

PowerTrac USB and Link Users Guide Software Installation & Operation Manual





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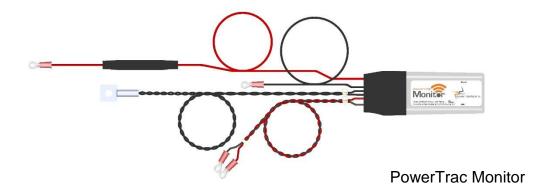
POWERTRAC USB USER

PowerTrac USB user is a program that allows the user to:

- setup the PowerTrac Monitor battery parameters
- · calibrate the intercell for current sensing
- download and view battery data
- create charts and reports to analyze the data

This program is used in conjunction with the *PowerTrac Link* and *PowerTrac Monitor*





POWERTRAC SOFTWARE INSTALLATION AND CONFIGURATION



Attention

- The installation of the PowerTrac USB software automatically uninstalls an existing version (if applicable).
- Do not plug the USB link until you successfully installed the PowerTrac USB software.
- Prior to installing the application, determine your system type 32bit/64bit:
 - o If 32 bit you must install PowerTracUSBUser.v2.2.xx.msi
 - o If 64 bit you must install PowerTracUSBUser.v2.2.xx_64.msi
- Software can be downloaded from the Power Designers Website, http://powerdesigners.com/downloads/

Minimum System Requirements

Operating systems: Vista™, Windows™ 7, Windows™ 8.1/8, Windows™ 10

Communication port: USB Port

Required pre-installed: .NET Framework 2.0 or greater (Run Windows Update)

A note on the .NET framework

For Windows **8.1/8/10**, **.NET Framework 2.0** or greater must be present prior to installing the PowerTracUSB User software.

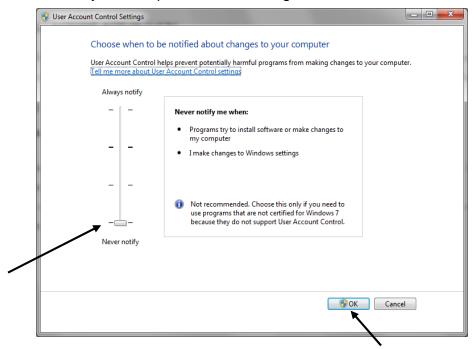
- Open the Control Panel, and click the Programs and Features icon.
- Click Turn Windows features on or off link on the left side.
- The Windows Features screen appears.
- Click the box next to .NET Framework 3.5 (includes .NET 2.0 and 3.0)
- Click OK.

Preparations required prior to installing the software

For Windows Vista/7 (32 and 64 bit), 8.1/8 (32 and 64 bit) and 10

Disable UAC (User Account Control):

- Open User Account Control (UAC) from the computer's **Control Panel**.
- In the search box in the upper right corner of the window, type **UAC**, and click **Change User Account Control Settings**.
- To turn UAC OFF, drag the slider down to Never notify, and click OK
- Reboot your computer for the change to take effect.

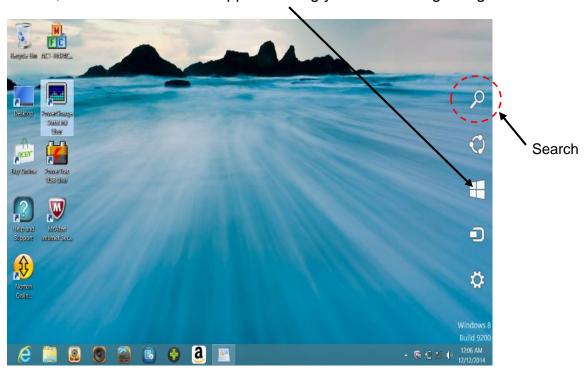


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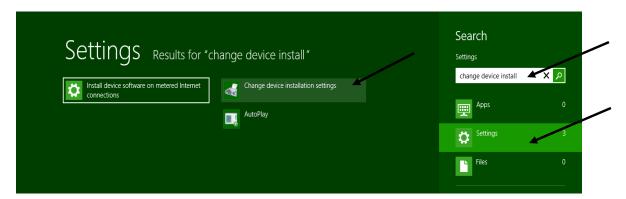
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Disable Driver Installation from Windows Update:

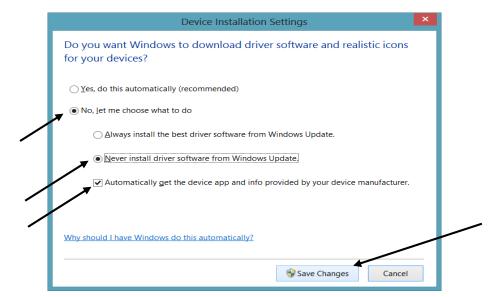
- Log on to Windows 8.1/8
- Once logged on, click the **Desktop** tile
- On the **Desktop** screen drag your mouse to the top or bottom right corners of the screen, and the **Charms Bar** appears along your screen's right edge



- Click the Search button
- In the search field type change device install
- Click Settings to view the results
- On the search results page, select Change device installation settings to open it



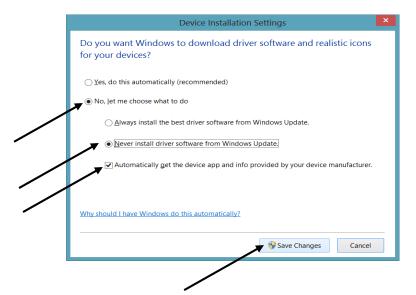
- The Device Installation Settings window appears.
- Select the No, let me choose what to do radio button
- Select the Never install driver software from Windows Update radio button
- Click Save Changes and restart the computer to allow the changes to take effect



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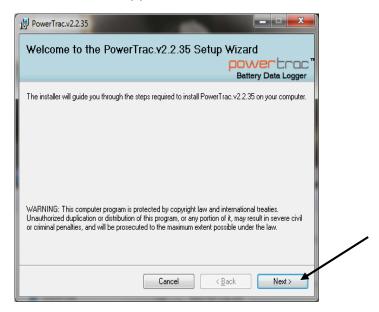
- Right-click the Start button
- Select Control Panel
- Click System
- Click Advanced system settings link on the left, the System Properties window appears
- Click the Hardware tab
- Click Device Installation Settings.
- Select the **No**, **let me choose what to do** radio button
- Click the Never install driver software from Windows Update radio button
- Click Save Changes



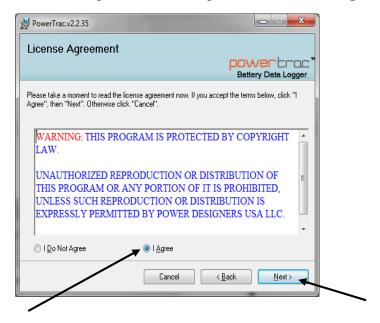
Software Installation

The following summary is a guide for the PowerTrac USB User installation software.

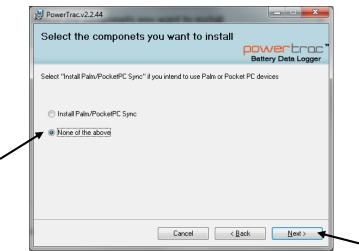
- Double-click the PowerTracUSBUser.v2.2.xx.msi (for a 32 bit computer) or PowerTracUSBUser.v2.2.xx_64.msi (for a 64 bit computer) file.
- A new window appears. Select Next to continue



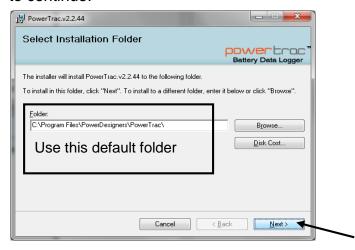
After reading the License Agreement, select I Agree and then select Next



Select None of the above and Click Next.



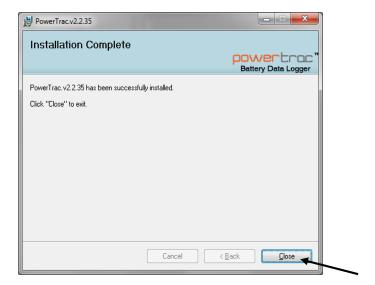
 The Select Installation Folder window appears; keep the default folder, select Next to continue.



• A window appears indicating the installer is ready to install PowerTracUSB User, select **Next** to continue.



• An Installation Complete window appears indicating the installation procedure was successful. Select **Close** to exit.

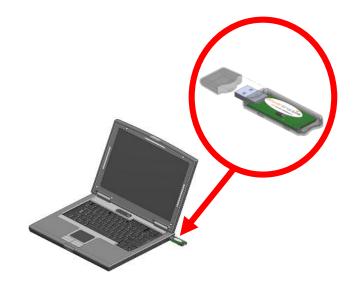


INSTALL THE POWERTRAC LINK

The PowerTrac Link (wireless USB stick) must be plugged into the computer USB port prior to launching the PowerTrac USB User software.

Using the PowerTrac Link

- Remove the end cap from the PowerTrac Link prior to plugging it into the computer USB port.
- Plug the PowerTrac Link into the computer USB port as shown.



LAUNCH THE POWERTRAC USB SOFTWARE

*** Attention Windows 8.1/8/10 users ***

You need to run PowerTrac USB User with full administrator rights in Windows.

- Locate the PowerTrac USB icon on desktop.
- Right-click the icon, and then click Run as administrator

Optional method: Start the PowerTrac USB User with Administrator Privileges

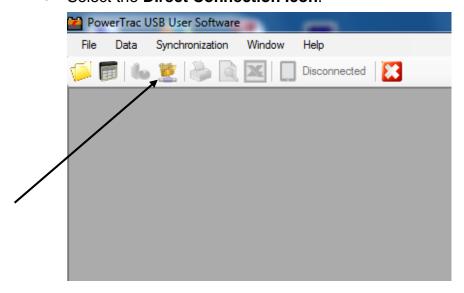
- Right-click the icon and selecting Properties
- Click on the Compatibility tab
- Check the Run this program as an administrator box
- Click on OK.

Start up PowerTrac USB User Software

 Double-click the PowerTrac USB User icon on the Windows Desktop to open the software.

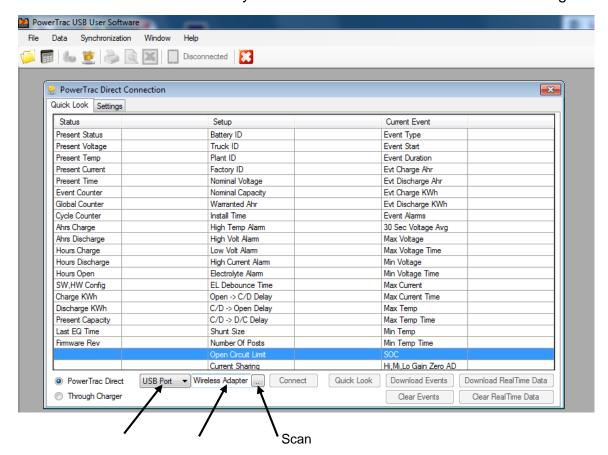


• Select the **Direct Connection Icon**.

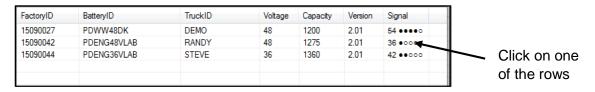


SCAN FOR POWERTRAC MONITORS IN RANGE

- At the bottom of the screen, select the USB port, Wireless Adapter appears
- Click the scan button denoted by ... to search for PowerTrac Monitors in range

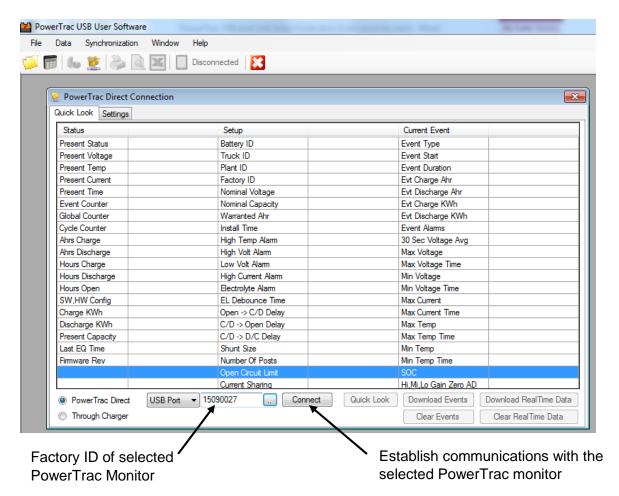


 The PowerTrac Monitors that are discovered by the scan are displayed in a new window



Click on one of the rows to select the PowerTrac Monitor you would like displayed

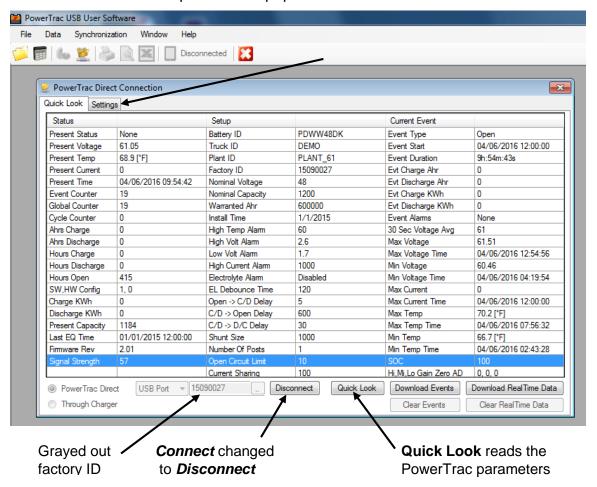
- The factory ID of the selected PowerTrac Monitor autofills to the left of the scan button
- Click Connect to establish communications with this PowerTrac Monitor



 Once communication has been established with the PowerTrac Monitor, the factory ID grays out and the Connect button changes to Disconnect.

Quick Look

- Select Quick Look to read the setup parameters that are programmed in the PowerTrac Monitor.
- The PowerTrac Monitor parameters populate into the Quick Look screen.

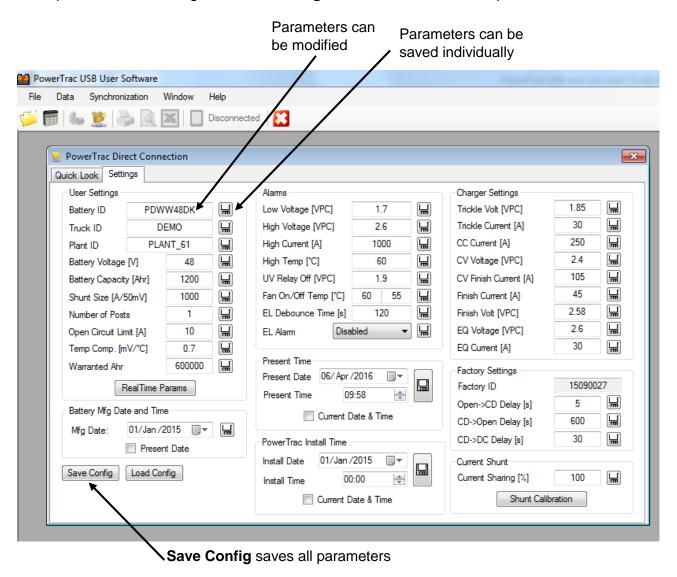


• To modify the parameters, click on **Settings**.

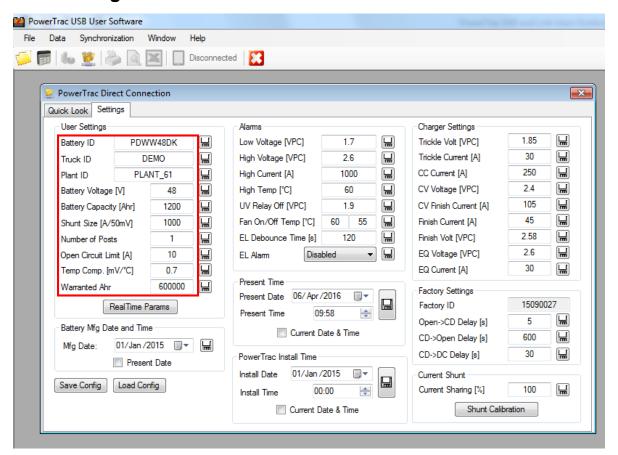
POWERTRAC SETTINGS

The PowerTrac settings screen is shown below.

The PowerTrac parameters are grouped by function and can be changed except for the Factory ID.



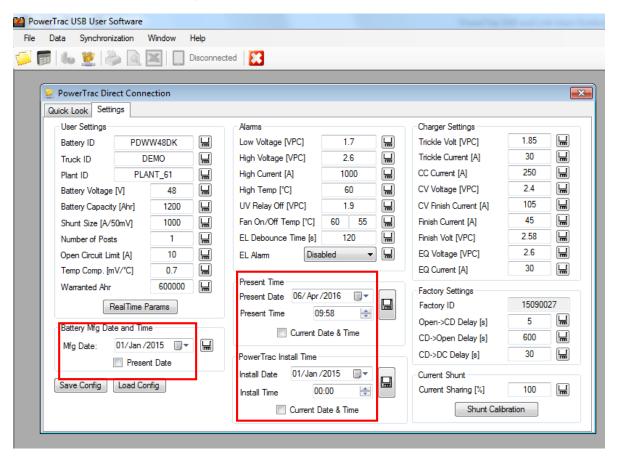
User settings



User Settings definitions:

Battery ID	Unique battery identifier
Truck ID	Unique truck identifier
Plant ID	Plant and location
Battery Voltage	Nominal Battery Voltage
Battery Capacity	Battery Capacity in Ah
Shunt size	Default set at 1000 for the intercell connector
Number of Posts	Number of positive posts per cell
Open circuit limit	Current magnitude that determines an open condition
Temp Comp:	Used for SOC calculations
Warranted Ahr	Total Ah value warranted by the battery manufacturer

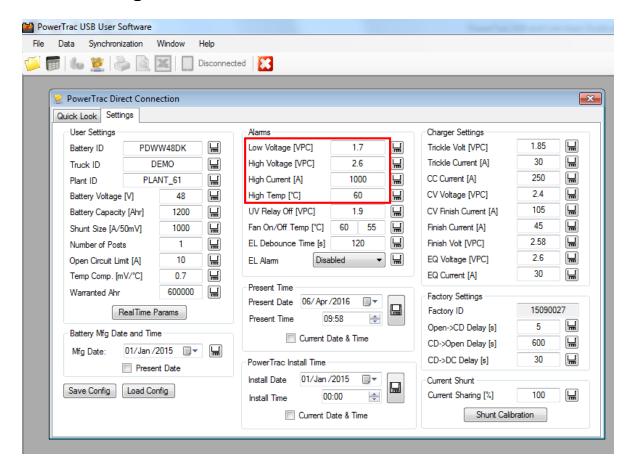
Date and time settings



Date and Time Settings definitions:

Parameter	Definition
Battery Mfg Date	Battery Manufacturing Date
Present Time	Present date and time – used for event time stamping
PowerTrac Install Time	Date and time that this PowerTrac was installed

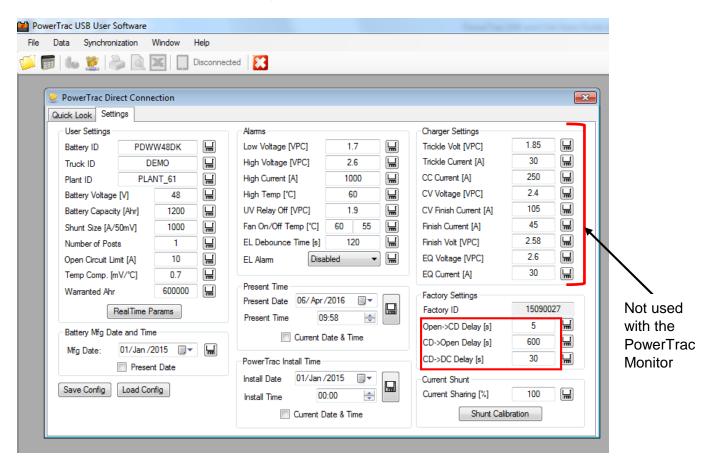
Alarm Settings



Alarm Settings definitions:

Parameter	Definition
Low Voltage [VPC]	A flag bit is set for an event if the battery voltage drops below this value.
High Voltage [VPC]	A flag bit is set for an event if the battery voltage exceeds this value.
High Current [A]	A flag bit is set for an event if the current exceeds this value.
High Temp [°C]	A flag bit is set for an event if the battery temperature exceeds this value.

Event transition delay settings



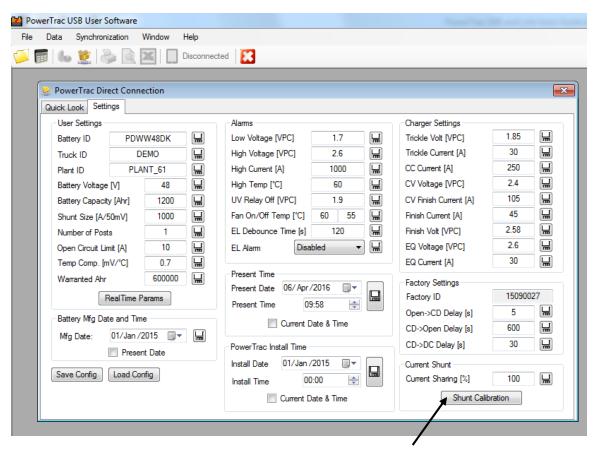
Event Transition Delay Settings definitions:

Parameter	Definition
Open -> CD Delay [s]	Delay time to acknowledge the transition from an open state to a
	charge (or discharge) state.
CD -> Open Delay [s]	Delay time to acknowledge the transition from a charge (or
	discharge) state to an open state.
CD -> DC Delay [s]	Delay time to acknowledge the transition from a charge state to
	a discharge state, or discharge state to charge state.

Note: The charger settings are not used on the PowerTrac Monitor

CALIBRATING THE CURRENT SENSING INTERCELL CONNECTOR

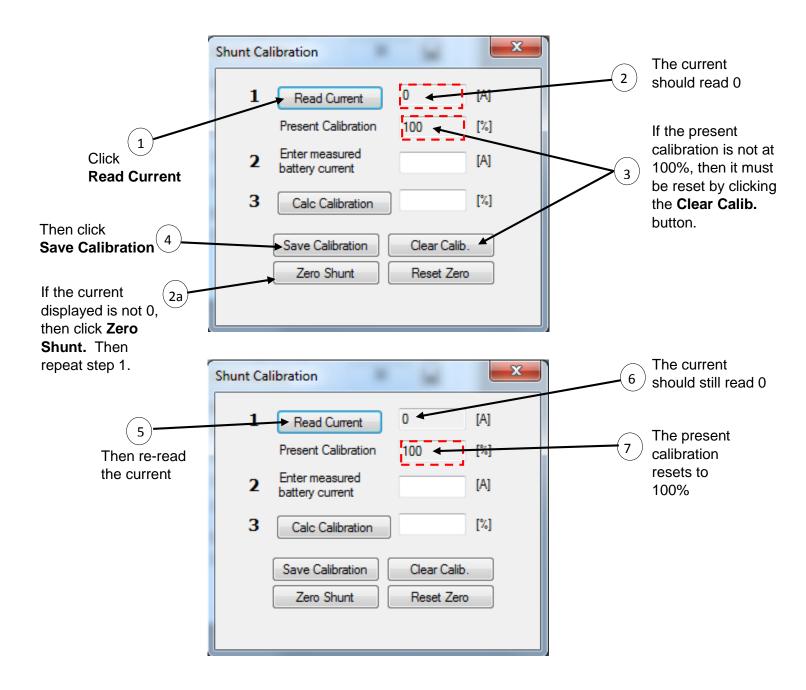
The PowerTrac Monitor uses an intercell connector as a shunt surrogate for current sensing. Due to variances in the intercell connector fabrication, it is recommended that the intercell current measurement be calibrated against a known reference current.



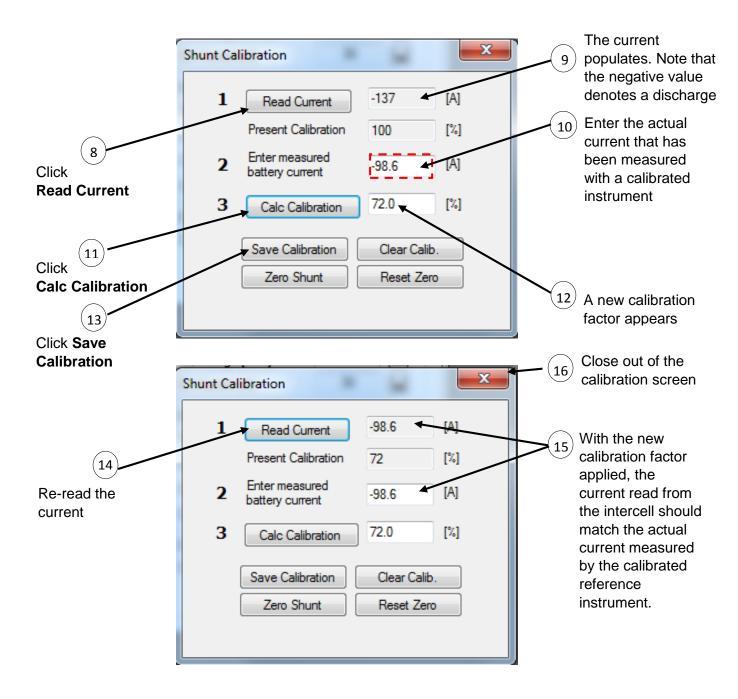
Click **Shunt Calibration.** The intercell connector behaves as a shunt surrogate.

INTERCELL CALIBRATION

Assure that there is no charge or discharge activity (no current flow) on the battery, then click **Read Current**.



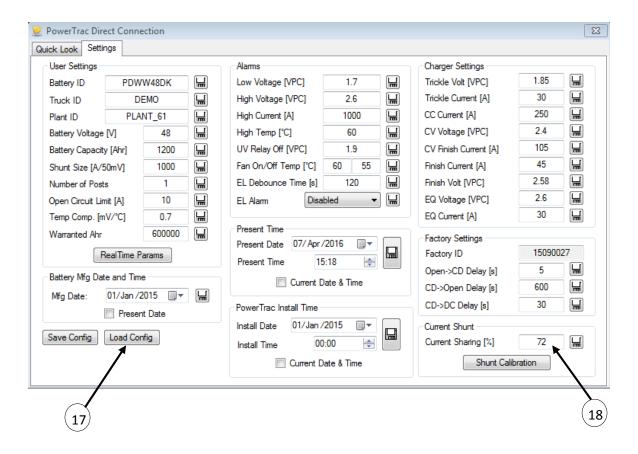
Apply a current to the battery (charge or discharge). The magnitude of this current should be approximately 17-25% of the Ah capacity of the battery. Then click on **Read Current**.



If the current values do not match, then re-run the calibration procedure. If calibration problems persist, then adjust the shunt value as defined on page 15.

To assure that the calibration has been saved, close out of the calibration screen using the red X in the upper right corner of the window.

Reload the parameters with **Load Config** and then check the current sharing parameter in the settings screen.

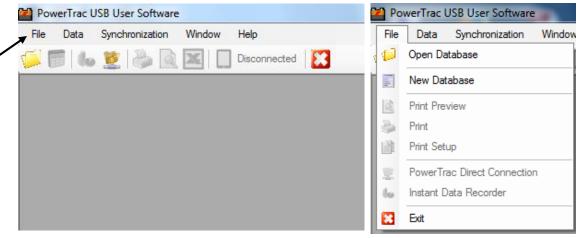


DOWNLOADING THE EVENT HISTORY

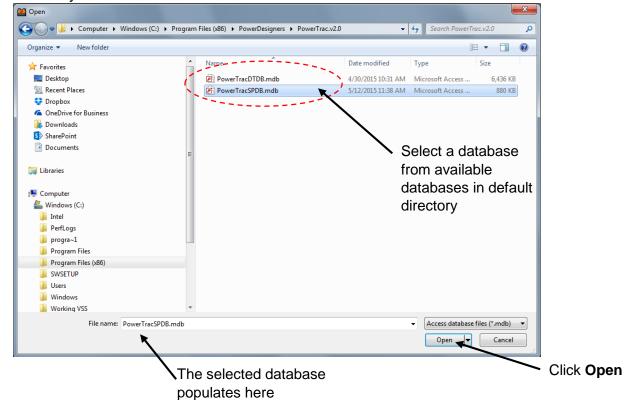
Create a New Database or Open Existing Database

Note: A database can contain several Event History files. Consider the scenario in which the Event History files from several PowerTracs are downloaded at one location. The filename of this database could contain the name of the plant and the location.

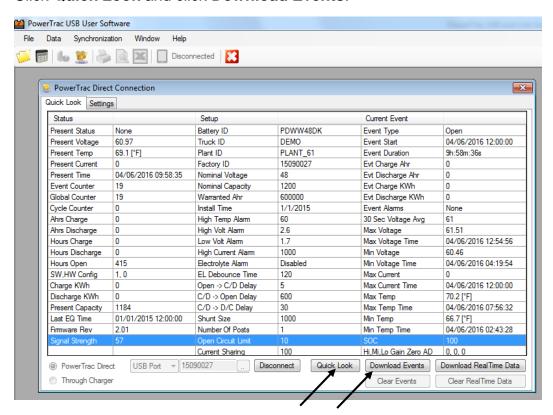
To create new database, go back to the main screen. Click File and select New Database



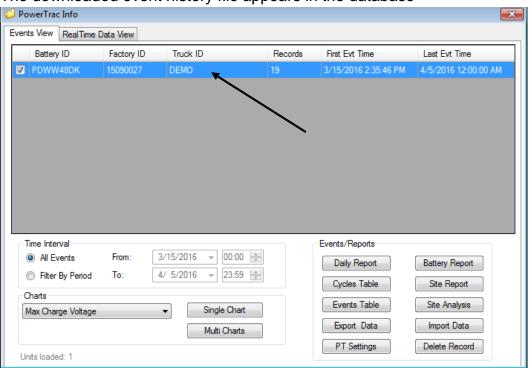
To open an existing go to the main screen. Click **File** and select **Open Database**, then choose your database



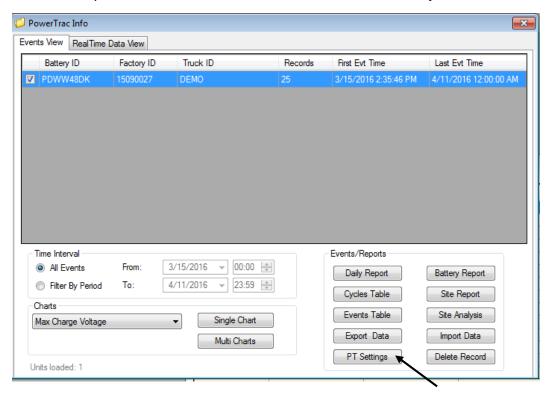
Click Quick Look and click Download Events.



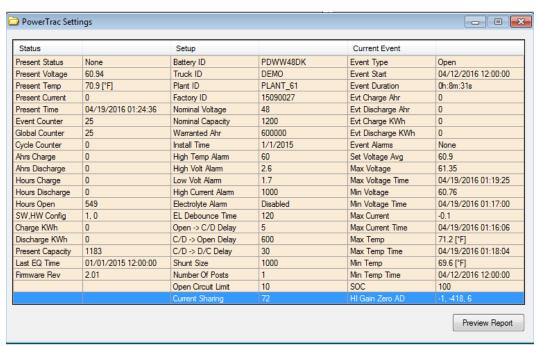
The downloaded event history file appears in the database



Note that the PowerTrac Parameters are saved with the events history file. To view the PowerTrac parameters from the downloaded Events History file, click on **PT Settings**



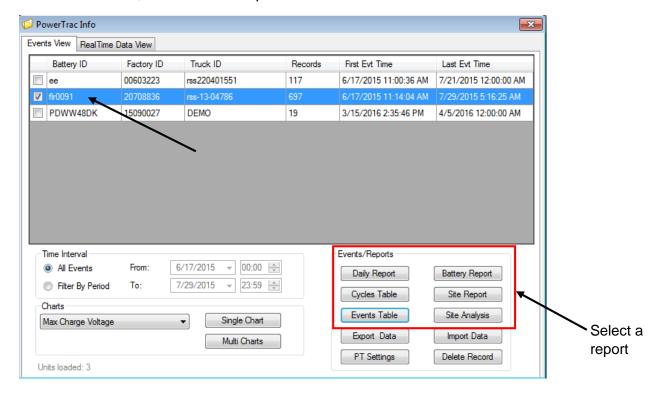
The PowerTrac parameters are displayed in the Quick Look format.



REPORTS AND CHARTS

The PowerTrac USB software has several data reporting and charting features.

Select a data file, then select a report or chart.



Daily Report

The daily report displays a daily summary of charge and discharge Ah and their corresponding elapsed times.

Select Daily Report



Day	Date	Ahr Charge	Ahr Discharge	Ahr Tumover	Open Hours	Discharge Hours	Charge Hours	End Volt/cell	Max Temp°F	Min SOC	Max SOC
Monday	9/28/2015	0	0	0	0h:0m	Oh:Om	Oh:Om	2.11	83.3	100	100
Thursday	10/8/2015	18	178	0.33	5h:40m	7h:48m	Oh:Om	2.13	98.6	71	99
Friday	10/9/2015	467	84	0.16	7h:23m	4h:41m	6h:17m	2.5	103.1	66	100
Wednesday	10/14/2015	17	202	0.37	6h:18m	8h:12m	Oh:Om	2.06	95.54	28	60
Thursday	10/15/2015	510	227	0.42	7h:57m	10h:16m	5h:46m	2.4	96.8	24	93
Friday	10/16/2015	537	231	0.42	6h:50m	9h:49m	7h:20m	2.46	99.14	53	95
Saturday	10/17/2015	229	0	0	19h:5m	0h:0m	4h:54m	2.45	103.46	100	100
Sunday	10/18/2015	0	0	0	24h:0m	Oh:Om	Oh:Om	2.13	87.8	100	100
Monday	10/19/2015	18	213	0.39	15h:11m	8h:48m	0h:0m	2.13	86.54	65	100
Tuesday	10/20/2015	323	230	0.42	9h:40m	10h:9m	4h:10m	2.47	89.96	57	94
Wednesday	10/21/2015	414	268	0.49	7h:34m	11h:21m	5h:3m	2.49	94.64	50	97
Thursday	10/22/2015	26	283	0.52	13h:21m	10h:38m	0h:0m	2.08	93.02	24	67
Friday	10/23/2015	616	214	0.39	6h:45m	10h:30m	6h:44m	2.48	101.48	22	99

Events Table

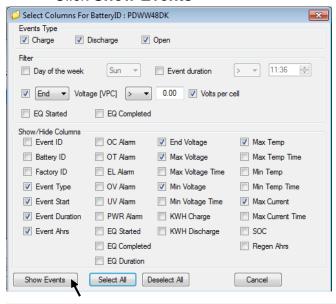
There are three possible states of battery activity: charge, discharge or open (idle). When a change of state occurs, the data from the previous state is saved as an event. These events are captured in the **Events Table**.

Select Events Table



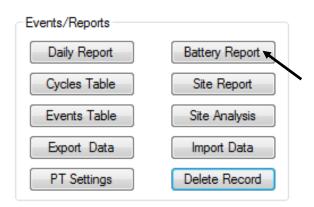
Events table parameter options

- Check parameters to be displayed
- Click Show Events



Event Type	Event Start	Duration	Event Ahr	Max Voltage/ce	Min Voltage/ce	Max Temp°F	Max Current	End Voltage/cell
Discharge	Thu, 10/08/2	03h:04:39	62	2.11	1.82	97.7	-346	2.08
Open	Thu, 10/08/2	00h:25:02	0	2.1	2.09	98.24	-4.8	2.1
Discharge	Thu, 10/08/2	02h:06:18	52	2.09	1.76	98.6	-402.6	2.02
Discharge	Fri, 10/09/20	01h:36:42	32	2.07	1.77	98.42	-378.4	1.99
Charge	Fri, 10/09/20	04h:30:45	341	2.49	2.13	102.92	127.4	2.48
Discharge	Fri, 10/09/20	00h:00:11	0	2.27	2.17	102.92	-146.8	2.36
Open	Fri, 10/09/20	01h:35:09	0	2.26	2.15	103.1	-4.2	2.16
Discharge	Fri, 10/09/20	00h:02:56	1	2.15	1.93	100.94	-277.6	2.09
Open	Fri, 10/09/20	00h:53:10	0	2.15	2.12	100.04	3.6	2.15
Discharge	Fri, 10/09/20	00h:37:39	12	2.13	1.91	99.14	-243.8	2.09

Battery Report



winload Date 4/28/2016 3 ck ID STEVE minal Voltage 36 V erTracSP Settings Voltage Alarm Voltage Alarm Current Alarm Temp Alarm 1-> CD Delay DC Delay	Plant ID	PO	ENG36VLAB WER DESIGN 50 Ahr					
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Voltage Alarm Voltage Alarm Current Alarm Temp Alarm 1->CD Delay	1.7 [VPC] 1000 A							
Voltage Alarm Current Alarm Temp Alarm n->CD Delay	1.7 [VPC] 1000 A							
Current Alarm Temp Alarm n->CD Delay	1000 A							
Temp Alarm n->CD Delay								
n->CD Delay	140 °E							
-	140 F							
DC Delay	5 seconds							
	5 seconds							
Open Delay	5 seconds							
n Circuit Limit	5 A							
nt Size	1000 A							
ber of Posts	3	3						
ent Sharing	72 %	72 %						
ent Zeroing	4;2;2 counts	4;2;2 counts						
ware Version	2.01	2.01						
erTrac Battery Lifetime Accumula	ated Summary Since Inst	allation						
Il Date and Time	10/14/2015 3:36	:00 PM						
ks of Operation	28							
s of Operation Summary	Charge	Discharge	Open					
Total	378 Hrs	248 Hrs	4,011 Hrs					
% Usage	8%	5%	86%					
Ahrs of Operation	<u>Charge</u>	<u>Disharge</u>	% Ahr Returne					
	48,374 Ahrs	41,392 Ahrs	117%					
KWH of Operation	Charge	Disharge						
	2,001 KWH	1,484 KWH						
anted Ahrs Summary	Total	Used	Remaining					
	600,000 Ahrs	41,392 Ahrs	558,608 Ahrs					
t Counter	830							
es Counter	244							

Download Date	4/28/2016 3:50:27 PM		Battery ID		PDENG36VLAB				
Truck ID	STEVE		Plant ID		POWER DESIGN				
Nominal Voltage	36 V		Nominal C	ominal Capacity 1,360 Ah		1,360 Ahr	г		
Downloaded Events Sum	mary [All Events]								
Weeks of Operation		15							
Hours of Operation Summ	ary	Charg	<u>e</u>		<u>Discharge</u>			Open	
Total		127 H	rs	!	96 Hrs		2,305 Hrs		5 Hrs
% Usage		5%			4%		91%		
Connect Time Summary		Connect		ļ	Run		Plug-In Opp		-In Opportunities
Total		2,193	Hrs	!	96 Hrs			238	Hrs
% Summary		87%			4%			9%	
Total Ahrs of Operation		Charge			Dishar	<u>1e</u>		% A	hr Returned
		18,61	4 Ahrs		16,186	Ahrs		115	%
Total KWH Summary		Charg	<u>e</u>		Dishar	<u>je</u>			
		773 K	WH		584 KV	VH			
Average Daily Ahrs Summ	ary	Charge			Dishar	<u>1e</u>		Ahr	Turnover
		532 Ahrs			462 Ahrs		0.4		1
Total Charge Ahr Distribution		Charge			Regen		<u>% F</u>		egen
		18,613 Ahrs			1 Ahrs		0%		
Equalization Charge Sumr	mary	Opportunities			Performed			% o	f Eq. Cycles
		15			0		0%		
Min Discharge Voltage (2	sec)	> 1.70	VPC		1.70 - 1	1.70 VPC		< 1.	70 VPC
Total		28 Days			0 Days		0		ays
% Usage		100%			0%		09		
End Discharge Voltage (3	0 sec)	> 1.70 VPC			1.70 - 1.70VPC		<u>< 1</u>		70 VPC
Total		28 Days			0 Days		0 0		ays
% Usage		100%	6 0%		0%			0%	
Battery Temperature Distri	butions	< 60°l	=		60 - 100°F		> 1		0°F
Total		0 Day	s	!	99 Day	s	9 D		ays
% Usage		0%	929		92%			8%	
SOC Distributions	> 509		<u>25 - 5</u>		25 - 50	50%		< 25%	
Total		107 E		Days 1		1 Days		0 Days	
% Usage	99%		1%		1%			0%	
Low Electrolyte Level Days	/s < 7 da		ays 7 - 14		7 - 14 (4 days		> 14	days
Total	0 Day				0 Days	/s		0 D	ays
% Usage 0%		0%	0%		09		0%	0%	
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CHART OPTIONS

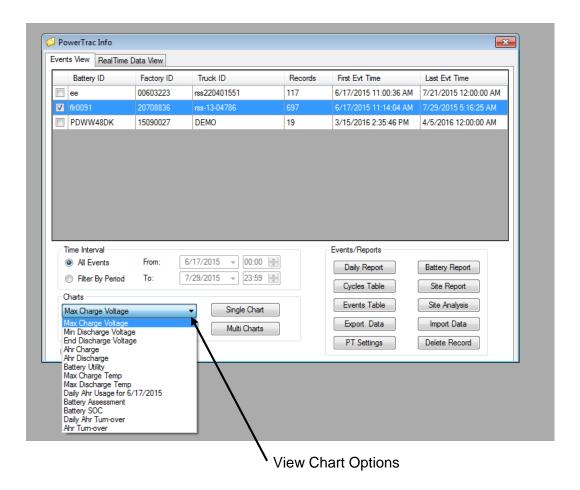
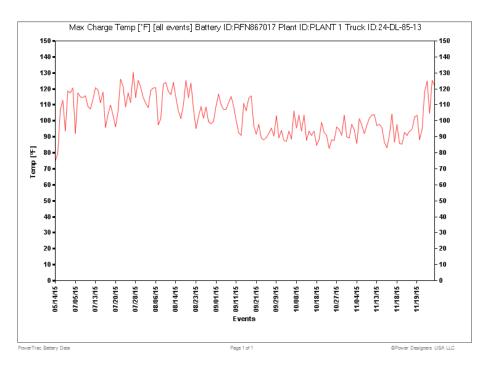
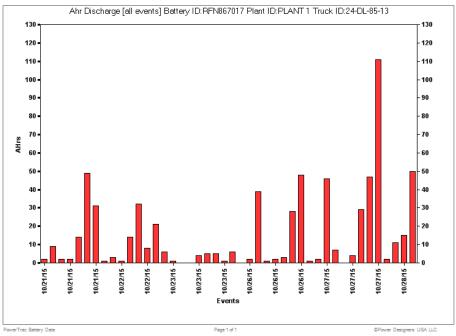


Chart examples





RETURN MATERIAL PROCESS

In the event that the troubleshooting steps included in this manual do not resolve the problem,

- a. Record the charger serial number;
- b. Call Power Designers USA LLC with a description of the problem.

Power Designers USA LLC will attempt to resolve the problem over the phone. If the issue cannot be resolved in this manner, a Return Material Authorization (RMA) form must be completed and submitted to Power Designers USA LLC.

Upon receipt of the completed RMA form, Power Designers USA LLC will issue an RMA number for the return. Based on the serial number of the specific charger(s) and the particular problem encountered, Power Designers USA LLC will either repair or replace the defective components under warranty.

For chargers out of warranty, Power Designers USA LLC, upon receipt of the charger and in consideration of a diagnostic fee, will provide a repair estimate.

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