

How to get the track out of your GPS.

Step 1. Get a cable from Radio Shack or somewhere that converts the Serial port from the back of your GPS to a USB port in your computer. Your GPS probably came with a cable, but it also probably won't hook up with your computer directly.

http://www.ehow.com/how_5892483_connect-receiver-usb-windows-xp.html

--don't forget to load the driver for the cable.

Another source is <http://www.iogear.com/product/GUC232A/>

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Step 2. Go on the internet and find "G7toWin"

http://download.cnet.com/G7ToWin/3000-12940_4-10676231.html

Step 3. Hook up the GPS to the Computer and open G7toWin. Select, Download tracks from GPS from the choices.

Step 4. Save the download on your drive first as a .g7t or .gpx file. Then you can disconnect the Computer and GPS. G7toWin normally saves the file to the g7twinwithhelp directory where the program is installed.

Step 5. Email the Track file to the BAMA race replay coordinator.

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Step 6. Open the download again and save as a .kml file (Google Earth). Open Google Earth and open the .kml file (or double click and select Google Earth as the default program).

<http://earth.google.com/download-earth.html> At the lower left side of the screen there is a slider bar and a box to the right of the slider bar. Click on that box (it is not obvious that that box is the play button) and the tracks will begin playing (inside the viewing window will be fast forward, pause, etc.). You probably will have more than one track, so you can edit the original one to get the track you want to view and erase the ones you do not want--editing is a matter of selecting the points you DO NOT WANT and deleting them. Once you are happy with your downloads, pick up your GPS and erase all the tracks so you don't download them again (and again).