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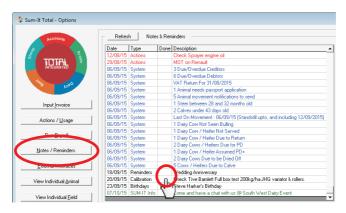
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1. Notes & Reminders

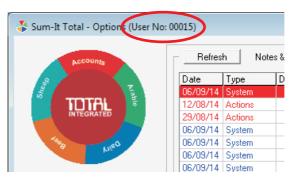
Once you've finished with a Note or Reminder on the Total Options screen, tick in the **Done** column to hide it from view.

 You can view all Notes & Reminders (including hidden ones) by clicking the Notes/Reminders button.



2. Speed up support calls with your user number

To help the Support Team handle support calls more efficiently, please quote your user number, which Total now displays in the caption at the top of your Total screens.





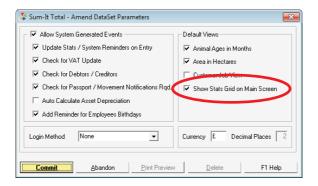
3. Front Screen Graphs & Statistics

The Farm Statistics on the Total Options Screen are shown by default as graphs, but they can also be shown as figures.





 To show figures, enter Total Configuration - Dataset - Parameters then double click Show Stats Grid and tick Show Stats Grid on Main Screen.



4. Automatically Save Outgoing Emails

You can save a copy of any report/invoice etc that is emailed from Total this is useful for keeping records. To use this feature, go to **Total Configuration - Data Set - Parameters** and complete the **Email Bcc address**. A copy of all outgoing emails will be emailed to this address.



5. Quickly Find Animals in a Grid

Whenever the Grid on the right appears, e.g. selling animals or block booking treatments, you can quickly create a list of selected animals as follows.

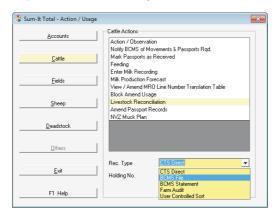
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	UK117456570017	0717	Heifer		

- Left-click in the list (anywhere except the Tag column!) so the yellow bar shows somewhere.
- Type part of an animal code or eartag then press Enter and Total will show the first matching animal. Press Ctrl-N to see other matching animals or Ctrl-S to return to the first matching animal.
- Continue with typing the next animal to find then **Enter** and so on.
- It tells you at the top of the grid how many you have tagged so far.

6. BCMS Reconciliation & Farm Audit

Total makes it easy to compare and reconcile the animals you have in Total Dairy/Beef with your BCMS records.

 You can also produce a list of Bovines on farm on a specific date (Farm Audit), this is useful for your Accountant at Year End.

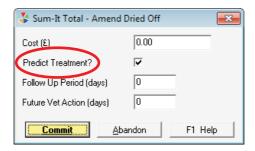




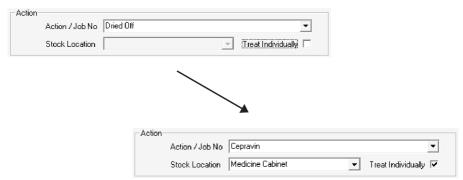
7. Predictive Treatments

Total can help remind you of treatments that normally accompany livestock events/actions, for example if you Dry Off a cow the program can predict the treatment you used last time.

 Click on Total Configuration - Deadstock - Events/Actions and then choose e.g. Livestock Actions. Double click an existing entry or add a new entry and tick the Predict Treatment? Box.



- Now record an event/action for an animal and then record a treatment for this animal on the same date.
- Subsequent recordings of this event/action will then prompt with this treatment.



Full instructions are in **F1 Help - How Do I? - Use Predictive Treatments**.



8. Correcting Calves with Incorrect DAM

To correct a calving recorded against the wrong DAM:

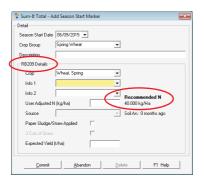
- Find the **Calf** through **View Individual Animal**.
- Enter the Genealogy tab and double click the LEFT HAND Box showing the calf's EarTag, Name, Ped No.
- Change the DAM eartag.
- Finally, check the Sire eartag and (after committing the eartag changes) check the calf's breed. Sire Eartag and calf breed may have been automatically set from the previous (wrong) DAM.



9. RB209 Records & Recommendations

When adding a new Crop Season Start Marker, Total can record RB209 information and show Nitrogen Recommendations.

 Switch this on through Total Configuration - Field - Parameters -Record RB209 Information.



Full details are in **F1 Help - Field - RB209 Fertiliser Recommendations**.



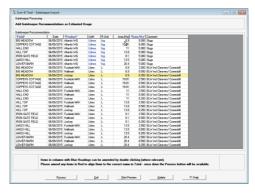
10. Import Workplans from Gatekeeper

As well as from Muddy Boots Crop Walker, the Standard Field Module can now import Spray Plans from your Agronomist's GateKeeper software.

- Ask your Agronomist to now generate and email you two files from Gatekeeper, the usual PDF of the Spray Plan and ALSO the Third Party Export file in CSV format.
- Save the CSV file from the email onto your PC and then, in Standard Total Field, import it through External Interfaces -Import Data. Then navigate to the csv file and tick to import.



 Field and Product Names will need to be the same in both programs so at the GateKeeper Import Screen, you can amend/edit the content to suit, including adding new products.



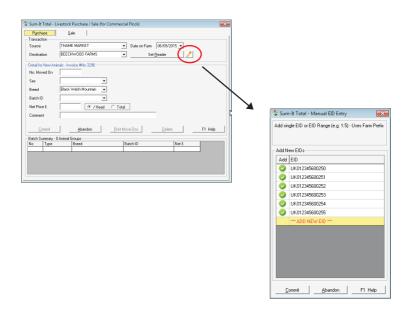
Click on the **F1 Help** button for further guidance on this facility.



11. Manual EID Entry

When recording purchases/actions in Starter Sheep, you can manually add EIDs by clicking the Pencil icon.

- EIDs can be entered as a single line or as a range based on your flock prefix, e.g. entering 1:5 will generate 5 EIDs based on the prefix set in Total Configuration.
- Ranges of EIDs can also be generated for an entered prefix i.e.
 UK0123456 | 250:275 .

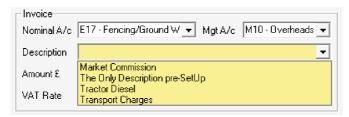


Manual Entry can also be set as the default mode for loading EID's via **Total Configuration - Sheep - Parameters.**



12. Standard Descriptions

When entering an invoice, in the Description field you can either type a description manually or choose from the pre-set descriptions this can save time, keep data entry standardised and help with Selective Reports.



- You can change/add to the pre-set descriptions by pressing F3/F2 respectively when you are entering a description through Input Invoice.
- Alternatively, change/add to the pre-set descriptions through Total
 Configuration DataSet Standard Descriptions Accounts.

13. Paying Utilities etc by Standing Order

Do you pay utility bills by regular standing order and receive a periodic quarterly/yearly invoice? Total makes it easy to handle both.

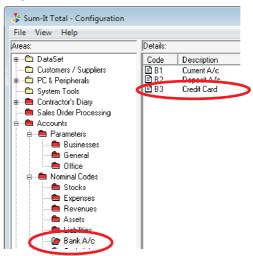
- Set up a new Liability Account and enter your monthly standing order as a transfer from your Bank Account to the Liability Account.
- When the invoice arrives, input it as normal to the relevant expense code and mark it as paid from the Liability account.
- The balance on the Liability Account will agree with your utility statement, you can check this through the Capital Flow Report or Audit Trail.



14. Using Bank Accounts to manage Credit Cards

In Total, you can use a Bank Account to manage a credit card.

- Visit Total Configuration Accounts Nominal Codes Bank A/C and in the menu at the top of the screen click View Full List.
- If you have no spare bank accounts showing, increase your number of bank accounts by 1 through Total Configuration -Accounts - Parameters - General - No. Bank Accounts. Then return to the Bank A/C screen.



- Setup a new Bank Account (e.g. B3) and name it after your Credit Card.
- Now you can record credit card purchases to the new credit card account (e.g. B3) and record repayments as transfers from e.g. B1 to B3.
- You can also reconcile your credit card purchases and payments in the normal way through Actions/Usage - Reconcile Bank by selecting your credit card account.

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