**Summary:**

- MapRun6 has been released and I encourage you to start to use it.

- It is a separate App, so it can co-exist with MapRunF as users start to adopt it.

- MapRunG (Garmin Watch) continues to grow in popularity with now 15% of all runs being done with the Garmin Watch version. (Suitable Garmin watches like Forerunner 245 are available at a reasonable price).

**Details:**

**Growth:**

- Use of MapRun has grown by a factor of x10 during Covid and has achieved approx 11,000 individual runs in a month.

**MapRun6:**

The latest version of MapRun is now available in the Play Store and App Store.

The update has been released as a separate App: “MapRun6” so that it can co-exist with MapRunF as it is progressively adopted by users.

Ultimately, MapRun/MapRunF/MapRun6 will be rationalised.

Key features and fixes in MapRun6 are:

- Enhanced responsiveness in getting an initial GPS fix and getting the best possible tracking throughout the run (uses multiple location feeds)

- Events can now used QR Codes for punching (mainly for permanent courses)

- “Show Me”: Events can be set that allow the runner to tap a “Show Me” button a set number of times to display their current location (great for beginners).

- More Scoring Schemes - This is achieved by “parameter-based” scoring (ScoreP), where the organiser can set 10 individual parameters to create their own custom scoring scheme (see <http://maprunners.weebly.com/parameter-based-scoring---scorep.html> and be sure to test your custom scheme using the test function in the Console.)

- Date Ranges for Events - Events can be set with dates ranges for: 1. to run in the event, 2. to see the results table and 3. to see runners tracks. (eg don’t show anyones tracks until the end of the allowed window of participation)

- Strava - The problems some users were having logging in to Strava have been resolved and you can now set whether your track is uploaded to Strava: Always, Prompt each time, or Never.

- Convenience factors:

- See not only all results in the current event, but also all results in all Events

- Return to the last event folder visited (if you are often getting your events from the same folder)

- The punch sound on an iPhone is now the same whether the phone is awake or asleep

- Events can be sent to MapRunG without requiring the PIN (even if the event is locked with a PIN). This is to allow runners to get the event onto their watch before coming to the event.

- A button on the run screen recentres the map on the Start (useful it the map has been panned off the screen)

- Map and Control Display

- Events can now be set where the map  and course is not shown at all on the phone, or

- If shown, whether controls are visible: Always, Only after punching or Never

- These options are to support “Radio Direction Finder”-type events and novelty events where a clue sheet leads to the next control etc.

The full release notes are at: <http://maprunners.weebly.com/releases.html>

For discussion about MapRun6 please use the MapRun Forum topic on MapRun6 (http://maprun.250607.n8.nabble.com/MapRun-v6-tp934.html). Here you will find:

- Known issues – See: <http://maprun.250607.n8.nabble.com/MapRun-v6-tp934p935.html>

- Any updates and what they address

- Where you can post about any new issues