

RE: Weird Problem with a Subreport

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Looks normal enough. Is Place_Holder a field in the tables? It has to be either that, or a calculated field. 0 AS ListID is an example of a calculated field. It can be any reasonable expression or even a VBA Public function. It just returns a value with the name of the column using the As

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Dave Hargis, Microsoft Access MVP

"Chels" wrote:

```
SELECT 0 AS ListID, UNIT, Remarks, Place_Holder FROM AugustND;  
UNION ALL SELECT 1 As ListID, UNIT, Remarks, Place_Holder FROM  
AugustShutdownND;
```

That is what I have and it just asks me for a Parameter value for Place Holder. Place Holder is definitely in the AugustND and AugustShutdownND queries and it's visible and all that. I don't know about the spacing thing though. It's name is Place Holder but the query won't accept that with a space so I have tried the _ and also no space and it does the same thing.

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Chels

"Klatuu" wrote:

You bind a field in a form or report's record source to the control source property of the text box. This is the same for all controls that can contain data. A label can't. (Well, you can make it show a data item, but that would be a waste)

As to the SQL problem, post back with the SQL and we will have a look.

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Dave Hargis, Microsoft Access MVP

"Chels" wrote:

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Thank you so much. I definitely am learning you area big help! Believe it or not i did take a course in this program, a lot of help that was!

So how do you make text boxes bound to something?

I tried to add Place Holder to the Union query along with UNIT, Remarks but it will not work. It wouldnt accept it with a space between the words. I tried using an underscore between them and it accepted that but it is not showing any numbers and just asks me for a parameter value. Does this mean it can't find the information for that field?

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Chels

"Klatuu" wrote:

Yes, but you are learning

You can use a label.. All you need to do is make the label visible or invisible.
labels are not intended to hold data. That is what text boxes are for.
Lables are for identifying the context of the data or providing static information to the user.

As to the sort. You can include the place holder and leave it visible. That doesn't mean you have to show it on the report. You can just use if for the sorting and grouping.

--
Dave Hargis, Microsoft Access MVP

"Chels" wrote:

OK I somehow got that VBA code to work! Thank you!!! To answer your questions....

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I have a label as the group header, is that wrong? It's not bound to anything... Is that why i am having problems with this? I dont know how to use text boxes....I just use labels because I didnt understand the whole Text#: Unbound thing as seperate boxes.

Ok for the sorting i will try to explain it to you. My main table in my database is a list of tests that each have their own Unit #, the unit numbers are all weird though they all have numbers, come also have letters like P1 for part 1 of a test or R or E if they're a different kind of test but they all do make sense in an order. The sorting gets confused i think by the letters and puts it in weird orders such as

UNIT
1
10
11
12
2
29 P1
29 P2
3
30
31 P2

The Place Holder field I made just to keep all of the Unit numbers in the right order. I usually include Place Holder in all of my querys but put it as not visible just to keep everything in order and then

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reports from those queries are also always in order. Because you told me how to make the Union query by writing the SQL I didnt include the Place holder field, I thought it would just keep itself in order because the two queries I made the Union query from are being sorted by the place holder field. Does that make sense?

I have a feeling I am making things harder for myself because I dont fully understand how to use this program.

--
Chels

"Klatuu" wrote:

Should be

```
If  
Me.txtGroupType  
=  
0  
Then  
Me.GroupHeader1.Visible  
=  
False  
Else  
Me.GroupHeader1.Visible  
=  
True  
End  
If  
End  
Sub
```

No, you don't need a second one. Do you

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have a text
box in the
Group
Header?
What is the
name of the
text box and
which field
in the query
is it bound
to?

If you don't
have a field
to sort on,
how do you
know it is
not sorting
correctly?
You can't
sort without
at least one
field.

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"Chels"
wrote:

Ok
I
have
this
as
the
Code
for
the
Group
Header:

Private
Sub
GroupHeader0_Format(Cancel
As

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```
Integer,  
FormatCount  
As  
Integer)  
If  
Me.txtGroupType  
=  
0  
Then  
Me.GroupHeader1.Visible  
=  
False  
Else  
Me.GroupHeader1.Visible  
=  
False  
End  
If  
End  
Sub
```

It
is
not
working.
I
have
never
tried
using
VBA
code
before.
I
only
have
the
one
group
should
I
have
two?

The
problem
with
the
sorting
is
that

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the
field
I
usually
use
for
sorting
is
not
in
the
query
or
report.
It
is
just
a
number
assigned
to
each
entry
to
keep
them
all
in
the
proper
order
because
none
of
the
information
in
the
records
can
be
used
for
sorting.
I
usually
include
it
in
the
queries

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(It
is
called
Place
Holder)
but
don't
make
it
visible
and
then
when
I
make
the
reports
from
those
queries
everything
is
usually
in
the
right
order.
When
I
tried
to
include
that
field
in
the
Union
query
it
keeps
putting
it
in
as
blank
and
asking
for
a
parameter
value.

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Chels

"Klatuu"

wrote:

If
you
don't
want
to
show
the
header
on
the
first
group,
you
can
use
some
simple
VBA
to
do
that.
Open
the
report
in
design
view.
Right
Click
on
the
group
header
and
you
will
get
the
properties
dialog
Select
the

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Events
Tab
Select
On
Format
by
clicking
on
the
small
command
button
to
the
right
of
it
with
the
3
dots.
Select
Code
Builder.

The
VBA
editor
will
open
with
the
cursor
positioned
in
the
sub.
Enter
the
following
(sort
of,
I'll
show
the
differences
next)

If
Me.txtGroupType
=

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```
0  
Then  
Me.GroupHeader1.Visible  
=  
False  
Else  
Me.GroupHeader1.Visible  
=  
False  
End  
If
```

Now
the
differences.
txtGroupType
is
the
name
of
the
text
box
where
you
will
show
the
group
type
or
the
group
description.

```
=  
0  
should  
be  
the  
value  
you  
will  
expect  
for  
the  
first  
group  
GroupHeader1  
is  
usually  
the
```

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default
name
for
the
first
group
header.

That
should
take
care
of
hiding
the
header
for
the
first
group.

As
to
the
sorting
after
that.

I
would
not
bother
to
sort
the
query.
You
can
use
the
next
Group
in
the
Sorting
and
Grouping
dialog.
It
will
sort
on

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whatever
field
or
fields
you
select,
but
not
including
the
first
one
already
identified.
So
everything
that
starts
with
0
(using
my
example),
will
be
in
the
first
group,
but
then
if
you
use
say
contract
type(using
my
example),
The
report
will
show
the
contract
type
in
order
for
each
group.

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For
example:

0
A
0
B
0
C
Group
1
1
A
1
C
1
D

Just
don't
select
a
group
header
or
footer
for
the
contract
group.

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"Chels"
wrote:

OK
scratch
that!
The
grouping
is
working....
I
didnt
have

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to
change
anything
I
just
didn't
notice
it
was
working
the
first
time.
What
confused
me
is
it
is
putting
the
group
header
in
front
of
both
groups.
I
only
want
to
header
in
front
of
the
second
group.
How
do
I
get
the
first
header
to
go
away?
Do
I

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need
to
put
that
first
list
in
it's
own
group
without
a
header?

I
still
dont
know
what
to
do
about
the
sorting
though....
should
i
add
my
sorting
field
to
the
query?
If
so
can
I
tell
the
query
not
to
make
the
sorting
field
visible
or
do
I

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need
to
do
that
in
the
report
like
I
did
with
the
List
ID
field?
--
Chels

"Chels"
wrote:

OK
you
lost
me
a
bit....
So
the
settings
for
my
grouping
are
all
fine?
What
do
you
mean
by
"You
should
be
grouping
by
groupType"?

How

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do
I
make
a
second
group
below?
Am
I
making
these
groups
to
tell
them
which
records
to
put
in
which
group?
I
dont
really
understand
the
properties
very
much,
sorry.
Am
I
telling
it
to
group
ListID
0
together
and
ListID
1
in
another
group?
Will
I
need
to
add

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anything
to
my
query?

If
I
am
not
understanding
you
sorry

I
am
new
to
the
grouping
thing!

--
Chels

"Klatuu"
wrote:

You
group
settings
are
correct.
You
should
be
grouping
by
GroupType.
The
field
I
showed
in
my
example
that
separates
the
list.
You
can

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also
use
the
sorting
and
grouping
to
order
the
groups.
Just
create
another
group
below
the
first
group,
but
don't
identify
any
headers
or
footers
for
the
group.

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"Chels"
wrote:

Thank
you
so
much!
Using
the
union
query
to
identify
the

lists
worked
wonderfully.

I
am
running
into
more
problems
now
though.

I
have
another
field
I
usually
put
in
my
queries
just
for
sorting
to
keep
everything
in
order
because
the
Unit
#s
dont
keep
themselves
in
the
proper
order.
How
can
i
tell
the
query
to
sort
with
a

field
but
not
show
it?
When
I
view
the
query
everything
is
in
the
right
order
but
when
I
view
the
report
they're
not.
Also
I
am
a
little
confused
as
to
how
to
do
the
grouping
so
there
is
a
header
between
the
two
lists.
I
did
find
the
sorting

and
grouping
and
i
told
it
to
group
based
on
List
ID.
This
is
what
I
have

ListID
Group
Properties:
(
I
have
List
ID
sorting
Ascending,
I
dont
know
if
I
should
but
I
can't
figure
out
how
to
tell
it
not
to
sort)
Group
Header:
Yes
Group
Footer:

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No
Group
On:
Each
value
(Is
this
correct?)
Group
Interval:
1
(?)
Keep
together:
No

I
have
a
header
of
shutdown
in
front
of
the
whole
list
but
the
two
lists
arent
sorting
properly
or
seperating
like
they
are
in
the
query
list.

Chels

"Klatuu"
wrote:

The two lists are separate. That is why you could use a Union query to put the together on one report. You will have to make sure you can order the union query so the lists are in the order you want. Also, to present a lable between lists and to

keep
the
list
separate,
you
could
use
the
report
Sorting
and
Grouping
and
group
by
the
list
identifier.
The
use
a
Group
Header
and
you
can
put
a
label
in
the
group
header.

Here
is
an
example
of
how
to
use
the
Union
Query
to
identify
the
lists:

SELECT

```
0
AS
ListID,
SomeField,
AnotherField
AnyField
FROM
FirstList;
UNION
ALL
SELECT
1
As
ListID,
SomeField,
AnotherField
AnyField
FROM
SecondList;
```

The output of your query will now have a field named ListID. You would group on ListID and sort on ListID in the report.

Here is an example where I

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do
exactly
this
in
a
report.
Note
the
first
calculated
field
is
used
to
sort
the
two
and
the
second
field
is
what
I
use
for
the
Group
Header
Labels:

```
SELECT  
0  
As  
GroupType,  
"Active  
Contracts  
With  
No  
Start  
Date"  
As  
Group_Desc  
ContractTyp  
ClientName,  
PropertyNam  
FROM  
qselMonAct  
UNION  
ALL  
SELECT
```

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1
As
GroupType,
"InActive
Contracts
With
No
End
Date"
As
Group_Desc
ContractTyp
ClientName,
FROM
qselMonAct

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