# EVENTS UNLIMITED MANAGEMENT SOFTWARE

USER GUIDE

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## Introduction

This program has been designed to improve the running of the events management system at Events Unlimited wedding organisation system and improve the efficient organization of multiple kinds of events.

I've included many features to allow the program to perform the task's desired by the user requirements. The main function of this system is to complete a

## Hardware & Software

The recommended hardware and software has been outlined below. By following these recommendations, the system will run and navigate smoothly and to its greatest ability.

	Minimum	Recommended
Processor	AMD A4	Intel i7 2.00GHz
	1.80GHz	
RAM	4GB	16GB
HDD	250GB	1TB
Screen Resolution	1366 x 768	1920 x 1080

	Minimum	Recommended
Operating System	Windows Vista	Windows 10
.NET Environment	Visual Studio 2012	Visual Studio 2013
	Express	Professional

## **Operating Instructions**

## Home

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Custo		mited l	Management	
Customer Management  Add Customers				
	V	/iew Custome	ers	
Staff I	Management			
Staff				
Spec	ial Events	C	Catering Services	
Themed Parties			On-Site Catering	
Weddings			Basic Catering	

FIGURE 1

The home form is used to access different areas of the management system to perform different tasks. The menu strip visible on this and other forms allows the user to access a selected area. This can also be used to access this user guide along with allowing the user to fully exit the program.

#### **Customers**

The system allows for direct management of customer information, from adding, editing and querying customer data.

#### View and Search Customers

In this form the user can access information on each customer that the company has or will work with. By clicking the "Add Customer" button the dialog box to add a new customer will appear (see page). This functionality is present in other parts of the system that may require new customer information.

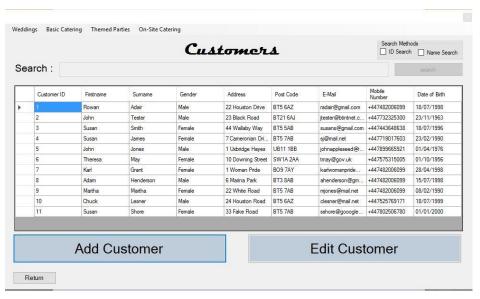


FIGURE 2

Customer information can be organised in ascending or descending order in each column by clicking the top of each column.

Below the user can see the result of searching for users whose name contains "John". If the user enters one name, then results for users with "John" in their forename or surname but if the user were to search "John Jones" only users whose full name was John Jones would appear.

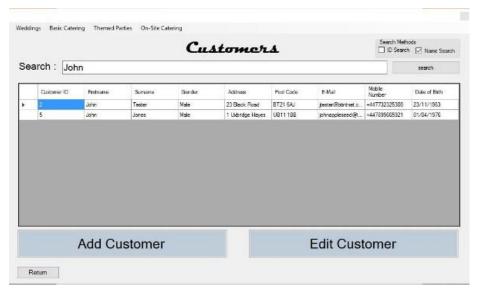


FIGURE 3

Customer information can be searched and queried using the search functionality. The user can select to search using Customer ID or Customer Name. When searching with ID the user will not be able to enter any characters that are not integers. When both search methods are unchecked, or the search text box is empty the form will revert to the default information displayed when the form is opened.

#### Add Customer Data

Existing Customers	Personal Details First Name				
1.Rowan Adair 2.John Tester	Karen				
3.Susan Smith 4.Susan James	Second Name Smith				
5.John Jones	Gender				
6.Theresa May	Female				
7.Karl Grant	Date of Birth				
8.Adam Henderson 9.Martha Martha	14-06-1990				
10.Chuck Lesner 11.Susan Shore	Contact Information  Home Address  33 White Road  Postcode  BT7 4AB  Mobile Number  +44 7482006099				
	Email Address				
	ksmith@gmail.com				

FIGURE 4

The add customer dialog box can be accessed from multiple forms.

On the left side of the form the existing customers will be shown to the user, showing their ID and Name. The first section will allow the user to fill in personal customer details. The user cannot be the younger than 18 years of age to use this service. As such if the user

enters an age the younger than 18 then an error will be returned when trying to add this customer. The second section encompasses contact information. Adding a home address, postcode, mobile number and email address. The post code and mobile must be a standard UK format. Email addresses must also be of a valid email format. If any of this information is of an invalid format when attempting to add a customer, specific errors will be returned, and the user will not be able to add this customer. The in



FIGURE 5

returned, and the user will not be able to add this customer. The information in the figure on the previous page is all information of a valid format So when the user clicks "Add customer" then a dialog box informing the user that the customer has been added will appear.

#### **Edit Customer Data**

When selecting a customer from the table (click the left hand side of the customer ID) the user has the option to edit that customer. The user can only edit one customer at a time due to the nature of the system. A form will appear with textboxes containing information that can be edited. Gender and Date of Birth cannot be changed but name and all contact information can be changed. Like adding the customer, all validation is still present and if information is not of a valid format upon applying edit; an error will appear explaining what the error is.

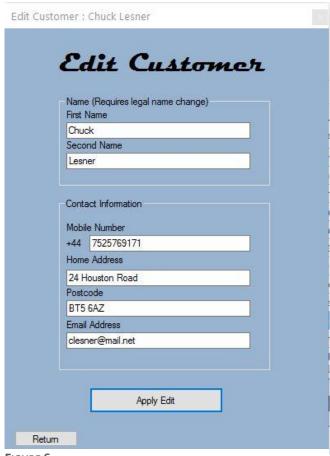


FIGURE 6

When a valid edit is applied the user will be informed that the update to the customer information has been accepted. After clicking "OK" the user will be returned to the form containing the customer table where the update has taken place.



FIGURE 7

#### Staff

Staff management can be accessed from the home form or the menu strip in other forms by clicking the "Staff" button.

#### View Staff

When the staff form is opened the first tab visible will be the "View Staff" tab. This lists off information on each member of staff, their role and where they work along with contact information for the venue they work in.



FIGURE 8

#### Add New Members of Staff

When adding a new member of staff has two stages if they are a wedding planner. Firstly, their initial adding and secondly their management schedule. Wedding planners will make all initial plans for weddings and co-Ordinator's will co-ordinate the wedding itself.

#### Adding

When adding a new member of staff, the record requires their forename, surname and where their role and where they will be working. If they are a planner, then their availability for appointments will also need to be managed.

Staff Management		
	Staff Management	
View Staff Add New Staff Man	age Staff Availability	
Forename	Test	
Surname	Tester	
Role	1,Planner	
Venue	1,Hillview	
	Add New Staff Member	
Return		

FIGURE 9

When a staff member has been added the message will be shown informing the user that a new member of staff has been added. However, if information is either incorrect or absent, an error will occur highlighting the specific areas that are incorrect or absent.

#### Manage Availability

When managing staff, a list of planner staff will be retrieved for the user to select from. When selected the user have the option to view their present schedule. Since the planner "Test Tester" has just been added he has no sessions. When the user check "Add New Session" the user will have the option to select from a list of days. Once the day has been selected, unoccupied sessions for this member of staff will be shown.

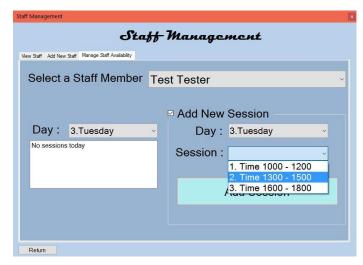


FIGURE 10

If all are filled by this member of staff, then the text will read "No Sessions Available". (see figure 11)



FIGURE 11

When a session has been added it will show in the text box to the left-hand side of the form with the dialog box requesting the user if they would like to book another session, if "Yes" then the day will remain the same with the sessions updated. If "No" then the form will be reset.

The form will also be reset when the user selects "<None>" from the dropdown box for staff member selection.

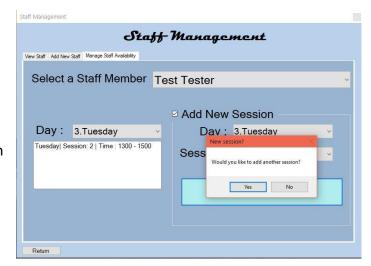


FIGURE 12

## Wedding Management

## **Pre-Planning Appointments**

Before a wedding can be arranged, a customer must make an appointment with someone from the company.

## View and Search Appointments

When the appointments form is opened a list of future appointments with information on the staff, customer, venue, date and session will be shown. To view previous appointments, check the "View all previous appointments" check box. This does disable the functionality of cancellation and date changing as information on past appointments cannot be removed or altered. (see figure 13)

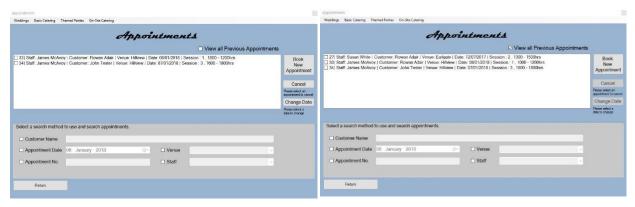


FIGURE 13

Appointments can be searched in multiple different ways by checking any of the checkboxes and entering or selecting information to search for appointments with. For example, the below figure shows that "Appointment Date" has been checked with the date "7<sup>th</sup> January 2018" selected returning all appointments that occurred on the 7<sup>th</sup> January 2018 after clicking "Search by Date of Appointment"

Select a search method	to use and se	arch appointments.					
☐ Customer Name							
☑ Appointment Date	07 January	2018	-	□ Venue		¥	
☐ Appointment No.				☐ Staff		¥	
			Search I	by Date of Appointm	ent		

FIGURE 14

## **Book Appointments**

This form can be accessed by clicking the "Book New Appointment" button in the appointments form. When booking a new appointment, the following steps must be followed.

- 1. Select a customer
- 2. Select a venue
- 3. Select a suitable date
- 4. Select a suitable session

When the user selects a customer the list of customers will only contain those who do not have an upcoming booking, customers who have already had an appointment will also appear. When the venue is selected a list of planners who work at the selected venue will be created. Then the date of the customers choosing will be selected, once this is done the sessions available on that day will be added to a drop-down box. What is contained in the drop-down box will be determined by the availability of staff who work at the venue and the day of the week. Providing all information is valid when the user clicks the button "Book Appointment" the appointment will be added to the database.

## **Edit Appointments**

The user can select an appointment and change the date of appointment and session depending on availability. The venue and customer cannot be changed.

The determination of available sessions will be the same as the original booking of the appointment.

## **Cancel Appointments**

Multiple appointments can be selected and cancelled by clicking the "Cancel Appointment" button. Appointments that have already occurred cannot be cancelled.

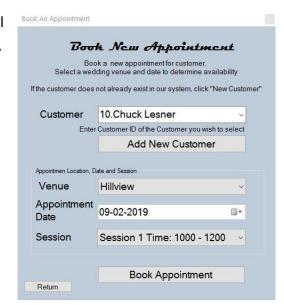


FIGURE 15

Change Appointment Date or	Scasion
Meeting at Hillview with John Tester	
appointment Date : 07 January 2018	0
Session :	,
Update Appointment Date and Ses	ssion

FIGURE 16

## Post-Planning Confirmation and Booking

## **Book New Wedding**

When generating a quote for a wedding the user must select a customer who has already had a pre-planning appointment. Only customers who have had an appointment or do not have a wedding planned will be available for selection. When a date is selected the system will check for any other weddings booked on that day, if there are any other weddings booked then a message will be displayed informing the user there is already a wedding booked on that date.

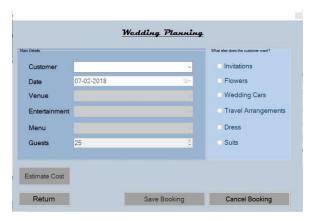




FIGURE 17

The user can select from a list of venues, entertainment and menu courses. Which will be planned by the company by default. There is also a set of optional choices on the right that the user does not have to select. The user will also be able to change the number of guests that can be selected.

When the user clicks the button "Estimate Cost" the program will generate an estimate of how much the wedding will cost factoring in built in discounts. If the wedding is booked a year in advance, then there will be a 5 percent discount applied. If the wedding is booked a year and a half in advance, then there will be a discount of 7% and finally if the wedding is booked two years in advance with a guest number exceeding 50 then a discount of 8% will be applied to the total cost.

This will be displayed as it is for the wedding of "John Tester" on the previous page. The use can click "Cancel Booking" at this point which will remove all information on the form and revert it to its initial state resetting all values.

Providing the booking is not cancelled the user can click the "Save Booking" button where they will be prompted to answer if the customer has confirmed the booking. If yes then the customer will pay the

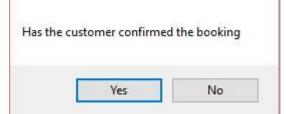
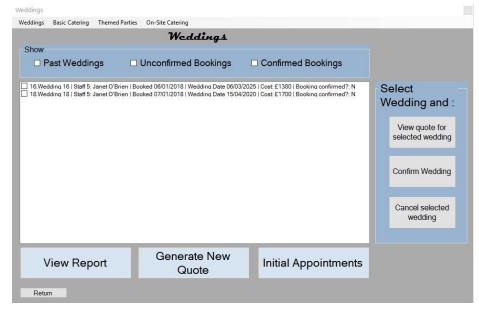


FIGURE 18

ten percent deposit on the wedding, if no then they have not yet payed the deposit on the wedding.

## View Weddings

The weddings form has multiple functions. It initially will show a list of all future weddings confirmed and unconfirmed. The user will have the option to check the "past weddings" checkbox to display past weddings that have been confirmed alongside future weddings. The



user can also choose to display only confirmed

FIGURE 19

or unconfirmed weddings. See figures 20 and 21.



FIGURE 20 (CONFIRMED)



FIGURE 21 (UNCONFIRMED)

If the user selects a wedding that hasn't been confirmed and they want to cancel it, there will be no issues. If the wedding has been confirmed however the user will be prompted to make sure that the customer wants to cancel the wedding because a deposit made on a wedding is non-refundable.

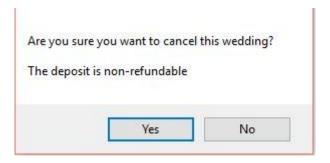


FIGURE 22

If the user answers "Yes" then the wedding will be cancelled however if the user answers "No" then the selected wedding will be deselected, and the weddings form will be returned to its original state.

#### Quotes

The user can view a quote for any booking, past and present, confirmed and unconfirmed. When the quote is selected the user can click the button that says, "View quote for selected wedding" to generate a quote for the selected wedding booking. If a booking has not been confirmed the user will be present with the option in the quote to confirm the wedding. If it has already been confirmed the user will be informed of this with text at the bottom of the quote stating, "The wedding has already been confirmed". Below you can see the quote for a confirmed booking and unconfirmed booking respectively. (see figure 22)



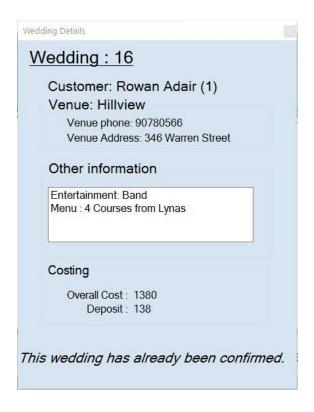


FIGURE 23

## **Wedding Report Access**

Accessing reports on the information of the wedding, this form allows you to view reports with specific information you enter, to improve management and limit wastage. To check wedding costs between certain costs or wedding costs below a certain value or above a certain value you can enter the information and click the "search button".

The user can also enter IDs from either Booking, Wedding or Staff. The user can also show all confirmed or unconfirmed bookings.

If the user clicks the "refresh" form the form will be reset to its original state.