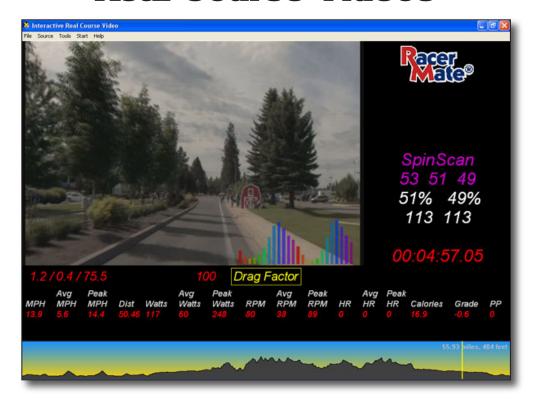
## Interactive Real Course Videos



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# CompuTrainer VELotron



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#### SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS

### Minimum Computer System Requirements for Interactive Real Course Videos:

- Pentium 4 class computer (or faster)
- Windows XP/Vista.
- DirectX version 9.0 or higher (included)
- DVD-ROM drive for installation of software.
- 64MB Video RAM (minimum) 128MB or higher (optimum)
- Xvid Video Codec (included)
- Microsoft C++ redistributable (included)

#### <u>Hardware System Requirements for</u> <u>Interactive Real Course Videos:</u>

- CompuTrainer Pro or Lab system
- Handlebar Controller version 25.43 or higher (45.43 for Drag Factor functions)
- Velotron (for Velotron version). No update currently required.
- Serial Port or USB to Serial adapter.

To order upgrade CompuTrainer components (if needed) visit: http://www.computrainer.com/rm inc/sales/upgrades.html

#### **Quick Start using Interactive Real Course Videos**

#### Installation Instructions - Interactive Real Course Videos

- 1. Shut down any programs you may be running.
- 2. Insert the installation DVD into your DVD-ROM drive. Setup will begin when the drive door is closed.
- 3. From this menu, select the option you wish to install and follow the instruction on the screen to install your software. **Note:** There is a CompuTrainer and a Velotron version on the disc.
- 4. Your software is now installed. Launching the software will bring you to the Interactive Real Course Video menu. From this screen you establish the rider modes (Source) and the select the video course you may want to ride (Start) in addition to the setting and data you may want on the race screen (Tools).

#### If the Install menu does not appear:

- 1. If the autorun feature for your DVD-ROM drive is disabled, click **Start**, then **Run**.
- In the command line text box, type: D:\Autorun.exe (where D: is the letter of your CD-ROM drive) and then click OK.
- 3. Continue as noted above, line 3.

#### <u>Uninstall Instructions - Interactive Real Course Videos</u>

Interactive Real Course Videos can be easily uninstalled. The Uninstall routine will remove the files added at the time the software or video course was first installed, but the uninstall process will not remove files added to the program after the software was installed; like, log files, etc. An option to remove these files is noted below.

- 1. Shut down any programs you may be running.
- 2. Go to your Start Menu, Settings, Control Panel, Add/Remove Programs
- 3. Locate the Interactive Real Course Video software or course and click Remove.
- 4. To verify all the files and folders are removed, double-click **My Computer** and then double-click the drive you installed the software (default being C:\Real Course Video). Right-click the Real Course Video folder and left-click on delete.

#### Software Updates for Interactive Real Course Videos

Updates to the Interactive Real Course Video (IRCV) software may come from time to time and depending on when the DVD was created an update may already be available for the software on the original install disc. You should always check the Tech Support links at www.racermateinc. com for any updates you have available to you.

#### **Registering Interactive Real Course Videos**

#### Registration Instructions - Computer connected to the Internet

- 1. Install the Interactive Real Course Video (IRCV) application and Video Course.
- 2. Launch the IRCV application and go to **Start Video** and choose the video you want to register.
- 3. If the video is not registered, you will be prompted to register. Choose **Yes** to register.
- 4. You will then be asked for your First Name, Last Name, and e-mail address. These are all required fields. When done, click OK. (See Page 10 for our Privacy Statement).
- 5. If your Internet connection was successful to communicate with our registration server, there should be a "Registration Success" message. Click OK to close that message and the video will open in a registered form.

If the registration wasn't successful: If an error occurs, you can try to register again as normal, or attempt a manual registration as shown below. The following registration routine was designed for those who **do not** have their CompuTrainer systems connected to the Internet. If you use the following steps and you are connected to the Internet on your CompuTrainer computer, just ignore the steps referring to copying and moving the reg files between computers.

#### Registration Instructions - Remote Internet computer

During the video course installation a Registration Key was created within the C:\RCVReg folder for the video you installed. For instance if you installed Ironman™ Coeur d'Alene, the registration file for this is CDA.reg. You will need to transfer this file to your Internet computer and upload it to the RacerMate registration server (the best way to do this is with a USB pocket drive). You only need to get this tiny little "Reg" file off your CompuTrainer computer and onto your Internet computer.

- 1. Launch **Windows Explorer** or **My Computer** and browse to the C:\RCVReg folder Locate the reg file for the video you are registering and copy it to a pocket drive, floppy, or burn it to a CD-ROM.
- 2. Go to the computer you have connected to the Internet.
- 3. Go to the following web page: <a href="https://www.racermate.net/RCVreg.php">www.racermate.net/RCVreg.php</a>
- 4. On this page you will be asked to enter your name and e-mail address. Then "upload" the Reg file to the registration server by browsing to the drive containing the Reg file.
- 5. You will then be provided a very long code you'll be able to copy and paste into a simple text file (use Notepad.exe) you will name **reg.txt**.
- 6. Copy that reg.txt file onto your transport drive, or disc, and move it back to the CompuTrainer computer.
- 7. Open the file **vid.ini** from within the Real Course Video application and you will see a section in this file called Registration. Copy the long code from the text file on your transport drive into this section of vid.ini, close it and save changes. Your course should now be registered.

If you don't see the correct "reg file" in the C:\RCVReg folder, check the IRCV web forum first. Then, if necessary, contact RacerMate technical support @ 206-524-7392 for assistance.

#### **Using your Interactive Real Course Video Software**

The basic attempt in designing the Interactive Real Course Video (IRCV) software was to make it as familiar and simple for existing users of CompuTrainer software. It contains a similar structure as does the CompuTrainer Coaching Software and a few similarities as well with the 3D software screens. It is our hope that this simplicity of setup and use will minimize the learning curve and get you on the bike guickly.

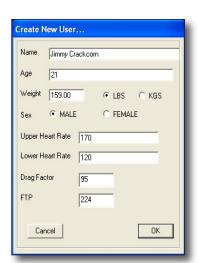
#### Setup your Interactive Real Course Video software

**Rider Setup**: Choose Source New and create a rider profile for you and any other potential rider. This screen contains the basic setup parameters for each rider.

You will notice you can set the FTP, which is used to enable the TSS/ IF/NP values on the race screen. The values are used by permission from the Training Peaks™ group of software.

When you have finished entering your data, click on **OK** to display the Save dialog where you will give the setup a user name in the "**Save** as:" line. Click **OK** to save after typing in a name.

On future attempts to the run the IRCV software, where a rider will be different than the previous rider, choose **Source / Open** to choose a rider that may exist. If you need to edit the rider information, now is the time to do it. It will append the rider data if changes are made.



Select Color

TSS/IF/NP ▼

Drag Factor 🔽

**Setting your Communication Port**: The Communication port is set in the Source menu (Comm Port...), or search for it in the Tools menu by selection Test Comm Ports. When the search is complete on the latter option, the Comm Port setting under Source will be established automatically.

Options

Data Bar

☐ Off

Feet

Watts

Pulse

BPM

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☐ Wide Screen

AVG

V

V

V

OK

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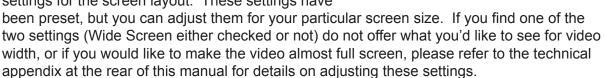
Cancel

Wind

V

**Setting Race Screen Options**: Set the race screen options in the **Tools / Options** menu. It is here you establish the data you see on the Race Screen Data Bar. Similar to the 3D Software, the Data Bar will allow you to select as few or as many items as you want to see as well as displaying metric data. Be aware the more items you select the smaller the fonts will become to accommodate your selections.

Selecting **Wide Screen** will adjust some of the settings for the screen layout. These settings have



**Select Color** determines the color of your data bar and rider cursor color.

Please Note: Wind, though an option, is not active in IRCV yet, but is included for future compatibility. There are also Velotron specific functions not shown in the picture above and also in the Tools menu.

**Starting a Video - Realtime**: The difference between Realtime and Saved File mode is whether you have an opponent rider or not. Realtime means you have no other previous performance data on the screen, whereas Saved File loads a previous performance recording for you to compete with. Each setting locks out the Start menu for the other to help keep things in order.

To begin, select **Source - RealTime** 

Select **Start, Video**. This will allow you to browse to the various video subfolders, where the video.avi file is found (where video.avi may be cda.avi or kona.avi, etc.). Double-click the AVI file to load the video.

Select **Start - Last Video** to load the last video selected without needing to browse for it.



**Please Note:** When the video is present on the screen the Data Bar should NOT say **No Communication** if the CompuTrainer is plugged in and turned on and the correct Communications Port was selected under Source / Comm Port...

**F1** on the Handlebar Controller will start and pause the race. If you would like to recalibrate your CompuTrainer in the middle of a ride, you can press F1 to pause and calibrate just like our other software. Details on this function are found in the technical appendix at the rear of this manual.

**RESET** causes the Save Performance dialog to appear, with options to cancel, etc.

**F2** will scroll through the SpinScan graphs. SpinScan data is always displayed on the right video panel above the timer.

#### Starting a Race in the middle of the course.

You can begin a ride at any point within the video course. This happens using Ctrl-G on the PC keyboard. The Ctrl-G distance must not exceed the length of the video course.

Please Note: Corrections were often needed to synchronize the video data with the course data, which was collected using a GPS. Some of these corrections required lengthy time-offsets, which will be displayed under normal riding conditions by the display of "You are here" images on the race course that will last as long as needed until the offset is completed. Using the Ctrl-G feature to place your rider on the course after time offsets may require these time offsets to occur consecutively before you can begin to ride the course, which will be evident by starting the ride and seeing time running and distance accruing with you seemingly not moving down the road. In these cases, you must continue to pedal until the offset(s) have been reached at which point the video will begin. Improvements to eliminate this issue are being looked into.

**Finishing a Race.** You can finish the ride or end at any time during the during. As previously noted you can press the RESET key on your Handlebar Controller and display the Save Performance dialog. If you press RESET during a ride by accident, you will be given the opportunity to Cancel and continue riding.

**Performance Files**: Performance Files are saved with a UserName/CourseName/Date/ Time.3DP convention within the folder C:/Real Course Video/Perfs. These files are fully compatible for use as an opponent in Real Course Video as well as CompuTrainer 3D. They can also be viewed and exported in the Computrainer Coaching Software.

**Saving a Race Performance file**: At the end of a ride, or after any RESET key press, you will be prompted to save a performance file.

F1 will save the performance with your name, the course name, the date and time.3DP

**F2** will not save a performance file.

**F3** to Cancel if you pressed RESET during a ride and didn't mean to do so. This option does not appear in the dialog if the rider crosses the finish line.

#### Switching from RealTime to a Saved Race Performance file

To refresh the application to change the **Start** or **Source** menu, or to change **Options**, hit the "**R**" key on the PC keyboard, or the **RESET** on the Handlebar Controller. You can now change settings in the various menus.

**Starting a Video - Saved File**: Loading a saved file performance loads not only the performance, but will also load the correct video that is associated with this video. This means you can only share performance files with fellow users who have also purchased the same video.

To begin select **Source -Saved File**.

Now choose **Start - Performance** and load a performance, if available, from the Perfs folder. This will load the performance file and enable the second

data bar. A **Lead** display will also appear below the *RacerMate* logo.



Selecting **Last Performance** loads the very last performance you saved (i.e., Lastperf.3DP) and will continue to select the very next lastperf.3DP file at each reset/save routine within one session. This will allow you to ride the same section of course at increasing tempos. Selecting **Last Selected Performance** is similar to loading Last Video. It's just going to load the last performance file you road against by selection.

During a race against a Saved Race Performance, there will be a new line of data representing the pervious performance data and the word **LEAD** will appear below the RacerMate logo in the upper right corner of the screen. The Lead will change colors to represent the rider who is in the lead and by how far. There will also be a cursor for the performance race on the profile display. If the performance was from a **Ctrl-G** ride, the video will load to the original **Ctrl-G** location.

#### <u>Technical Appendix - Special Features</u>

**Demo Mode**: Select Demo mode to watch the video without riding the bike. After you have loaded a video, you can use your page-up and page-down keys to speed up and slow down the movie in 5 MPH increments.

**Vid.ini**: This is the control file for IRCV and it resides in the *Real Course Video* folder. There are a few items in this file you can edit using Notepad to adjust what you see on the screen or enable certain features as follows:

[options] ;Standard Screen Settings video right percentage=.75000 max side font size=45

;Wide Screen Settings WS video right percentage=.60000 WS max side font size=35

Fullscreen=true/false (if true, removes all data and is video only. Velotron only 11/2008)

These settings determine the width of the video on the screen in percentage and the side font size "cap". You can customize these settings based upon the screen size and resolution of your monitor. For instance, if you have a wide screen monitor, you may want to leave the wide screen setting as is, but adjust the Standard setting to make the video take up .99000 of the screen for the largest video possible. These settings will squeeze out other data, like the side data or the Data Bar data, so be careful. If you go smaller, you may want to "cap" the max side font to 20 points to keep it from growing too large. Play with them. The defaults are shown here, so you can always go back to these if you mess things up.

course scale=0.400000

This setting determines the height of the course profile. Again, this might give you the room you need to get the largest video, yet still see data in your Data Bar you can read without a microscope.

bars window scale factor=0.350000

This setting allows you to display any size of SpinScan bars or Polar graph on the Video inlay. .990000 would fill the video window with a bar graph.

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top color=5, 167, 251
bottom color=251, 237, 5
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This setting allows you to adjust the two colors that make up the "Sky gradient" above the course profile. These are RGB color numbers.

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save report=false
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Setting this option to true will display the Save Report dialog. Please note that this feature has some known issues and will not display the Save Report dialog when saving a race prior to the finish line. This feature will be fixed and the option will be added to the Options Screen.

show course info=true

This setting displays the course name and length max elevation gain data on the course profile.

#### **PC and Keyboard Shortcuts**

#### PC Keyboard:

CTRL-G = Start From

G = Go

Spacebar = Pause

R = Reset

PageUP and PageDOWN = Speed control in Demo Mode in 5 MPH increments

Arrow Up/Down = Speed Control in Demo Mode in 1 MPH increments

D = Debug display

#### **Handlebar Controller**

F1 = Starts and Pauses Race

F2 = SpinScan graphics

RESET During ride = End Race (Save dialog appears)

RESET After ride/save = Exit the video and re-enable the file menu.

#### **Troubleshooting**

Should you have trouble with your Interactive Real Course Videos, be sure to first check the RacerMate Forum for this application found at:

http://www.racermate.net/phpBB2/index.php

If you can't find your answer there, post a question and we'll answer it for everyone to use for future reference. Otherwise, you can contact customer support at:

Tel: 206-524-7392

e-mail: service@racermateinc.com

#### **Software Updates**

Software updates for Interactive Real Course Video can be found, when available, at:

www.computrainer.com/RCV/updates.htm (CompuTrainer) www.velotron.com/RCV/updates.htm (Velotron)

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