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Thanks Allen for the response,
I tried your idea but it returns all records on the left outer join (master) table side when a criteria is placed in the earliest received date field (detail) on the form instead of restricting to only those which meet this criteria.

I took your germ of the idea and tested the form field for null within my original query on the OR criteria row and I think it works the way I want it to.

There you go broadening my vision for what can be accomplished in Access.

thanks so much,
James

"Allen Browne" wrote:

One way around this would be to stack this query on another one.

Create a query using the table on the outer side of the join (DR, is it?).
Switch this query to SQL View, and set up the WHERE clause like this:
WHERE (([Forms]![CSR dg]![txtEarliestReceivedDate] Is Null)
OR (DR.[Date Received] = [Forms]![CSR dg]![txtEarliestReceivedDate]))

Save the query. Now use this query instead of the DR table in the outer side of the join in your main query.

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I have a criteria test in the [DR].[Received Date] field of a query. The

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criteria is based on data which is entered into a form.

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=(Iif(IsNull([Forms]![CSR  
dg]![txtEarliestReceivedDate]),[DR].[Received  
Date],[Forms]![CSR dg]![txtEarliestReceivedDate]))
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The true side of the IIF allows for all received dates if no data is entered into the form. I would like to instead not do a criteria test at all if there is no date entered into the form. I've tried things like "" or NULL in the criteria, but to no avail.

The reason for wanting to do this, is that I have two tables linked (table1 and table2). Table1 being a master, table2 a detail. These are joined with a left join which allows me to have all data in the master even if there is no detail. Except that if I do a criteria check on table2 (as per above), it short circuits the left join. If no criteria check is done when no receive date is entered on the form, then the left join should work properly.

I have a report based on this query, and so might be able to use the Filter field to filter based on the receive date. But I've tried to figure out this kind of problem in the past, so would like to see if it can be accomplished using the query only.

thanks,
James Deckert