.

The number of properties managed by Edinburgh Realty's property management team has risen by 25% in the past 12 months. That's impressive, by any measure and reflective of the quality of our team.

June is a big month for Edinburgh Realty's property management team, as it swings into full university letting mode with Volume 1 of "Get a **Room**" hitting the streets this week.

I joined the team in March 2015 and inherited a productive group of motivated people who understood the critical importance of customer service. My role is to ensure the team has the support and tools they need to continue delivering that level of service.

Before joining Edinburgh, I was Chief Executive of Netball South and the Southern Steel franchise. My previous roles include New Zealand International Science Festival director and RWC 2011 project manager coordinating the city's successful Rugby World Cup hosting

Call in and see me when you get the chance!



INTEREST RATES June 2015 (Best of big 4 Banks) Fltg **1**yr 2yr 3yr 5yr 6.40% 5.35% 5.39% 5.49% 5.75% June 2015 6.50% 5.85% 6.2% 6.25% 7.40% June 2014 5.19% 5.45% 6.25% 5.74% 5.75% June 2013 5.74% 5.25% 5.49% 6.5% June 2012 5.75% 5.74% 5.95% 6.49% 6.99% 7.7% June 2011

Interest Rates

As investors we are always keeping an eye on rates wondering, is this as low as they will go or will there be an opportunity just around the corner. At the moment banks are posturing with special offers in the 1-2 year range, but the 5 year rate for those who like longer term certainty has moved little recently apart from SBS offering 4.99% for a short time (now closed off). It's worth spending time on interest rates as they can often affect your cashflow (but not your capital value) more than a room rate increase. At the time of going to print the RBNZ have just lowered the OCR to 3.25%, which has lowered some floating & short term rates, but should have little effect on longer term rates. The RBNZ are also looking at a modest change to the LVR for Property Investors to curb the pressure on the Auckland market.

Tip: Visit your flat when it's raining (heavy) - you might be surprised how many spoutings are blocked.

Introducing Amanda Phillips

Personal Assistant to Clayton and Lane

Amanda has worked in the real estate industry for the past 15 in various administrative roles. She takes great pride in all aspects of her work and how it impacts on clients, tenants and of course us. On any given day, Amanda can be creating marketing material, pulling together website advertising, liaising with clients and associated professionals, compiling newsletters, maintaining our client database, preparing sale and purchase agreements and the general running of our busy office. The role is challenging and varied and the working day flies by.

Amanda also owns her own investment property and has been involved in property management, which gives her a great understanding of all sides of our business. It makes a difference, and Amanda provides a great level of service to all our customers and clients. We are very happy to have Amanda join our team, so don't be afraid to contact her directly for assistance. Lane & Clayton.

Amanda 03 470 2547

Sold since last newsletter (\$11,201,909)



PRIME CAMPUS 140 Harbour Street

Six flats, comprising 3 x five bedroom purpose built, 2 x four bedroom purpose built and the original bungalow (six bedrooms). 1272m2 freehold on Prime

\$2,692,000 - 6.99% Vendor: Auckland Purchaser: Dunedin



PRIME CAMPUS 12 Forth Street

Five self-contained rive setr-contained units. Each unit comes fully furnished, three large spacious bedrooms, open plan living, full bathroom plus second W/C with specific second with the secon laundry.

\$1,900,000 - 6.99% Vendor: Dunedin Purchaser: Wellington



PRIME CAMPUS

61 Duke Street

This property is made up of 28 rooms, a large kitchen/dining area and a separate spacious lounge. Gross annual income of \$183,000 less associated landlord costs.

\$1,175,000 Vendor: Dunedin Purchaser: Qatar



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PRIME CAMPUS

129C Forth Street

Seven spacious ensuited studio apartments with apartments with quality finish and chattels being of the essence. Rented at \$1,905pw (total combined rent).

\$978,000 - 10.1% Vendor: Kakanui Purchaser: Dunedin



Kaikorai Valley

212 Kaikorai Valley Road

212 Kaikorai Valley Road Two-story Investment contains six individually titled units. Comprising of 2 x one bedroom units and 4 x two bedroom units, plus 4 car parks, Total weekly income \$1,310pw.

\$710,000 - 9.5% Vendor: Dunedin Purchaser: Lawrence



PRIME CAMPUS

144A Dundas Street

Spacious five double bedroom purpose built flat, large open plan kitchen/living opens to a BBQ area. Rented at \$625pw.

\$525,000 Vendor: Auckland Purchaser: Gore



PRIME CAMPUS

146A Dundas Street

Spacious five double bedroom purpose built flat, large open plan kitchen/living opens to a BBQ area. Rented at \$625pw.

\$525,000 Vendor: Auckland Purchaser: Gore



Dunedin Central

189 Cargill Street

Boasting five or six bedrooms, two bathrooms, spacious modern kitchen, and Thoractiving areas.
Recent re-roof,
electrical, plumbing
upgrades. Rented at
\$700pw.

\$411,000 - 8.8% Vendor: Dunedin Purchaser: Dunedin



PRIME CAMPUS

179A Dundas Street

Elevated for good sun and views. Four good bedrooms and open plan living. Minimal grounds. Rented at \$500 pw

\$367.000 - 7.08% Vendor: Auckland Purchaser: Dunedin



Central City

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Four double bedrooms and one single (three with ensuites), modern kitchen with open plan living. Rented at \$500pw

\$312,000 - 8.3% Vendor: Japan Purchaser: Auckland



PRIME CAMPUS

128 Forth Street

Popular four hedroom flat, handy bedroom flat, handy location being only minutes to the Otago Polytechnic, Dunedin Teachers College and the University, Rented at \$425pw.

\$298,000 - 7.4% Vendor: Dunedin Purchaser: Dunedin



PRIME CAMPUS

683B Castle Street

Three bedroom cottage, modern kitchen and a good back yard for tenants to enjoy. Rented for 2015 at \$390 per week. A spruce up should increase rents.

\$287.000 - 7.06% Vendor: Dunedin Purchaser: Dunedin



Central City

1/93 Filluel Street Total of 17 units. One bedroom, modern tiled bathroom with under floor heating, and open plan living Fully furnished. Rented at \$335pw.

Vendor: Dunedin Purchaser: Auckland



North East Valley

4 Islington Street

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Three generous
sized bedrooms,
modern kitchen/
dining area, and
upgraded bathroom.
Very tidy and well
presented. Rented
at \$305pw.

\$214,009 - 7.4%

Vendor: Dunedin Purchaser: Dunedin



PRIME CAMPUS 78 Dundas Street

Four bedroom terrace house with modern kitchen and heat pump. Tidy condition throughout. Small courtyard at

rear. Advertised at \$340pw. \$202,900 - 8.71% Vendor: NSW Purchaser: Auckland



PRIME CAMPUS 76 Dundas Street

Four bedroom terrace house, open plan kitchen/living with heat pump. Small courtyard at rear. Rented at \$320pw for 2015.

\$200,000 - 8.3% Vendor: Australia Purchaser: Auckland



Dunedin Central

15 Melville Street

Two storey investment split into wo one bedroom two one bedroom flats, upstairs downstairs. Downstairs rented for \$230pw and upstairs rented at \$200pw.

\$160,000 - 13.9% Vendor: Dunedin Purchaser: Dunedin



Considering selling?

We have buyers waiting in all price ranges.

Currently for sale



29 Melrose Street

Maori Hill studios consisting of two blocks of units split into 12 studios in the lower block, 11 in the upper block. Each studio is self-contained with kitchenettes and full bathrooms. Fach block is serviced by a fully equipped common kitchen area plus laundry. With a gross income of approx \$281,000 landlord costs of approx \$37,000, giving a healthy nett income of \$244,000

\$2,250,000 - 12.5%





PRIME CAMPUS

4 Dundas Street

A multiple income stream investment with good rental history and in a great location! Comprising of a six bedroom villa, two, six bedroom purpose villa, two, six occinom purpose built flats and a five bedroom purpose built flat all on one title, this property has been well maintained over the years. Garage plus off street parking. Rental income stream of \$155,064 pa. Developers note: 1482m² Res 3 zoning. 32 room capable. \$1,815,000 - 8.5%

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PRIME CAMPUS 10 Elder Street

This split level quality investment consists of: Upstairs - five good sized bedrooms, full bathroom pedrooms, full balmoom plus second toilet, open plan living, a rear deck and city views. Downstairs - five large bedrooms, open plan living, full bathroom, plus a sleep out with an ensuite. Both flats come with heat pumps. Total rental of \$70,304pa. Single garage at street level.

\$959,000 - 7.33%





PRIME CAMPUS 16 London Street

Right in the heart of the city, so close to medical and dentistry in an incredibly popular location. This house has iconic status with six studio rooms (two with ensuites) and two additional bathrooms. Fully tenanted at

\$695,000 - 8.64% gross



\$1,155pw.





Dunedin Central 97 Elm Row

Substantial renovated villa in three flats. Quiet location, only a short walk to Central City/George Street shops. Easily repeatable rents with a three way income stream split. On the main level one spacious four bedroom flat. Downstairs, four bedroom flat. At rear (main level) comfortable three bedroom flat. \$1025pw across the three flats. Well worth a look.

\$615,000 - 8.6%





City Rise 23 Duncan Street

This substantial 270m², 1920s villa on Central City Rise providing nine bedrooms is fully rented for 2015 at \$73,892 providing the owner with \$57,180 nett of landlord studio costs. Substantial work has been carried out and presentation is of a high standard. A low maintenance investment at a very good

\$599,000 - 9.5% nett





PRIME CAMPUS 7/700 Great King Street

Looking for a good long term investment, or a warm low maintenance flat for your son/daughter at Uni, look no further. This well maintained six bedroom purpose built flat, with two bathrooms is well chatteled, well located and Head leased by the University for 2015 at \$720pw. A short walk to most faculties.

\$549,000 - 9.81%









Central City 209 Cargill Street

This 246m² two Storey Villa never has a shortage of willing tenants wanting to witting tenants wanting to occupy its eight bedrooms and two living areas. Currently rented for \$1,080pw, plus \$40 for the garage, providing a healthy return for you as the new owner. Located only point to 'wall' to Manna Ped minutes' walk to Moana Pool and Central City.

\$739,000 - 7.9%













City Rise 163 Maitland Street

This imposing 260m² Villa has been sympathetically maintained, whilst being upgraded to offer tenants a touch of modern luxury. Separated into three flats, four bedroom upstairs and two one bedroom flats downstairs. Flat 1 rented at \$210pw, Flat 2 rented at \$275pw, Flat 3 rented at \$460pw for 2015

\$625,000 - 7.86%







PRIME CAMPUS

10/54 Anzac Avenue

This owner has spared no expense upgrading what was already a very popular investment. New designer kitchen, freshly painted & carpeted throughout. Updated bathrooms and a full list of quality chattels awaits you. Five double bedrooms, all with built in wardrobes and desks and all windows have been double glazed.

\$599,000 - 5.64%









PRIME CAMPUS 10-543 George Street

10-543 George Street
Located only minutes' walk to
the CBD and most University
faculties this six bedroom
purpose built unit is an ideal
long term investment or base
for your son or daughter at
University. Each room has builtin desks and wardrobes and
comes with bed bases. Large
open plan living that opens
onto a north facing courtyard.
Currently rented at \$750pw (50
weeks) \$39,000pa.

\$595,000 - 6.3%





Fringe Campus 17 Duchess Avenue

An easy walk to University, Hospital and CBD, this six bedroom, two storey house offers downstairs - three double bedrooms, laundry, toilet, large living, spacious kitchen/dining that opens to a sunny rear courtyard. Upstairs - three double bedrooms with good views and sun, plus family bathroom and separate toilet.Rented at \$750pw for 2015 & 2016.

\$525,000 - 7.43%











Under Offer





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North East Valley 9 Montague Street

Substantial refurbished single level Villa in 7 studio rooms. Comprising modern kitchen, gas cooking, 2 full modern bathrooms, gas hot water plus separate 3rd toilet. Fully rewired, heat pump in hallway and easy maintenance section. Fully furnished. Rented at \$11600w. A great investmer. \$1,160pw. A great investment and a positive cash flow. (Studio costs apply)

\$515,000 - 11.7%



Under Offer

Gardens 29 Carlyle Street

Very tidy low maintenance six bedroom flat in the heart of the Gardens' shopping centre. All bedrooms are a great size. Spacious modern kitchen and large lounge with heat pump. Two bathrooms with shower and toilet. Large outdoor area to kick back, plus plenty of off street parking. This is a top notch student flat. Currently rented at \$660pw until end of the year.

\$499,000

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investment. Only a minutes' walk to campus. Tidy villa with three bedrooms plus a modern two bedroom sleep out. Spacious living area, tidy kitchen and upgraded bathroom. Heat pump. Low maintenance rear courtyard andoff street parking. Currently tenanted for 2015 at \$620pw

\$465,000 - 6.9%









PRIME CAMPUS 275 Castle Street

Located in Prime Campus, minutes' walk to most faculties, including Central Library, Medical School and Dental School. Six bedroom villas on the town side of central library are scarce. Modern bathroom and lithebar form and kitchen/open plan living with heat pump. Easy care section. Room to improve.

Deadline Sale

Closing 4pm, Wednesday 24th June 2015 at our office, 578 George St, Dunedin







Tidy four bedroom prime campus Investment. Good living area through to kitchen and bathroom. Low maintenance section with rear courtyard. Only a few minutes' walk to University, and close to all amenities. Rented at \$440pw for 2015. Ideal for Kids at University 2016.

\$309,000 - 7.4%







2/63 Opoho Road

Tidy investment or great
for children at Uni. A freshly
painted purpose built property.
Students love the easy stroll
through the Botanic Gardens
to Uni and close proximity to
supermarket. Six spacious
bedrooms with inbuilt furniture
(two bedrooms on each level)
two bathrooms. Well insulated,
heat-pump and whiteware.
Currently advertised for 2015 at
\$480 per week.

\$290,000 - 8.6%









PRIME CAMPUS 18F Forth Street

Low maintenance unit, superbly located within a few minutes walk to Central Library, Polytechnic and Teachers College. Featuring six good sized bedrooms and spacious sunny living. Rented at \$690pw. A definite upside in the rents here with a spruce up.

Enquiries over \$480,000









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Central City 191 York Place

Low maintenance 1960's brick and tile home, comprising 4-5 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms. spacious kitchen, 1/2 living areas. Heatpump. Flat rear section with room for development. Great sun and only a few minutes walk to the Octagon and onto the Hospital, Dental School and University, Rented at \$450pw.

\$479,000









PRIME CAMPUS

861 George Street

Located on what's called the Golden Mile and with 426m2 of Res 3 zoned land, this property offers you an opportunity to add value This 190m2 two storey Villa is currently rented to six students at \$678pw for 2015. Opportunity to add rooms with Resource Consent. 9 room capable site.

\$459,000 - 7.7%





PRIME CAMPUS 6 Howe Street

This solid brick bungalow is located a short walk to faculties and a stone's throw to popular eateries. Rented to four students for 2015 at \$420pw gives you plenty of scope to renovate and add

\$309,000 - 7%





Under Offer





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Gardens **5A Ramsay Street**

Low maintenance investment built in 2003. Three good sized bedrooms plus sleep out. Modern kitchen/open plan living with heat pump and wood burner. Bathroom with bath and separate shower. Sunny deck and pleny of off street parking. Rented at \$448pw for 2015.

\$289,000 - 8%







Under Offer

Gardens 11 Carlyle Street

Very cute and well maintained three bedroom plus sleepout investment in the heart of the Gardens shopping zone. Tidy throughout, main bathroom and second shower. Rear sunny deck, low maintenance section and off-street parking. New ceiling insulation. Currently let at \$428pw for

\$279,000 - 8%

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Mornington 9 Patrick Street

This tidy villa is split into two flats. A nicely renovated two bedroom flat in the front rented at \$260 per week. The rear one bedroom flat has a long term tenant paying \$185pw. Large spacious rear vard completes this investment opportunity.

\$279,000 - 8.3%

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North East Valley 43 Chambers Street

Four bedrooms plus a sleepout. Open plan living/ kitchen with a dishwashei Two heat pumps, underfloor and ceiling insulation and a HRV system. Rented at \$450pw for 2015. Short walk to the Garden's shopping precinct and onto University.

Deadline Sale Closing 4pm, Tuesday 23rd June 2015 at our office, 578 George St, Dunedin





Fringe Campus 160 Queen Street

Looking for first investment or flat for your children whilst at University. Four bedroom villa elevated for great sun and amazing views over North Dunedin, Includes heat pump and all whiteware. Great chance to enter the market. Rented at \$396pw until 31st December 2015. Advertised at \$420pw for 2016.

\$249,000 - 8.26%

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Opoho 20 Warden Street

Located just up from the Gardens Shopping area. These very tidy flats have always been an easy let. Two bedroom flat at front of house and a one bedroom flat at rear (new kitchen). Total rental income of \$460pw for 2015. Easy care well maintained grounds. Opportunity to improve and increase rents or move in and collect rent from the other

\$259,000 - 9.2%





North East Valley 41 Chambers Street

Freshly painted throughout and elevated to receive good sun. Three bedrooms plus sleep out. Heat pump and HRV system. Great deck overlooking the Gardens area. Rented for 2015 at \$340pw. Only a short walk to the Gardens' shopping centre.

Deadline Sale Closing 4pm, Tuesday 23rd June 2015 at our office, 578 George St,

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Gardens 42 Gladstone Road

Four bedrooms plus a sleep out. Tidy kitchen/dining area with pot belly stove and a separate lounge. Upgraded bathroom. Comes with all whiteware and heatpump. Carport. Rented for 2015 at \$370pw and always popular with the senior students. Well presented with most of the upgrades already completed over the past years. deal for son or daughter for 2016.

\$235,000 - 8.3%





Gardens

46 Gladstone Road

Very tidy 3 bedroom investment rented at \$285pw until the end of the year. The location is handy to the Gardens' shopping centre and on to University. With interest rates at historical lows, this is a very good time to be locking in for the security of a fixed rate for a number of years. Off street parking with sarrout street parking with carport. Heat pump.

\$215,000





Gardens 41c North Road

Low maintenance one bedroom unit with carpark. Ideally located right in the heart of the Gardens shopping precinct. Very tidy and well presented. Rented at \$240pw

\$195,000 - 6.4%





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