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### **Downloading the Venue Racing Software**

Open up the internet explorer (start > internet explorer).

Then type in the address:

www.concept2.com/us/support/software/venue\_race/

Click on downloads. This then leads to the next page like the one opposite:

Then click on the Save or Run box, accept and click ok. Then the software will be downloaded and then can be used.

A download dialogue box will now open giving the options Run, Save or Cancel.

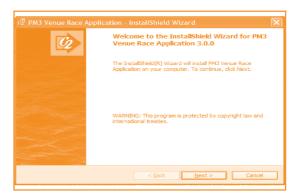
To install immediately click Run. When the download is complete click Run to start the installation. This will open the Installation Wizard to complete the installation.

To install at a later time click Save and select a download location for the installation file. Once the file has been downloaded the software can be installed at any time by navigating to the download location and double clicking on the installation file. As above this will open the Installation Wizard.



# **Installing the Venue Racing Software**

Double click on the appropriate downloaded setup, The Installation Wizard will pass it through some set up pages before coming to the page opposite:



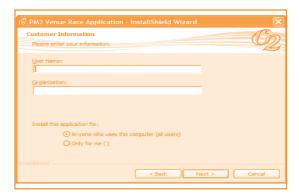
Click on the next button:

This then leads on to the next page which should look like similar to the window opposite:

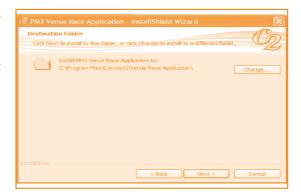


Accept the terms of the agreement, then click next, which should proceed to the next page.

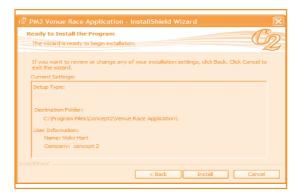
Fill in the appropriate information, and then click Next.



This should lead to the page opposite. If the destination to install the Venue Race application is okay, then click next, but if the destination is not the desired one then click change and set the appropriate destination. Then click next.



The box opposite then appears confirming the installation information. If this information is okay then click Install, but if this information is wrong then go back and change it.



The installation then occurs and then when the installation finishes click finish to close the installation box.

#### **Using the Race Venue Software**

Prior to running a race, you must decide on which method to use to connect the Performance Monitors to the Venue Race Application. This is often decided by the size of the venue. The following table can be used to determine the method of connection that will best suit your race. For most systems in schools we recommend the use of the Ethernet method because it is less complicated and more stable.

### **Connection method guidelines**

CONNECTION METHOD	RECOMMENED VENUE SIZE	MAXIMUM RESTRICTIONS	REQUIREMENTS
USB	2 - 10	Maximum 28 (Can be unstable)	Hubs
Ethernet (RJ 45)	2 – 40	Maximum 40	PM4

#### **Installing the Venue Race Application (VRA)**

Before racing, your PC needs to meet all minimum requirements and make sure that all PC power management features such as screen savers are turned off.

Download any of the Concept 2 applications or utilities from:

#### http://www.concept2.com/us/support/software/

Run the setup.exe file you downloaded.

Click I agree and then click Next.

Continue clicking Next until the installation is complete.

All the utilities will be placed in a Concept 2 folder in your programs menu and shortcut icons will appear on your desktop.

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#### **Use in Schools**

For most systems in schools it will be appropriate to use the Ethernet system as it is more stable and less complicated than other systems.

For connecting the machines together download the support documentation from:

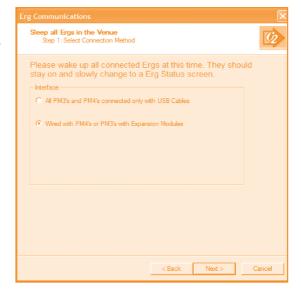
# www.concept2.com/us/support/software/venue\_race/support.asp

To access the race venue software click Start, Programs, Concept 2 and then double click on Race Venue.

The page opposite then opens up, click on Next which then proceeds to the following page:

Here select the appropriate interface options, which will usually be Ethernet (Expansion Modules), and then click Next. A similar page should appear.





The computer will then discover the Indoor Rowing Machines (Ergs). Please make sure that the monitors are on when discovering the machines on the race system. If the right amount of Ergs are found, click Next. But if this number is wrong then click Help and rediscover. Keep discovering until the right amount of indoor rowing machines is found by the race venue software. Once they are discovered click Next. Then a similar page should appear:



Then click Number all Ergs, and then go to all of the monitors and press the next lane button. Use the accept or reject lane options to assign the appropriate lane numbers to the Ergs.

After accepting these lane numbers click the Done Numbering button which appears on the screen. And then click Next.

This will then take you on to the following page



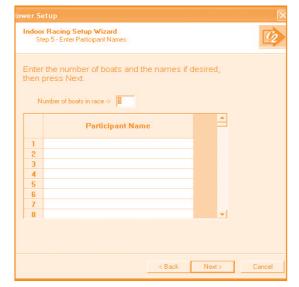
Then select the appropriate options, in stages 1, 2 and 3, then click Next.

Then fill in the participants name into the appropriate box. Click Next which should lead on to a page similar to the page opposite:



Then click Finish and the box opposite should appear:

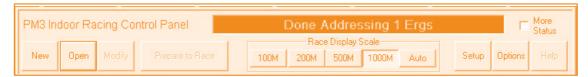
Here the race data can be saved by changing the file name and/or changing the desired location, and then click Save.



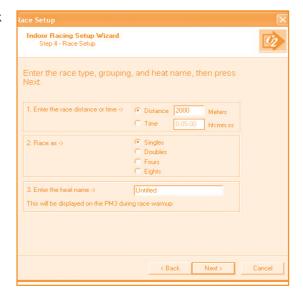
Then the program is set up and all that remains to be done is click on the Prepare to Race button in the Indoor Racing Control Panel. The screens will then count down and the race will begin.

### How to set up a New Race Venue System Software

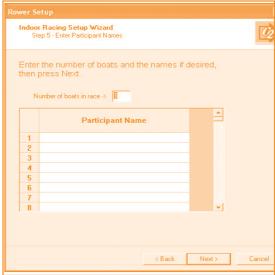
On the above panel click on the New button. This will then take you on the following page:



Then select the appropriate options and click Next.



Then fill in the participants name into the appropriate box. Click Next which should lead on to a page similar to the window shown

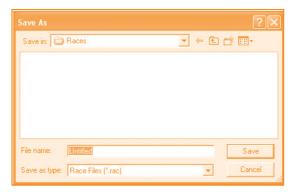




Then click Finish and the following box should appear:

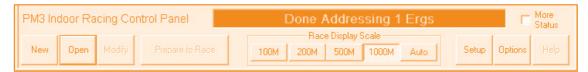
Here the data can be saved by setting the desired file location, changing the file name and clicking Save.

Then the program is set up and all that remains to be done is click on the Prepare to Race in the Indoor Rowing Control Panel. The screen will then count down and the race will begin.



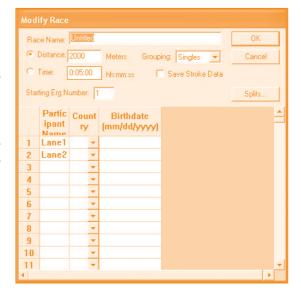
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## **Opening Saved Races**



Inside the Indoor Racing Control Panel shown above, click upon Open. This following box will pop up.

From this box, Modify Race, the data can be changed from the original data which was saved. Once the information has been altered click on Ok. Then the program is set up and all that remains to be done is click on the Prepare to Race in the Indoor Rowing Control Panel. The screens will then count down and the race will begin.



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### **How to Change the Race Setup**

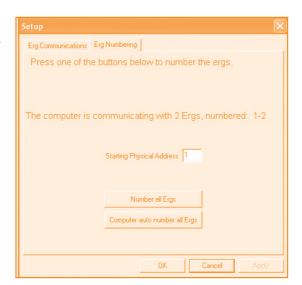


On the Indoor Racing Control Panel, shown above, click on the Setup button. Then the following picture should appear. Here the way the rowing machines communicate to each other can be altered and new machines can be discovered if they are lost.

By clicking on Erg Numbering tab the machines numbers can now be altered.

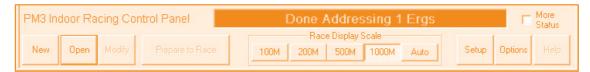


Once the appropriate ergs have been altered then click Ok so the settings can be used in the race setup.



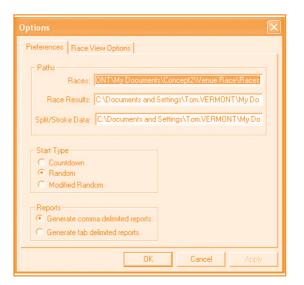
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#### **How to Change the Race Options**

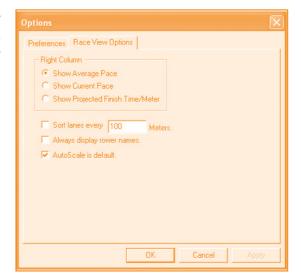


By clicking the Options box on the Indoor Racing Control Panel, the following box appears:

Clicking on the Preferences tab a screen similar to the one opposite should appear. In the Paths section of this box race data, race results and split/stroke data can be easily changed by typing in the desired location. In this options box the start type can also be altered to that desired by clicking on either Countdown, Random, or Modified Random. Report types can also be altered in the Options Preferences. Then if the Race View Options tab is clicked the following view will appear:



Here the view of the race can be altered easily by clicking and ticking the appropriate boxes. Once the appropriate changes have been made then Ok can be clicked and the view will return to the race screen.



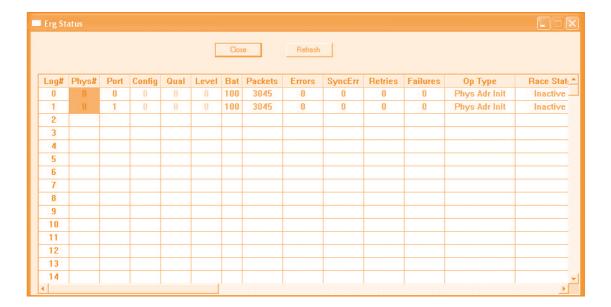
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# **Showing More Race Information**



Within the Indoor Racing Control Panel, if the More Status box is clicked then the following box appears which shows more information. If the data has been changed then click Refresh to get the updated sheet.

To close the Erg Status box click on the Close box.



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### **Changing the Race Display Scale**



To change the scale of the race screen either click upon the race display scale on the following box:

Or the race display scale can also be changed by clicking on the 100,200,500,1000 or Auto and the scale will change appropriately:



#### **How to Get Help**

To gain help in the Race Venue Software click on Help on the top bar of the software shown below, or click on Help with in the Indoor Racing Control Panel.



# Downloading Support Documentation for Venue Racing

Access Internet Explorer (Start > Internet Explorer). Then type in:

# www.concept2.com/us/support/software/venue\_race/support.asp

Then click upon the desired information that is wanted, and accept and save the information into a desired file.

