

Split Second Software Change Request

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Subject: Add *Send Race File* service to email race data file

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Description:

It would be very helpful to have a variation of the current *Send SkiData Files* operation in the *Activities* menu that would provide the ability to easily email a race data file. This seems to be a reasonably common activity, e.g. the timer in the race shack sends the race data file back to the office for the RA by email or an RA needs to send a race data file.

Workaround:

To send a race data file, use the capability provided in your email program to compose a message and attach the Split Second race data file.

1. Compose a new email message and fill in recipient, subject, and a short message in the usual fashion.
2. Use the operation provided by your email program to attach a file to the message you are composing. Typically this will open a File dialog that lets you select the file you wish to attach. Use the file selection dialog to navigate into your **Documents** folder – locate and open the **SplitSecond** folder there, then go into **the National FIS** folder where the data files for USSA/FIS races are stored. (Open the **Club** folder if sending a race file from the Club software). Locate and select the file containing the race you wish to send. Verify that the file attachment is now associated with your message.
3. Repeat the preceding if you wish to attach multiple race files to the email.
4. Send the email message.

Additional Information:

I've relied for years on having RA's send me the actual Split Second race data files from masters races, either because I'm helping them to set up the file properly or to get race results in a form where I can check/correct data validity before exporting to SkiData or Fisresults xml format for further processing. Given the variety of computer skills among race workers, it can be challenging to have to explain the notion of "file", "directory", and "attachment". I'd love to be able to just tell them to push a simple operation button from within Split Second and fill in an email address.