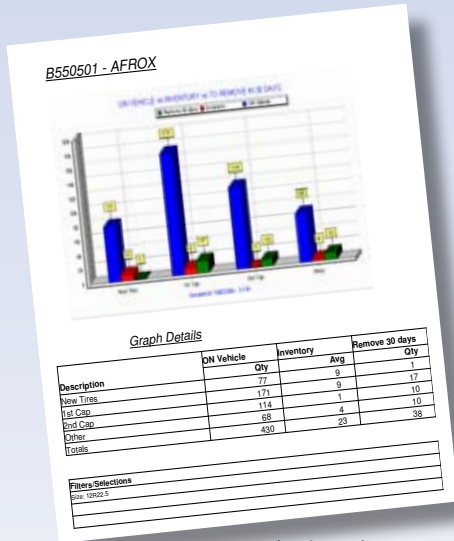


# ProFleet promises tyre management excellence



With 67 well-managed fleets already utilising the ProFleet software in Africa, following its official launch in South Africa in 2000, this unique tyre management tool from Bandag, appears to be gaining swift acceptance with a growing number of transport fleets, among them, Parmalat, AfroX, RTT, BP, Fast 'n Fresh, Algoa Bus Company and Karan Beef.

Research and development for this software system was first instituted in 1983, by Budini Inc. Today, ProFleet is used in 33 countries in five continents and is exclusively available to Bandag SA for sub-Saharan Africa.

With scrap tyre analysis data, breakdown information and fleet survey data now all available in one system, ProFleet ensures complete cradle to grave tyre management, assisting its users in identifying problems and taking corrective action before tyre life is compromised.

Close examination of why tyres fail and are scrapped, can ensure prevention of avoidable failures, while a complete breakdown history will highlight specific trends that too could be avoided, resulting in an overall cost reduction for the fleet.

The report filtering feature of the system allows for performance to be drilled down to a specific wheel axle and by utilising the fleet's own data, an analysis can be drawn up to determine which new or retread make and design is best suited to the fleet's application, thereby further ensuring the best product is consistently selected for best maximisation of the tyre budget.

And not only can ProFleet monitor tyre performance, it also ensures

complete control of tyre stock and can further predict future tyre needs (by using past trends and product performance history) – a widely popular feature with many ProFleet users in that it assists with planning and in turn, results in more accurate budgeting.

What is more, it comes with a set of hand-held tools to ensure fast and precise data entry, ideal for both the user who, with the device in hand, can download vehicle and tyre data to the device as well as fitters who can now easily and accurately capture tread depth and air pressure readings, which are then uploaded to ProFleet. Using the tools, tyre fitters and supervisors can now also complete tyre movements and scrap analysis.

Benefits range from time saving, allowing on-site personnel to deal with maintenance and preventative issues rather than spending time on data capturing, to ensuring the correct readings are uploaded, giving you the confidence that the data stored in and extracted from ProFleet is reliable.

The Fast 'n Fresh depot in Centurion is a typical site of where the tools work best. With more than 2 000 rolling wheels to manage, the Thomas Tyres crew does a sterling job of ensuring the pressures are monitored and the tread depth adheres to the fleet's tyre policy.

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