The Jira worklog utility

The jira_worklog utility allows you to enter your Jira worklog entries as easy and simple as possible from the command line. The main objective for this utility is speed. If you don't like command line applications, don't use this tool:-)

This utility will let you add your work log entries in less than 1 second.

A quick status report for the last 30 days typically executes in less than 1 second.

All entries added to Jira will also be written to a local Sqlite database, which allows reports to be generated very fast.

This database is also used for status reports.

The local database may be synchronised with Jira using the sync sub command.

Disclaimer: Network latency and the response time of Jira is the main culprit of any delays

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- # Add one day of work to Jira issue TIME-94
 jira_worklog add -i time-94 -d 1d

 # Give me a status of all work log entries for the last 30 days
 jira_worklog status

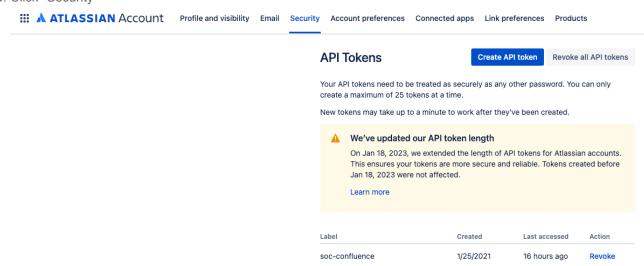
 # Give me status for the last 30 days for time-94 and time-40
 jira_worklog status -i time-94 time-40

See the detailed examples below for more details.

Installation

Once you have downloaded and installed jira_worklog in your path. Like, for instance, \$HOME/.local/bin:

- 1. Obtain a Jira API security token from:
 - i. Log in to Jira
 - ii. Click on the picture of yourself in the upper right corner ("Your profile and settings")
 - iii. Click "Manage account"
 - iv. Click "Security"



- v. Choose "Create and manage API tokens" almost at the bottom of the page
- vi. Click "Create your API token" and copy the token to your clip board
- 2. Execute this command to create the configuration file:

Using curl to verify your security token

Here is how you can retrieve data from Jira using the curl utility from the command line:

```
curl --request GET \
    --url 'https://autostore.atlassian.net/rest/api/2/myself' \
    --user '<your email here>@autostoresystem.com:<paste your security token here>' \
    --header 'Accept: application/json'
```

Installing on macOS

There are some extra security built into the macOS which prevents you from running potential malware. Consequently, you will see this error message if you attempt to run jira_worklog:



To fix this:

Move to the directory where you installed
cd [to_the_directory_where_you_have_installed_jira_worklog]

chmod a+rx ./jira_worklog && xattr -d com.apple.quarantine ./jira_worklog

This should solve the problem.

Notes on security

The configuration file is stored without encryption in a location, which depends on the operating system you are using. See the table below for details.

If you think your machine has been compromised, go to Jira account ira and "Revoke" the API key.

macOS specifics for the Jira Security token

On macOS, the Jira Security Access Token is stored in the built-in KeyChain.

When jira_worklog attempts to access your macOS Keychain, this window will pop up. It is a good idea to press Always Allow to save you some time :-)



Here is a neat command to work with security tokens and passwords on macOS:

This will list the entire contents of the `jira_worklog` entry from the keychain security find-generic-password -s com.autostoresystem.jira_worklog -a your.name@company.com -g

Removing local configuration files

You can remove your local configuration file using the command: jira_worklog config --remove

Operating system	Config file location
macOS:	/Users/\${USER}/Library/Preferences/com.autostore.jira_worklog
Windows:	C:\Users\%USERNAME%\AppData\Roaming\com.autostore\jira_worklog\config
Linux:	/home/\${USER}/.config/jira_worklog

Note! For macOS: The Jira Security Access token stored in the Keychain, will not be deleted

How to specify the duration

You can specify the duration of your work using weeks, days, hours and minutes.

The syntax is pretty straight forward, you simply specify a number followed by the unit. To combine units, simply concatenate them. The formal syntax is described below. Note that <number> represents any positive number using either , or . as the decimal separator. However, you may not specify fractions of minutes (for obvious reasons):

<number>w<number>d<number>h<integer number>m

Here is an example using all the possible options:

Specify a duration of 1,5 week, 2,5 days, 5,25 hours and 30min like this jira_worklog add -i time-158 -d 1,5w2,5d5,25h30min

Local database file

The local database file can be found here:

Operating System	Local Sqlite database file
macOS	/Users/\${USER}/Library/Application Support/com.autostore.jira_worklog/worklog.db
Windows	C:\Users%USERNAME%\AppData\Roaming\jira_worklog\worklog.db
Linux	/home/\${LOGNAME}/.local/share/jira_worklog/worklog.db

NOTE! I have neither access to a Windows nor a Linux system, so the specified paths might not be correct.

Examples

Here are some examples on how to use the utility.

Adding worklog entries

```
# Registers 1 hour of work on TIME-94 with a comment
# The starting point will be current time less 1 hour
jira_worklog add -i time-94 -d 1h -c "I did some great work for AutoStore"

# Registers 1 hour of work on TIME-94 at 11:00 today without a comment
jira_worklog add -i time-94 -d 1h -s 11:00

# Registers 1 day of work (7.5h) on TIME-94, starting at 08:00 today, no comments
jira_worklog add -i time-94 -d 1d

# Registers 1 day (7.5 hours) of work starting at 08:00 today with no comment
jira_worklog add -i time-94 -d 1d

# Add 1d of work last friday, 1d of work on last thursday, 4h of work
# last Wednesday and 1,5h on last Tuesday
jira_worklog add -i time-94 -d Fri:1d Thu:1d Wed:4h Tue:1,5h
```

Given this command:

jira_worklog add -i time-94 -d 13h -c "Meetings and managerial work"

You will get a receipt looking something like this:

Adding single entry

Using these parameters as input:

Issue: TIME-94

Started: 2023-06-05T08:12:31.467244-06:00 (computed)

Duration: 46800s

Comment: Meetings and managerial work

Added work log entry Id: 217258 Time spent: 1d 5h 30m Time spent in seconds: 46800 Comment: Meetings a

Status of your worklog entries

```
▶ #
```

Shows the status from a given date

jira_worklog status -i time-40 time-147 time-117 -a 2023-05-01

This would give you something like this:

```
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```

Issue	IssueId	Id	Weekday	Started			Time spent	Comment
TIME-147	211874	331947	Fri	2024-11-01	08:00	+0100	07:30	
TIME-147	211874	332376	Mon	2024-11-04	09:21	+0100	07:30	
TIME-147	211874	333744	Tue	2024-11-05	08:00	+0100	07:30	
TIME-147	211874	333745	Wed	2024-11-06	08:00	+0100	07:30	
TIME-147	211874	333746	Thu	2024-11-07	08:00	+0100	07:30	
TIME-147	211874	333747	Fri	2024-11-08	08:00	+0100	07:30	
TIME-147	211874	334641	Mon	2024-11-11	08:00	+0100	07:30	
TIME-147	211874	334642	Tue	2024-11-12	08:00	+0100	07:30	
TIME-147	211874	335773	Wed	2024-11-13	08:00	+0100	07:30	
TIME-147	211874	335774	Thu	2024-11-14	08:00	+0100	04:00	
TIME-147	211874	336668	Tue	2024-11-19	08:00	+0100	07:30	
TIME-147	211874	337500	Tue	2024-11-19	08:00	+0100	07:30	
TIME-147	211874	337501	Wed	2024-11-20	08:00	+0100	07:30	
TIME-147	211874	337502	Thu	2024-11-21	08:00	+0100	07:30	Bla bla bla
TIME-155	214674	336667	Mon	2024-11-18	08:00	+0100	05:00	Lysaker - Gardermoen - Vats
TIME-166	219027	336669	Sat	2024-11-16	08:00	+0100	02:00	
TIME-166	219027	336665	Sun	2024-11-17	08:00	+0100	01:00	

CW 44 from 2024-10-28 to 2024-11-03

Time code	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Total
TIME-147	_	_	_	_	07:30	_	_	07:30
TIME-155	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	00:00
TIME-166	-	_	-	_	-	-	-	00:00
Week total	-	_	-	_	07:30	-	-	07:30
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====

TIME-166 219027 336666 Mon 2024-11-18 08:00 +0100 07:30

CW 45 from 2024-11-04 to 2024-11-10

Time code	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Total
TIME-147	07:30	07:30	07:30	07:30	07:30	_	_	37:30
TIME-155	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	00:00
TIME-166	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	00:00

Week total	07:30 ====	07:30 =====	07:30 =====	07:30 =====	07:30 =====	- =====	_ =====	37:30 =====
CW 46 from 2024 Time code					Fri	Sat	Sun	Total
TIME-147 TIME-155 TIME-166	07:30 - -	-	-	-		_	_	00.00
Week total	07:30 ====	07:30 ====	07:30 ====	04:00 =====	_	02:00 ====	01:00 =====	29:30 =====
CW 47 from 2024 Time code					Fri	Sat	Sun	Total
TIME-147 TIME-155 TIME-166	05:00	-	-	-	_	_		30:00 05:00 07:30
Week total	12:30 =====	15:00 =====	07:30 =====	07:30 =====		 		42:30 =====

Create a status report from most used time codes

If you omit the --issue option, a list of unique time codes will be obtained from the local journal on your machine.

jira_worklog status

Removing entries

We all make mistakes every now then. To remove an entry you need to specify the <code>issueId</code> or key and the worklog id:

Removes a work log entry for issue TIME-94 with worklog id of 216626 jira_worklog del -i time-94 -w 216626

The entry will also be removed from the local journal.

Synchronising the local database with Jira

To ensure that your local database reflects the current content in Jira, you may use the sub-command sync . All unique time codes found in the local database, will be synchronised with Jira by downloading the data from Jira and replacing the data in the local database.

- # Synchronise all time codes found in the local database going back 30 days jira_worklog sync
 - # Synchronise the specified time codes going after the supplied start date jira_worklog sync -i time-155 -s 2024-10-01

```
# Synchronise multiple time codes
jira_worklog sync -i time-155 -i time-166
```

The output looks something like this:

Listing all available time codes

If you want a complete list of all the available time codes:

jira_worklog codes

Output:

```
TIME-164 ASIO - Sustaining
TIME-163 Service Vehicles - Sustaining
TIME-162 Service Wall - Sustaining
TIME-161 Amazon UWA6 - Customer Project
TIME-160 Cloud Infrastructure & DevOps
TIME-159 1214 Qubit Product Improvement 2024
TIME-158 1215 Robot Radio Wifi
TIME-157 1213 Green Train Release Spring 2025 - Test & Validation
TIME-156 1212 Green Train Release Spring 2025 - Cube Control Software
TIME-155 Travel
TIME-154 Product Management
TIME-153 Product Safety
TIME-152 Scalability - Sustaining
TIME-151 Log Analyzer - Sustaining
TIME-150 Facility Management
TIME-148 Training and Education
TIME-147 Administration
TIME-146 UX - Sustaining
TIME-145 Port Software - Sustaining
. . . . . . . . . .
```

Debug

A log-file is created behind the scenes if you use the --verbosity option, which allows for debugging:

jira_worklog status -i time-40 -v debug

Output would look something like this:

jira_worklog status -i TIME-40 -v debug

Version: 0.2.7

Logging to /var/folders/ll/ywcp72091yv33vkts306qs0r0000gn/T/jira_worklog.log

 Issue
 IssueId
 Id
 Weekday
 Started
 Time spent

 TIME-40
 85002
 304588
 Mon
 2024-08-05 08:00 +0200
 07:30

 TIME-40
 85002
 304589
 Tue
 2024-08-06 08:00 +0200
 07:30

..... lots of data

You can specify one of debug , info , warn or error