MealMaster™ Software
Computer controlled feeding system

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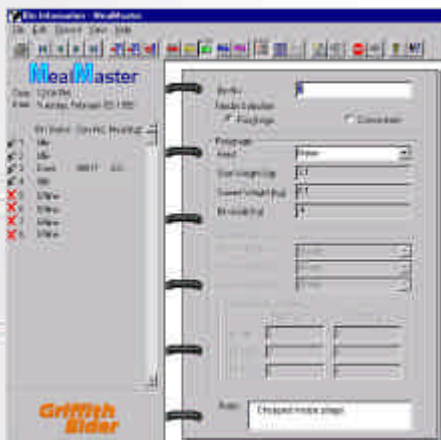
The MealMaster™ Computer Software is a powerful yet easy to use system for controlling both roughage and concentrates for feeding of cows. In addition to the control function the software can be used for comprehensively recording and analysing all data taken from the MealMaster™ cow feeding system. The software has all the necessary tools to allow or restrict feeding using many and various criteria such as time of day, amounts per visit, weight of intake per day and many more.

Cows may be treated as individuals or in groups using all the same parameters. This gives maximum flexibility for experimental work and allows many groups to be run as one herd, but with different criteria being applied to them.
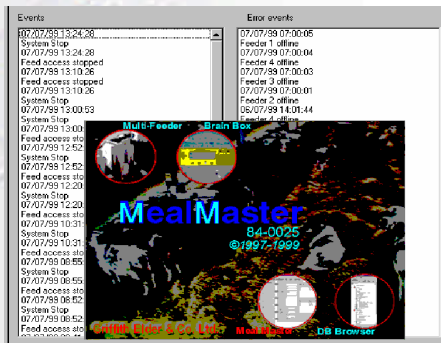
The software is a fully enhanced 32 bit program and is Microsoft Windows compliant, capable of running on Windows XP. It has its own security system so that different users can be given more or less control of program functions. This ensures that unauthorized personnel cannot change any settings which might upset experimental data.

One of the many features is a running list of recent events taking place at the feed face together with a pictorial view of every feed station. When a cow approaches a feeder it will show on the screen, then when it is let in, while it is eating and how much it has eaten all show in real time. Every event that happens at the feeders is date and time stamped as it is recorded in the database.

Powerful reporting facilities allow the researcher to pick the parameters on which to report and to either print or export the data to another application such as a spreadsheet or word processor. Automatic reports can be set up to take place at pre-determined intervals; and, for the more experienced IT professionals, queries can be done directly on the database using their own criteria.

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