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Hello Karen,

I think that this reinforces my original answer. But to take that a step farther:

It sounds like you're learning the Access basics. Except that combining "filters" (assuming that you mean what Access calls a "filter") with query conditions is redundant and thus overly complicated. A query can fulfill all of the filter functions.

Now we're getting into an area that I only 1/2 know, so take what I say with a "grain of salt": What you are trying to do really needs sophisticated web site design (a back end database with a web page user interface) and Access is probably not the best thing to use for that nor useful for tackling the main challenges of what you describe.

But Access can do so much that it's probably worthwhile for you to learn it some more anyway.

Sincerely,

Fred

"Karen H" wrote:

Thanks to both of you. I'll try and explain a bit better. Evi, I don't want a family tree program (I've already got those). On my website I want people to be able to search all the records I have collected over the years for my local district. Some of these original records are now very fragile and not allowed to be viewed at the archives they are deposited. So my database would be a valuable source to people searching their own genealogy. I now have over 15000 records stored on Excel 2007. I took the burials sheet and imported it into Access 2007 and now have a Table in Access. I have designed

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a Report, but it listed everyone. I can now do a Query to search (eg Surname Taylor) and produce a Report to show the results. Sometimes there are too many results so I can apply a filter. So far so good, I was proud I got this far! But this is reasonable to use for my own use rather than on a website.

However, I want the Report to be produced automatically (I think) otherwise I can't see how it would work on a website. There is a very similar website that has the type of searchable database that I would like called:
www.scribes-alcove.co.uk

Karen

"Fred"