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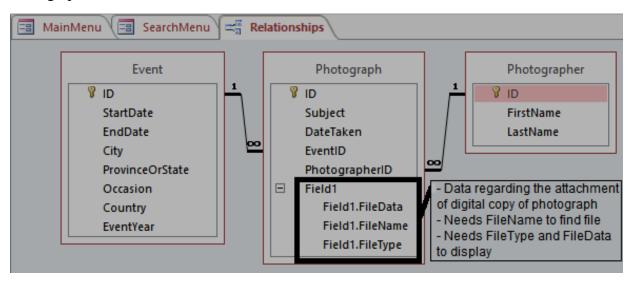
### **Overall Structure**

The photographs database is made up of 3 tables and queries, forms and reports used to help the user find records in these tables easily.

# Relationships

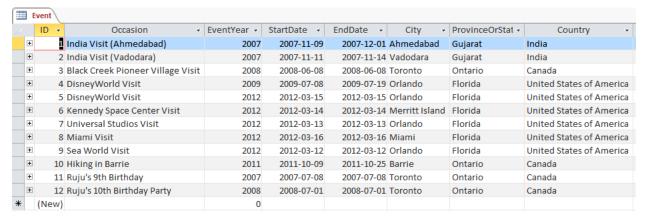
Event: Photograph = 1: Many - Many photographs can be taken at an event, but one photograph cannot be taken at many events; there is an EventID field in the Photograph table.

Photograph: Photographer = Many: 1 - Many photographs can be taken by one photographer, but many photographers cannot take one photo; there is a PhotographerID field in the Photograph table as well.



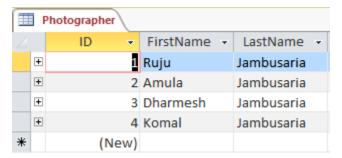
### **Event Table**

Event table is required to put in details about where the picture was taken. Also used to group pictures together when looking for pictures from one event.



# Photographer Table

Photographer table is used to put in details about who took the picture, including name and an ID number as the keyfield because people sometimes have the same name and so that it's easy to reuse photographers in the photograph records. Used to give ownership of the picture to people.



# Photograph Table

Photograph table is required as it's the main table that will be used to organize the pictures. It holds details about each picture including the ID number as a keyfield, the picture itself, the subject of the picture, when it was taken, and the event and photograph IDs which are foreign keys.

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	2 (1)	Kite Flying	2007-11-11	1	2				
	3 (1)	Kite Flying	2007-11-11	1	2				
	4 @(1)	Kite Flying	2007-11-11	1	2				
	5 (1)	Group Photo	2007-11-13	2	2				
		Riding a motorcycle	2007-11-13	2	2				
		Sleeping Dogs	2007-11-16	1	1				
		Carousel Ride	2007-11-16	1	2				
		Group Photo	2007-11-16	1	2				
		Ferris Wheel	2007-11-16	1	2				
		Playing Cricket	2007-11-18	1	2				
		Playing Cricket	2007-11-18	1	2				
		Playing Cricket	2007-11-18	1	2				
		Group photo	2007-11-20	1	2				
		Close Up	2007-11-20	1	2				
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		Lunch at a Restaurant	2007-11-20	1	2				
		Donkeys	2007-11-21	1	2				
		Group Photo	2007-11-21	1	2				
		Group Photo	2007-11-21	1	1				
		Landscape	2007-11-21	1	1				
		Landscape	2007-11-21	1	1				
	24 🗓(1)	Group Photo	2007-11-22	2	2				

# **Complex Features**

# Splash Screen

Welcomes the user in a visually-appealing way. Pictures of nature de-stress Amula, so a close up of a butterfly is used. Automatically leads to the main menu after 2 seconds for convenience.<sup>1</sup>



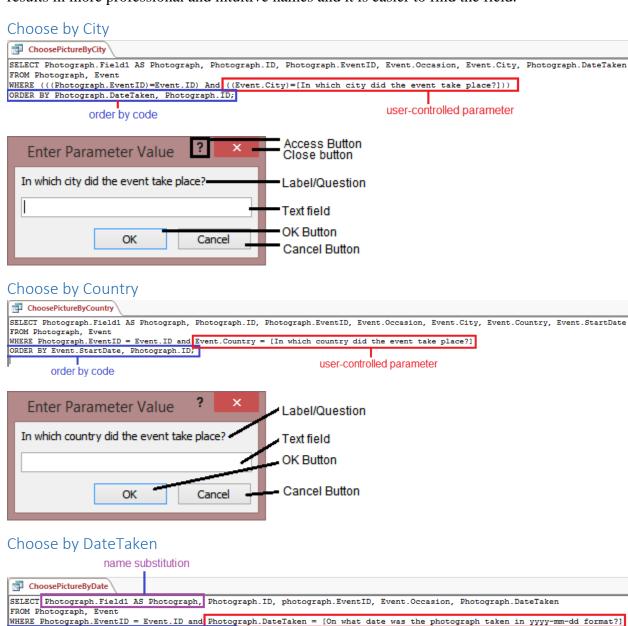
# Complex Queries + SQL to Develop a Back-End Database

The screenshots below show the SQL code for all queries for which users input information about what they would like to see. When these queries are run, a dialog box asking for user input appears. It's convenient for users to be able to search for what they want to save time. Amula wants all of these queries so that she can search using whatever parameters she wants or has available. When the user uses these queries, the result that shows up will be a report of a datasheet in order to 1) show the picture associated with each record, 2) have a way to navigate back to different menus, and 3) be able to export the report into a PDF file. Below are the SQL codes, and dialog boxes for each query. Some include export windows or error messages.

The labels/questions ask for the user to input specific information which can be any type of data unless it's a date or ID number which is accompanied with a clarification that provides further instructions on what is needed. Sometimes, the clarification is "OK if unknown" which informs the user that they can leave the box blank if they don't know the information and proceed. The text fields allow the user to enter information which will become the parameters in queries. The OK button puts the user's parameters into the query and runs it. It then shows the datasheet or the report based on the datasheet, depending on what is run. However, only the customized reports will be shown to the user because they cannot access the queries alone through the buttons in the database. The cancel and close buttons close the dialog box without running the query while the Access button opens Access 2013's own help window.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Dev. "Creating a Microsoft Access Splash Screen:." Creating a Splash Screen. N.p., n.d. Web. 2 Jan. 2015.

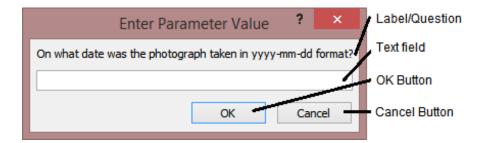
Joins link tables with each other so that the datasheet and reports are generated correctly and ensure data from both tables relate to the correct records. In Order By, records that share the same data are then sorted by the next field specified. With User-Entered Parameters, the query opens a dialog box and runs user's input. When match is found in database, the condition is run and creates a datasheet. The dialog box specifies what should be entered and contains clarification sometimes. For Year and EventID, a numerical value is needed and for date, value in proper format is needed. Otherwise an error message is shown. FieldName AS DisplayName results in more professional and intuitive names and it is easier to find the field.



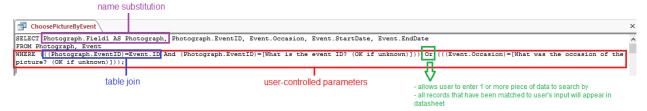
user-controlled parameter

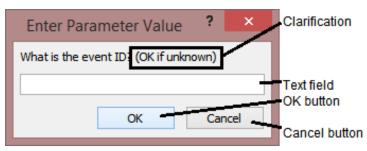
ORDER BY Photograph.DateTaken, Photograph.ID;

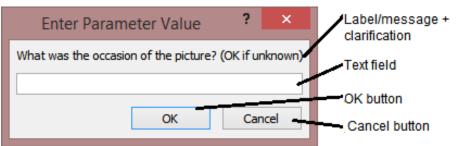
order by code



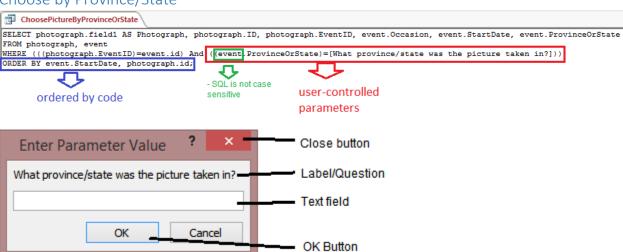
### Choose By Event



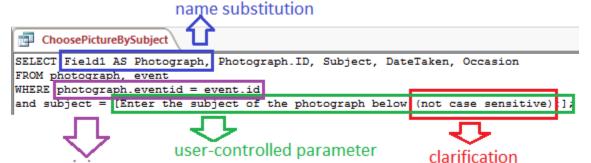


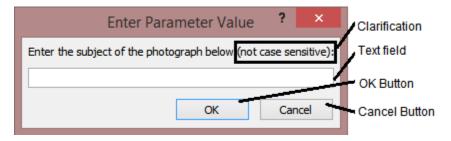


### Choose by Province/State

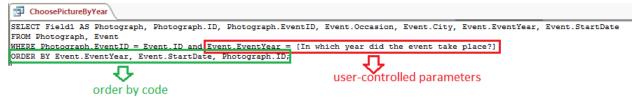


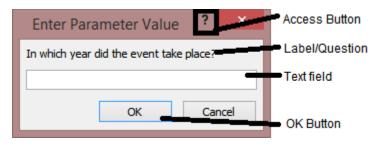
# Choose by Subject





## Choose by Year





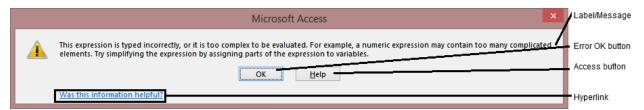
### Group By

The group by code must include all fields that will be shown in order for the query to run because otherwise, the query doesn't know which records belong to which group.

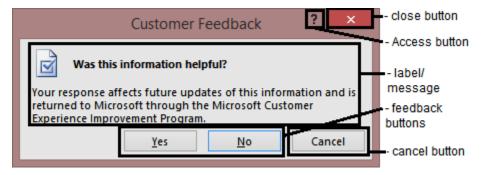


### Error Message

The label or message is standard for any error message and tells the user what they did wrong (i.e. typed an invalid expression). The hyperlink in the bottom left corner opens the customer feedback form.

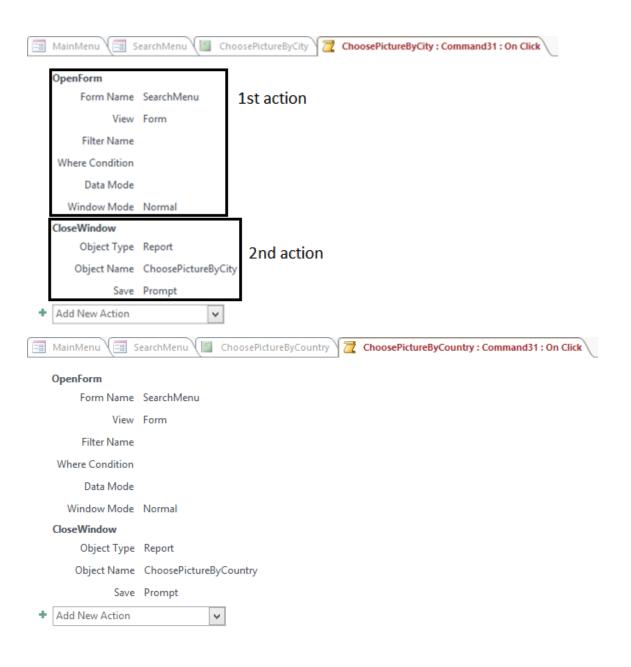


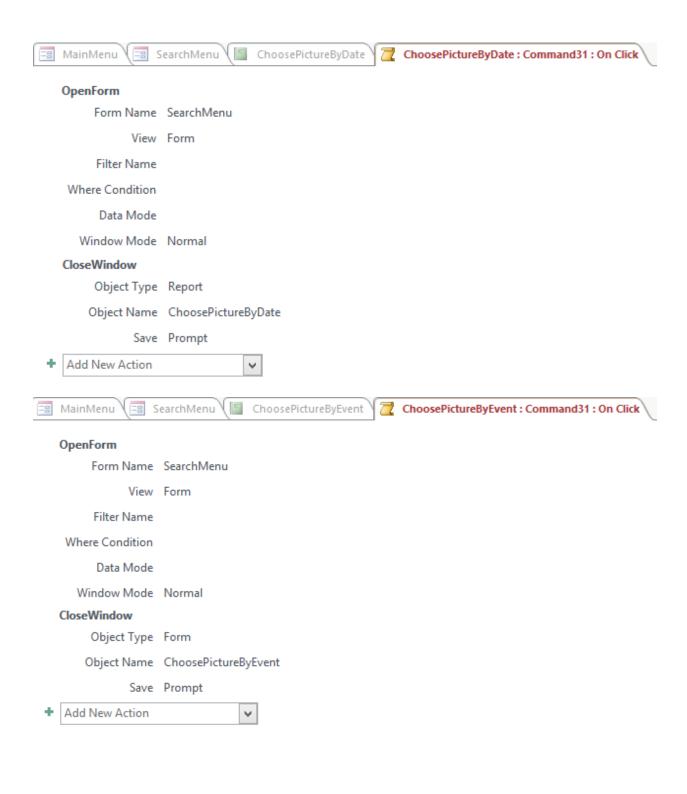
The customer feedback form sends a report to Microsoft if the user clicks the feedback buttons.

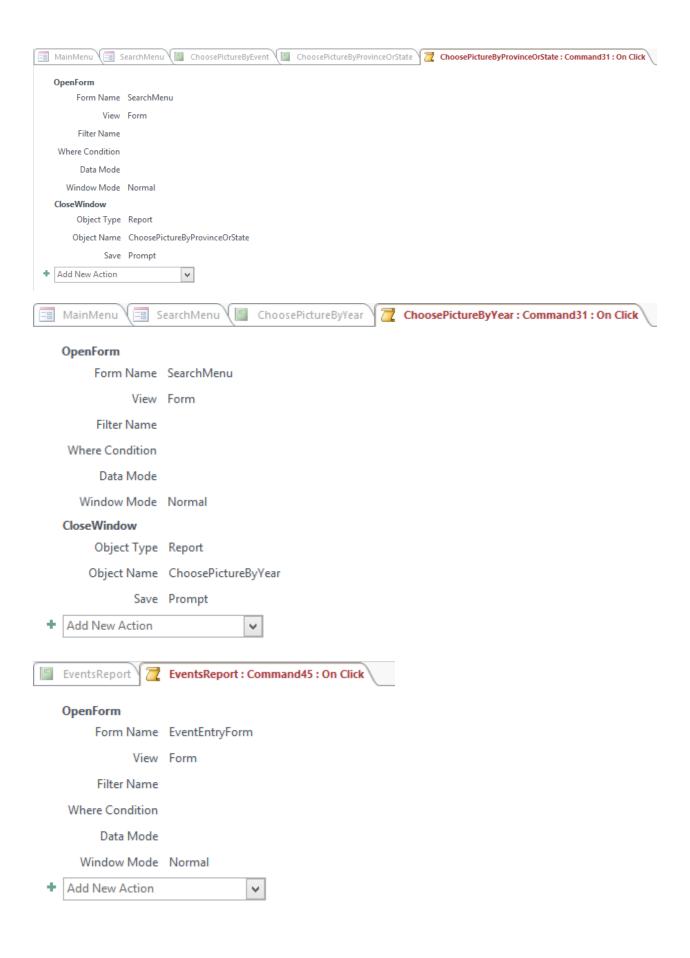


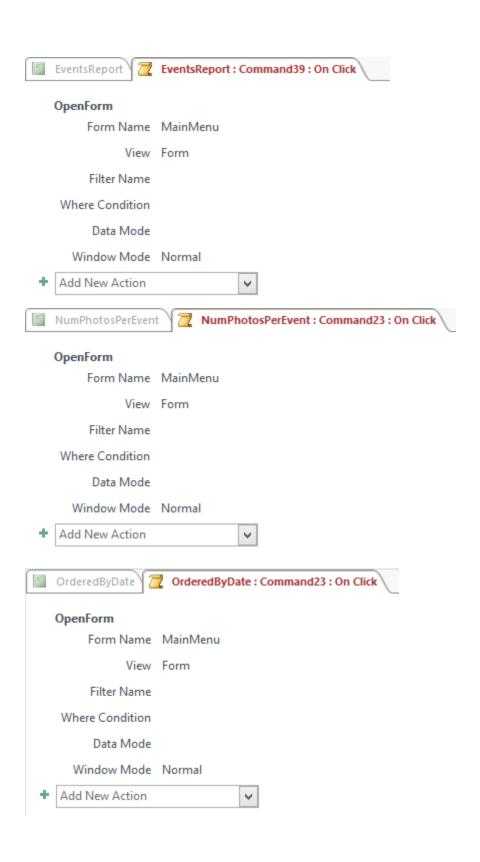
### Use of Macros

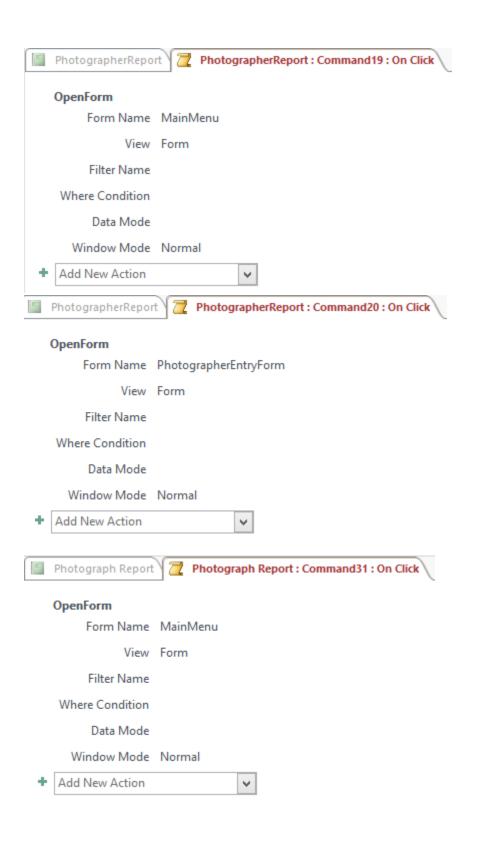
Macros were mainly used in reports to navigate to another page or perform a function such as export. Below are screenshots of the scripting environment which was used to create the macros.

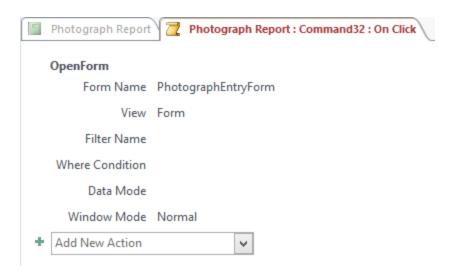








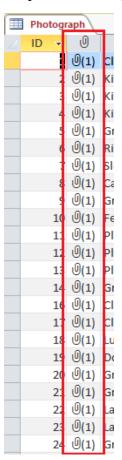




# Use of Graphics Fields

Since this is a photographs database, it requires the user of a graphics field in order for the photographs to be seen.

Graphics in table (attachment):



# Graphics in reports:

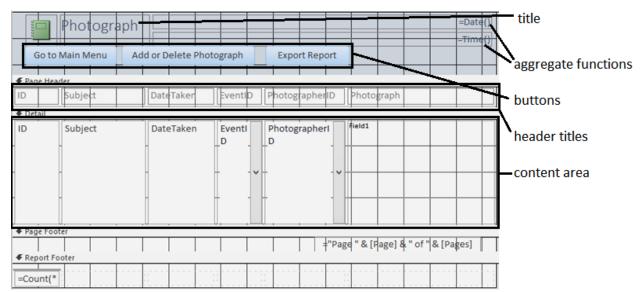


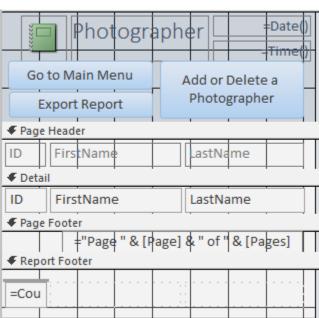
Entry field to add photographs to a record:

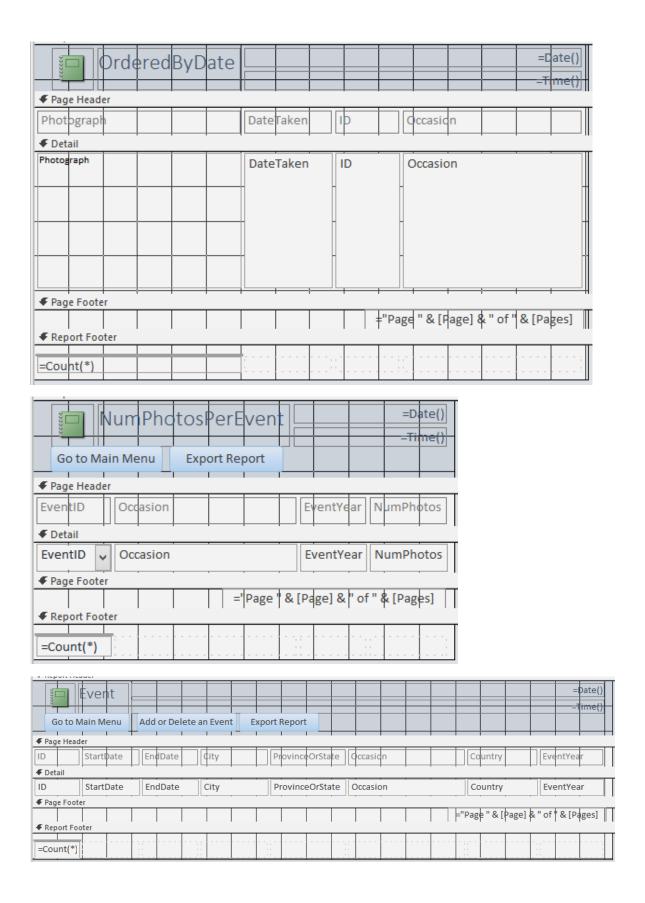


# Proficient Design of Reports and Forms

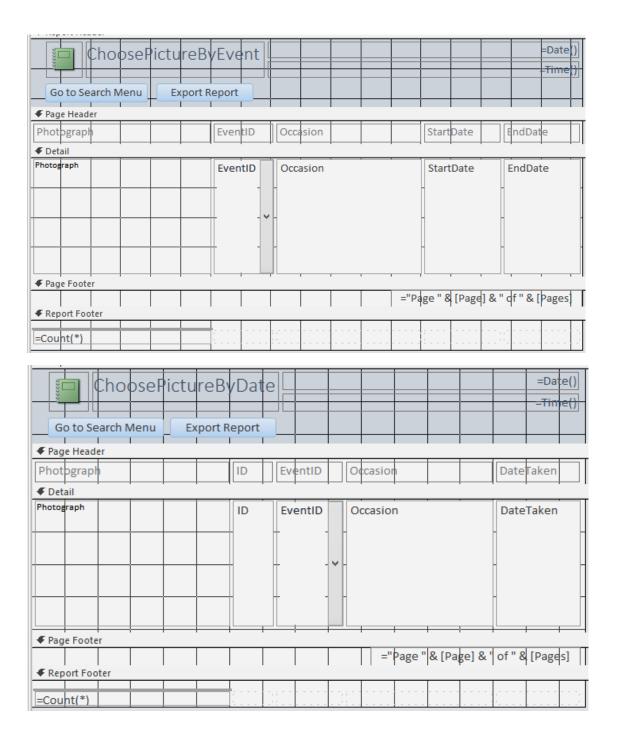
All reports, as shown below, are formatted so that no space is wasted. Buttons are located in the headers section. Photographs are given enough space so that the user can see them easily.







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# Proficient Use of Techniques to Enable Easy Navigation

#### Main Menu

Allows easy navigation of the database. Includes easy access to all reports that summarize tables and give statistical information and forms which lead to other reports. It's labelled in a user-friendly way to ensure no problems are experienced.



### First, Previous, Next, Last Function

They have an intuitive design and layout. They allow navigation between records in the entry forms so that the user is able to see records for reference or delete them.



#### **Buttons**

Buttons are used throughout the database for user convenience. The user can always navigate from a screen to another menu. This applies also for the search menu and add/delete menu. Mainly buttons are used to navigate through the whole database. The user doesn't need to use the navigation bar on the left of the database.<sup>2</sup>

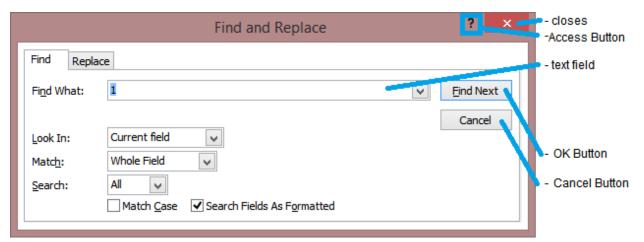
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> "What's New in Microsoft Access." Https://support.office.com. Microsoft Inc., n.d. Web. 2 Jan. 2015.



# **Entry Forms**

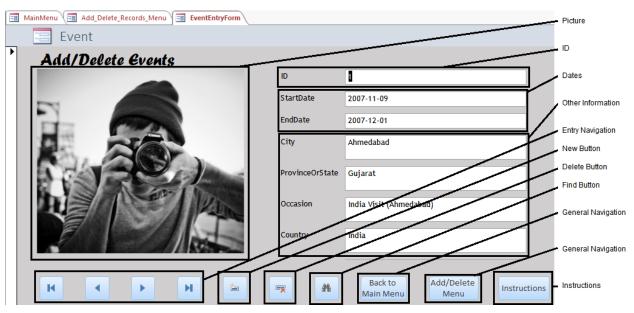
### **Find Function**

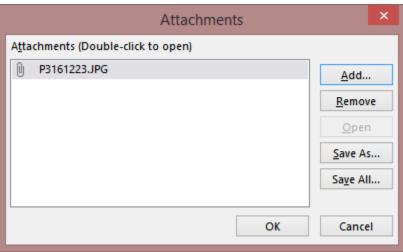
The text field allows the user to enter information about a record but unlike the queries, is not limited to one field. The button with "Find Next" on it acts as an OK button and runs the search while the cancel and close buttons close the dialog box.<sup>3</sup>

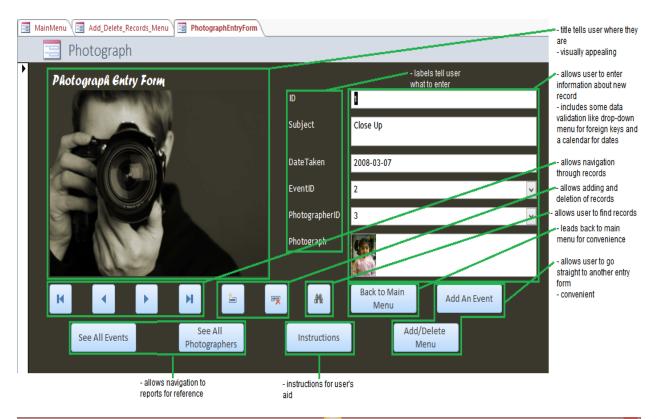


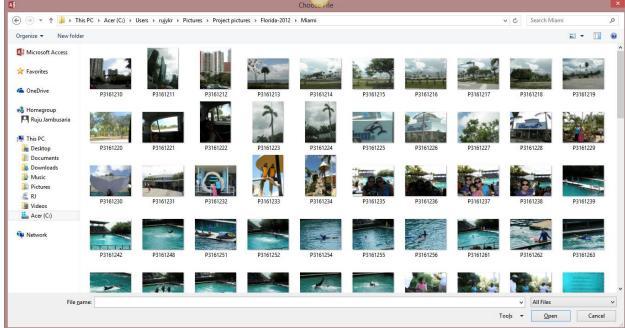
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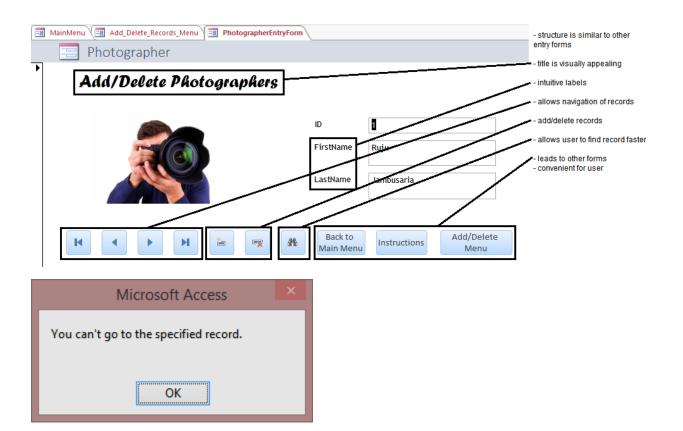








Above, you can choose an image to add to the database.



## Instructions Page

The purpose of the instructions page is to explain how to use the "add" and "delete" functions of the entry form. Both the title and subtitle are in sans-serif fonts. The title remains in the Forte font to maintain consistency. The instructions are in Times New Roman font and explain in detail how to add or delete a record. The navigation buttons allow easy navigation to the main menu and back to the entry forms.<sup>4</sup>

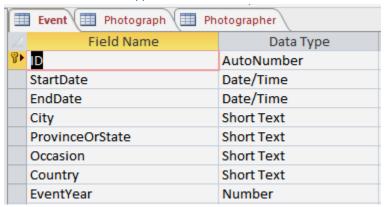


<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> "Create an Access Form." Create an Access Form. Microsoft, n.d. Web. 9 Dec. 2014.

# Five Data Types

All ID numbers must be auto numbers so that 1) no record ever has the same ID number as another and 2) it's a form of data validation and the data is reliable. The attachments are graphics and hold the photographs. The subject and other fields that require letters to be entered are short text to save storage space and prevent users from entering a lot of text which would become inconvenient. All dates are put into date types so that the functions associated with that data type can be used and to add a layer of data validation such as the calendar option when entering the data about the date. The foreign keys are made using lookup & relationship because it allows data validation when entering data through the use of drop-down menus. These data types are also used in the event and photographer tables. Foreign keys and the year field are also known as number data types as they simply hold numbers.

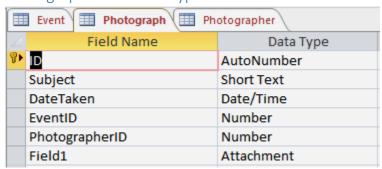
### **Event Table Data Types**



### Photographer Table Data Types



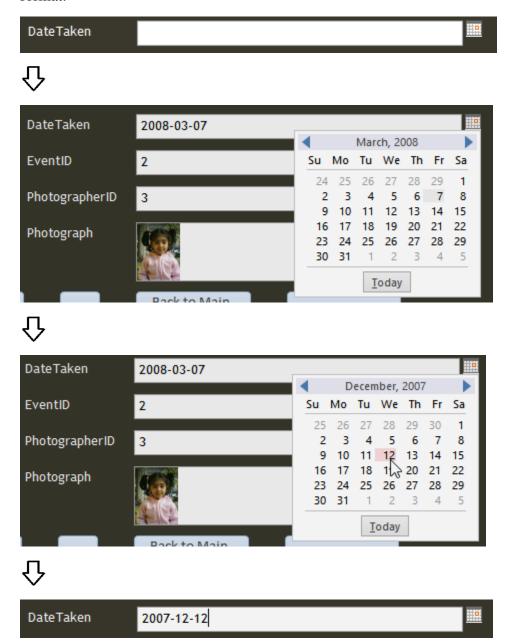
### Photograph Table Data Types



### Data Validation

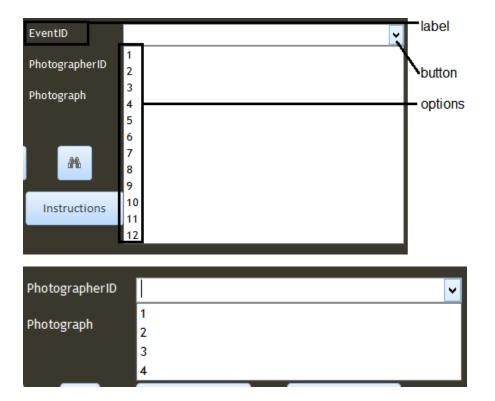
#### Calendar

The calendar allows the user to intuitively enter the date into the entry form while also ensuring the reliability of the data because the calendar converts the user's selection into the desired format.



### Drop Down Menu

It appears when the button is clicked. The drop down menu allows the user to choose an option from the ones shown. The options shown are the only options that are valid, thus preventing the user from entering invalid data.



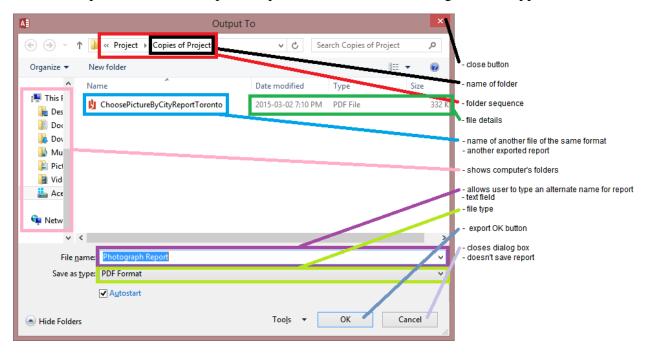
If a user enters an invalid ID (one that is not from the drop down menu) by typing it, they will receive the following message as soon as they try to navigate away from the page:



Therefore, the user is unable to input invalid data into the date and ID fields.

# **Exporting**

After the export button at the top of a report is clicked, the following window appears:



It is the same window that appears for any file management, so it should be familiar to the user and therefore, easy to use. The user can save their file anywhere they like with any name, but the default name is the report name.

Number of Words: 1311