

## Redmine - Patch #42972

### Refactor and unify the structure of journals, replies and comments

2025-07-07 23:29 - Marius BĂLTEANU

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#### Description

There are 3 places where the user can add notes with different terminologies:

1. Notes for issues
2. Replies for forums/boards
3. Comments for news

In terms of HTML / CSS, even if the look and feel it is almost the same, each has its own definitions in CSS. Regarding Issues, we display 3 kind of information with a similar structure:

- issue history (all / notes / property changes)
- timelogs
- revisions

Working on [#40744](#), I made a patch that brings the following changes:

1. Refactor and unify the structure using journal as common terminology between all five entities (issue, timelog, revision, reply, comment). The change introduces/uses the following classes:

journals: main container that contains all the journals

---> journal: journal entry

-----> journal-header with journal-info and journal-meta and/or journal-actions. journal-meta can be used when there are other elements to display beside journal-actions.

-----> journal-content with journal-display instead of just display

2. Migrate from actions from contextual that is using float to flex rules in order to display the actions / indices on the right

3. Simplify/cleanup the CSS rules.

The patch also brings an updated UI for notes ([#40744](#)).

#### History

##### #1 - 2025-07-07 23:32 - Marius BĂLTEANU

I would like to take some feedback before committing this because of the structure changes that will affect themes / plugins developers.

##### #2 - 2025-07-08 10:02 - Janet Shires

This patch ([#40744](#)) unifies the HTML/CSS structure for various platform entries (notes, replies, comments, issue history, timelogs, revisions) under a common "journal" terminology. It introduces consistent classes like journals and journal, migrates action layouts to flex rules, and simplifies CSS, ultimately delivering a cleaner, more maintainable codebase and an updated UI for notes. <https://www.upsers.us.com>

#### Files

0001-Unify-the-look-and-feel-of-issue-notes-news-replies-.patch	31.9 KB	2025-07-07	Marius BĂLTEANU
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