

## Re: Driving and Sailing ... where to go from here(?)

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On Thu, 15 Feb 2007 09:31:49 GMT, "Dennis Pogson" <[dennis\\_nospampogson@xxxxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:dennis_nospampogson@xxxxxxxxxxxxx)> wrote:

You would have to ascertain WHY the usb-serial converter is not working. Did you specify it was for Win XP? I have an older one that will not work with XP, but bought a second one which works perfectly. Are you absolutely sure it is the converter which is not being recognised and not some other WinXP problem, such as recognising the serial device as a serial mouse?

I think also you might also consider buying a new GPS such as the GPSMAP60C/Cs. Mine works perfectly either through it's serial port or through it's USB interface.

Thanks DP

Yes, indeed I did specify XP. And actually, two of the converters actually did work, on the road, with the GPSr and Street Atlas up and running -- but only for a few minutes. Then the whole business went berserk, with the mouse pointer jumping all over the screen, and new windows popping up and disappearing at random. I talked with Garmin and they actually had a name for this phenomenon: "Crazy Mouse" syndrome. And they did indeed, as you have suggested, implicate serial mouse interactions, and we made some registry changes to accommodate them. But that only worked for a while, and the problem re-emerged. This was essentially the same behavior for all three converters that I tried.

Can you please tell me the make and model of the converter that did work for you?

Maybe I am at the point, as both you and GSV have suggested, that I should just buy a new GPSr with a USB interface. I didn't realize that the MAP60C/Cs had both a serial port and USB interface. Is that true, or did I misread you?

Finally, if I am to get a new GPSr, I would want one that will support me at least as well as my old 12MAP, on both the road and water, even without

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a laptop interface. Do you feel that the 60C would be OK for that? Or is there a better option?