



Instrument Display on a Wireless PDA

Ockam Eye Software

Numerous Ockam equipped boats have onboard computers linked to their instruments. Many of these setups reside at the nav station, occasionally with touchscreen monitors in the cockpit. Some boats are equipped with special purpose on-deck devices like the TouchPC based ESP or Sailmath's Deckman. Certainly the benefit of an interfaced computer is significant – but so is the cost and complexity, making it imperative to fully use the information without hindering or otherwise compromising the actual sailing of the boat: this is, in fact, quite a tall order.

What would be ideal? How about a reasonably priced package that let's you see plenty of information and offers key control of the system. The components should be readily available and well supported technically. It would be nice if the gear could serve a useful purpose off the boat. How about small enough to slip into a pocket, with enough battery life to last through a typical race around the cans?

Oh, and...make it wireless.

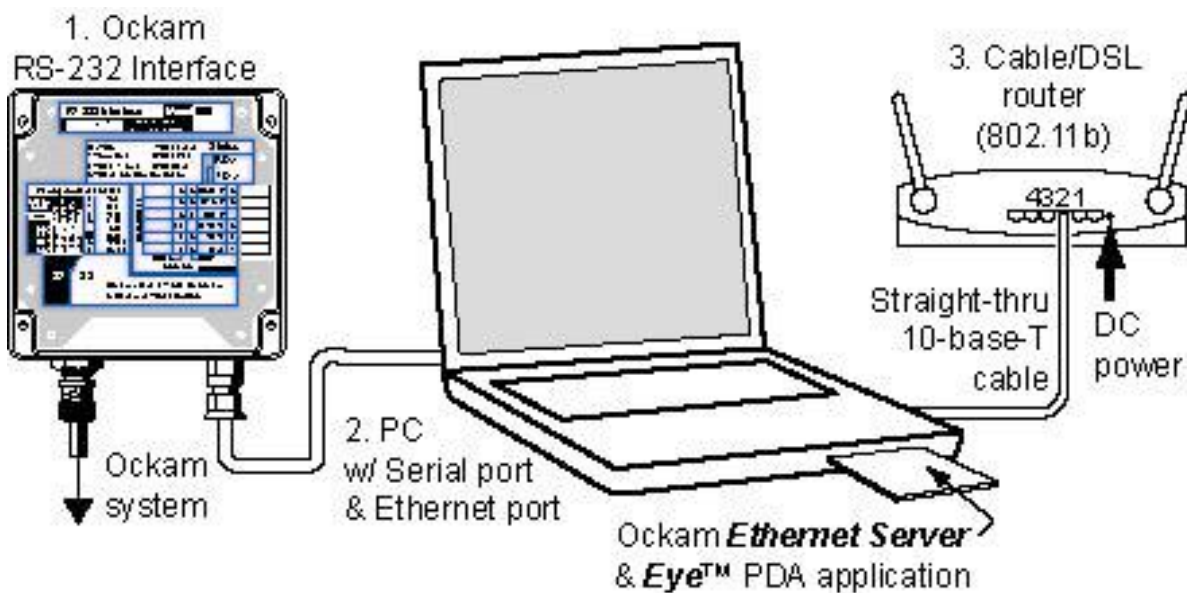
It's here – Ockam Eye software for Pocket PCs.



Setting Up Eye

The setup consists of 3 basic parts – an RS-232 capable Ockam instrument System (Tryad T1 is ready to go, while a Model 001 CPU requires an 050 interface), a PC with Wireless Access Point Router and the PDA. Ockam Eye software resides in 2 places: a program module loaded on the main PC, and another program installed on the Pocket PC. There are numerous brands and models of WAPs and PDA's available at prices that are very reasonable. If you're comfortable setting up a PC for "WiFi", a quick visit to any computer superstore or website will take care of the hardware.

Eye Software can be downloaded from the www.ockam.com website in "demo" format. After you've tried it and know it's the right upgrade for your system, press the help button in the program, click on "Register" and follow the instructions.

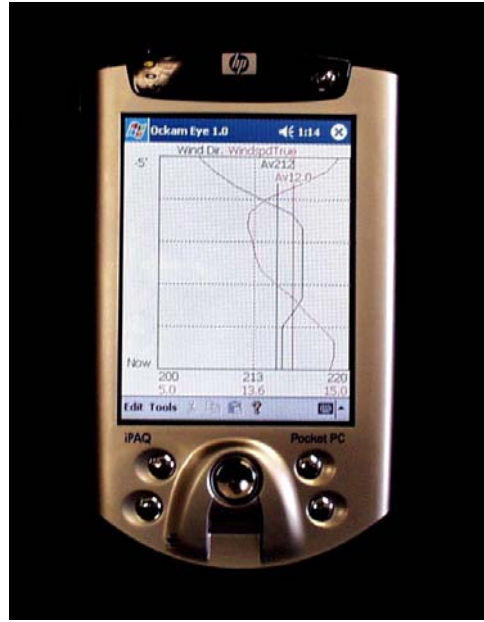


Eye See

Eye provides up to 20 user defined pages of instrument data, stripcharts and system control. For details about page creation, button, screen and stylus operation, and specific features/functions, download the Eye PDA System section of the Ockam System Manual at www.ockam.com.



Eye displaying data



Eye Stripcharts

Buy Eye

Downloading the demo and registering a full version as described above in "Setting Up Eye" is easy. If you are fairly experienced with computers and networking, getting everything running onboard shouldn't be overly difficult (the hardware suppliers offer varying levels of online and telephone support). If you'd like to have Ockam source or setup the system hardware for you, those services are available as well.

Ockam Eye Software (Ethernet Server on PC, Eye on PDA) \$250

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