



What's New with T.O.M. 5.3 / T.O.M. 6.0

New with T.O.M. 6.0

Field Trips

T.O.M. Now shows the number of vehicles required for each Trip Search Screen. This is a useful
piece of information will be displayed on the search screen to help the user determine the dispatching
requirements of each trip.

Trip#	Customer	Destination	Departure	Billed	Canceled	Assigned	#Veh	PO PO
3442	Newport Heights Elementary Sch	Harbor Department Newport Beach	6/19/2008	No	No N	No	ī I	
3524	Newport Coast Elementary Sch.	Newport Sports Museum	6/17/2008	No	No 1/3	No	2	
3525	Lincoln Elementary School	Kellog House (Centennial Heritage Mi	6/12/2008	No	No	Yes	2	
3766	Eastbluff Elementary School	Orange County Museum of Art	6/12/2008	No	No	No	1	
3403	Mariners Elementary School	Bowers Museum of Art	6/11/2008	No	No	No	1	
3445	Newport Heights Elementary Sch	Corona Del Mar Tidepools	6/11/2008	No	No	No	1	
3788	Newport Elementary School	Centennial Heritage Museum (Kellog I	6/11/2008	No	No	No	1	
3765	Harbor View Elementary School	Orange County Museum of Art	6/11/2008	No	No	No	1	
3808	Victoria Elementary School	Environmental Nature Center	6/11/2008	No	No	No	1	
3764	College Park Elementary School	Orange County Museum of Art	6/10/2008	No	No	No	1	
3622	Wilson Elementary School	Environmental Nature Center	6/6/2008	No	No	No	1	

• T.O.M. Now shows the number of drivers needed and assigned on the Trip Driver Screen. This is a useful piece of information that assists the user in determining how many vehicles are required vs how many vehicles have actually been assigned and have that information in as many convenient locations as possible.



- T.O.M. will now alert a user if the number of drivers assigned is less than the number of drivers required by the trip. In past if a user was manually assigning drivers they would now and then get distracted and not realize that there were not enough drivers assigned for the trip. Or perhaps a user was refusing a driver and then became involved in a phone or radio conversation and forgot to schedule a replacement driver. Now T.O.M. will alert the user when the number of drivers assigned is less than the number of drivers required by the trip.
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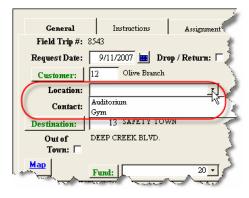
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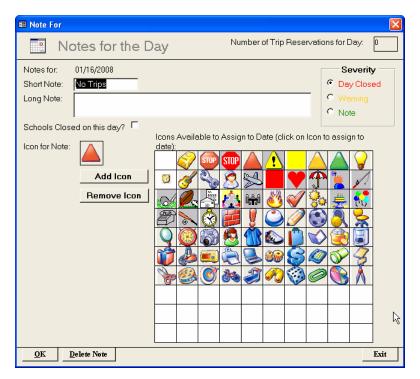


• T.O.M. now allows you to create Multiple Pickup Locations for Customers and then designate that location when entering a field trip. This Pickup Location will also print on the driver's dispatching Trip Ticket.



Master Calendar

• T.O.M.'s New Master Calendar (see What's New with T.O.M. 5.3) allows the user to assign a date note a unique Icon.









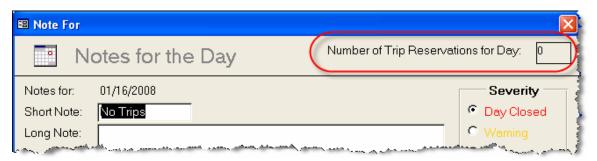


WebTrips

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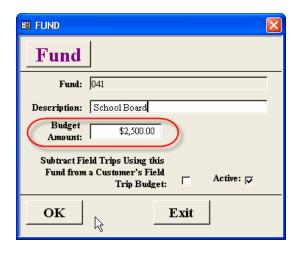




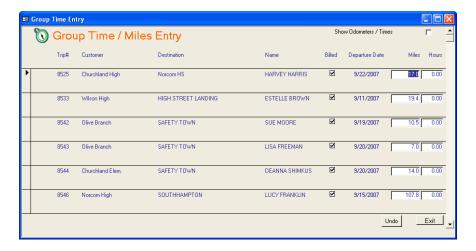


Billing / Budgeting

• T.O.M. will allow field trip budgets to be tracked at the fund level. A new Budget Report has been created to report on all the field for a particular fund and report on what is remaining in the Fund's budget.



• T.O.M. will have a Group Time Entry screen that will allow you to quickly enter driver's actual miles and hours of multiple field trips without having to retrieve each trip individually.







Driver & Vehicle Assignment

- While assigning drivers to field trips T.O.M. will automatically identify employee absences
 entered in the T.O.M. Employee Management software and skip a candidate driver if that driver
 already has a scheduled absence or training that conflicts with the potential field trip
 assignment. If the user is assigning the driver manually then T.O.M. will simply display a warning
 message informing the user of this conflict and allow the user to decide whether to assign the driver or
 not.
- T.O.M. will allow you to indicate if a driver's trip hours are NOT to be added to his/her total Field Trip Hours used in the Hours Averaging assignment feature. Some school districts that use the Hours Equalization / Hours Averaging method of automatic assignment have stated that under certain circumstances they wish to assign drivers to a field trip but not have that assignment be charged against the drivers hours. For example, if the driver is asked to perform an emergency last minute field trip the district may want to offer the driver an incentive of taking the trip assignment but still keep their field trip hours at the current level of field trip hours.

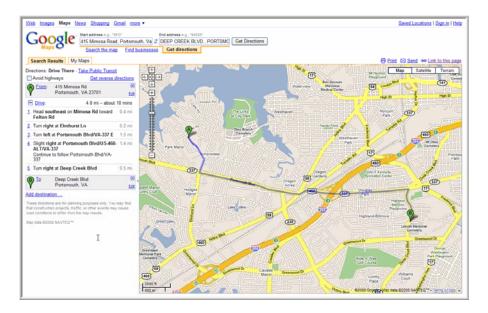






Mapping

• T.O.M. now allows you to create maps using Google Earth, Yahoo Maps or MapQuest internet mapping services as well as Microsoft MapPoint. As you know T.O.M. as long offered mapping capabilities for its field trip software using the mapping software Microsoft MapPoint. With T.O.M. 6.0 T.O.M. now offers its customers to create maps using three internet mapping services: Google Earth, Yahoo Maps or MapQuest online mapping services. This new features offers several advantages: 1. These online mapping services are free while MapPoint does have to be purchased. 2. By having a choice of which mapping service to use you may choose a mapping source that may be more accurate for that school district specific geographic area. 3. The new online mapping services offer sophisticated map formatting features like hybrid maps that overlay on aerial photos of their area. NOTE: One benefit of MapPoint over the online mapping service is that MapPoint allows the T.O.M. Software to retrieve the driver directions as well as the trip estimate miles whereas the online mapping services only allow T.O.M. to instruct them to create maps but not allow the software to retrieve information from the map.



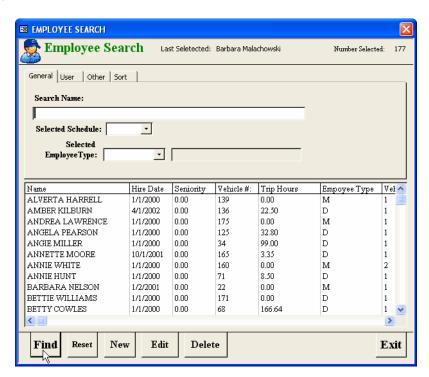






Employees

• The Employee Search Screen has been greatly enhanced. In the past the Employee Search Screen would only allow you to search your employees alphabetically by last name. Now you may also search your employees by their employee type, the schedules they are enrolled in, what type of vehicle they drive and by the seven employee user defined fields. Also the Employee Search Screen will display the last employee that you selected and retain what your last search criteria were. Gecko feels that these enhancements should be of great use for school districts that assign their drivers to field trip manually.

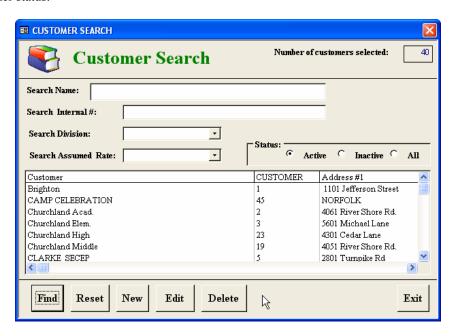






Other

• The Customer Search Screen has been enhanced with more searching capabilities. You can now search by the internal customer number, the customer division, the assumed billing rate and the customer status.







• T.O.M. Now has a utility that allows you to delete inactive Master Files and Lookup Lists in one step. In the past it has always been a tedious process to remove old Customers, Vehicles, Employees, Vehicle Types, etc. As you know T.O.M. would not allow to delete a master file such as a Customer or Employee or a lookup list such as a Billing Rate and Vehicle Type if even one field trip made reference to this file. So it can be quite time consuming to review all of your inactive master files and lookup lists and attempt to delete them. Now, with this new utility you can easily see how many records are in each file and how many are inactive. Then you can tell this utility which list you want the software to attempt to remove the inactive records. T.O.M. will then review each inactive record and attempt to delete that record. At the end of the process this utility will report on how many inactive records were deleted.







New with T.O.M. 5.3

• T.O.M. Now allows you to create a group of trips by copying an existing trip. T.O.M.'s Copy Trip feature now allows you to create a group of field trips by copying an existing field trip. This new feature allows you to specify a date range and a day frequency and T.O.M. will then create a group of field trips identical to the original trip except that that the date is different. This is a great way to quickly and easily entering athletic practices into your field trip database.

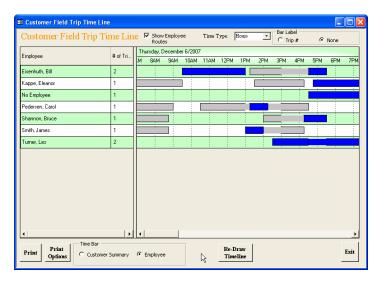


• T.O.M.'s Automatic Emailing Generation feature now works with most SMTP compliant emailing systems. With the release of T.O.M. 5.0 T.O.M. had an exciting new feature that would allow you to have your T.O.M. Field Trip Software automatically generate email message when certain events would occur, like a trip would be canceled or billed. Unfortunately, this feature would only work when your organization had a MAPI (Microsoft) compliant emailing system. Many of our T.O.M. Field Trip Administration customers really liked this feature but had emailing systems that did not use a MAPI based system but rather used a SMTP based system. With T.O.M. 5.3 the Automatic Emailing Feature will work with almost all SMTP based emailing systems!

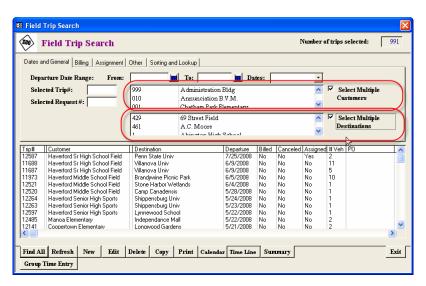




 T.O.M. now has a timeline view which graphically displays field trips and employee routes by customer or by employee.



T.O.M. now has improved searching capabilities to allow users to search field trips using
multiple customers, multiple funds, multiple destinations, multiple grades and multiple trip
categories.



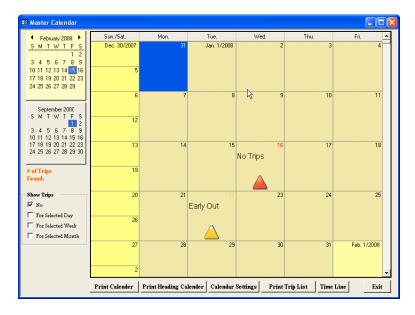




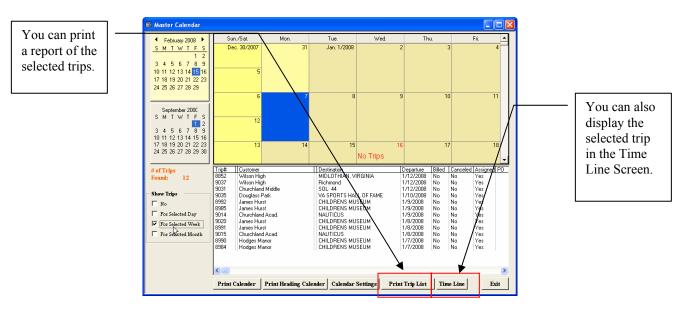


Master Calendar

• T.O.M. has enhanced the master calendar to allow users to view closed dates, date messages, non school dates and field trips scheduled on a date.



• The New T.O.M. Master Calendar now allows the user to click on a date and see all field trips for that date / for the week that contains that date / for the month that contains that date.



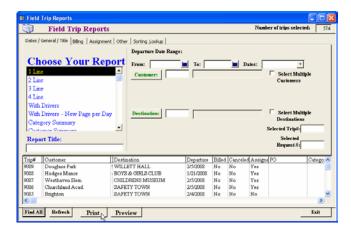




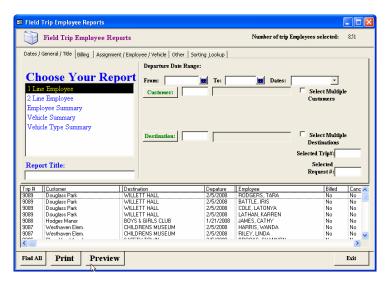


Reports

• T.O.M. has improved the Field Trip reports appearance to be more user friendly.



• T.O.M. has improved the Field Trip Employee Reports appearance to be more user friendly.



- T.O.M. 5.3.1 has a modified Employee Payroll Report that will total the Field Trip Employee's Hours Paid field rather than his / her Hours Billed Field.
- The Driver Activity Report now contains the drivers Actual Hours for all field trip assignments listed on the report. The report also now contains the actual hours for all field trip refusals that are listed on the report. The Driver Activity Report now more accurately reflects the hours that the driver earns on their field trip assignments. The report will inspect the field trip and see if the driver's actual hours are entered. If they are then those hours will print. If they are NOT then the report will use the field trip's estimated hours.









The report will also now more accurately reflect the hours that the driver is charged for a refused field trip assignment. If the actual hours are available for the alternative driver that did take the trip then those hours will print on the report. If the actual hours are NOT available then the report will print the trip's estimated hours. If there are more than one drivers assigned to the trip then the report will use an average of all the driver's actual hours as the hours the are charged to the refusing driver's refusal.

Mapping

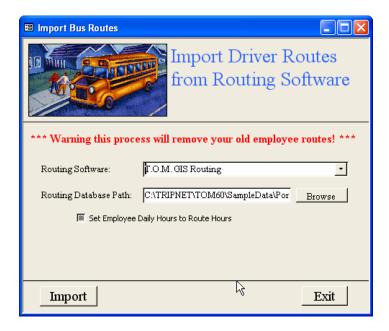
- T.O.M. will now map a field trip if the Customer or Destination of the field trip only contains, the city and / or the state and / or the zip code. In the past if you wanted the T.O.M. software to map a field trip it had to have a customer and destination with complete address information in it. The T.O.M. software is now capable of mapping a field trip if one of these destination has incomplete information.
- T.O.M. will now allow a user to display a group of destination on a map. The Destination Search Screen now contains a MAP button that when clicked will show all destinations found in the Destination Search on a MS MapPoint Map that have valid address information.
- T.O.M. will now allow a user to display a single destination on a map. The Detail Destination Maintenance Screen now contains a MAP button that when clicked will show the destination on a MS MapPoint map if it contains valid address information.
- T.O.M. will now allow a user to display a single customer on a map. The Detail Customer Maintenance Screen now contains a MAP button that when clicked will show the customer on a MS MapPoint map if it contains valid address information.





Employees

• T.O.M. Field Trip Administration now can automatically import / synchronize Employee Routes from the T.O.M. GIS Routing software product. The T.O.M. Field Trip software can now import or synchronize it's Employee Routes to the Routes maintained in the T.O.M. GIS Routing software program. This powerful feature provides a great time savings to our customers that use both our Field Trip Administration Software and our T.O.M. GIS Routing software! With this new feature you will also find the capability of flagging Employee Routes in your T.O.M. Field Trip Administration software that you wish to preserve and not be affected by the import / synchronization routine. This option is useful when you may wish to enter a 'false route' to block out a day or time of a certain day that the employee is not available for field trip assignment that has nothing to do with routing.



Other

• The Fund Maintenance Screen now has a PRINT button available. In the past if a user wanted a list of their funds they would select Reports / Other / Fund List, which would print out all of their funds in alphabetical fund number order. This list would include all funds whether active or not. Since many of our customers have large lists of funds this was not a very useful report.

Now the T.O.M. software allows the user to search for a list of funds, whether they are active or not and then click the new PRINT button on the Fund Search Screen and print the results of that search. Also the Fund Search Screen has been enhanced to allow the user to specify that the report is to sort in Fund # order or Fund Description order.

