

Participation Information and Consent Form

Title of Project: Usability Engineering Assessment 2024/5

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1. Invitation

We would like to invite you to take part in this research study. Participation is entirely voluntary, and before you decide, we would like you to understand why this research is being conducted and what it involves. As the researcher, I will provide you with this information sheet to help you decide whether or not you would like to take part. Please feel free to ask any questions or discuss this study with others if you wish. Do ask if anything is unclear.

This study is focused on designing a software solution to assist in organising and managing a backyard ultra marathon. The application will support race registration, checkpoint tracking, and real-time race management while ensuring accessibility and inclusivity for all participants, including those with disabilities. We are seeking input from runners, race organisers, and volunteers to understand key requirements and challenges. Participation in this research involves completing a short survey, which should take approximately 5 minutes of your time. Some participants may also be invited for follow-up discussions or interviews to provide further insights.

2. Data Collected

The only data we will be recording related to you as a participant is the age range you fall into and what accessibility needs you have (if any). You are welcome to decline to answer these questions.

All other data will be completely non-personal and will relate to your experience with ultra-running events.

3. Do I have to take part?

No, taking part in this research is entirely voluntary. You can withdraw any time during the study for any reason.

4. Expenses and Payments

There is no payment for taking part.

5. What if there is a problem?

If you have a query, concern or complaint about any aspect of this study, in the first instance you should contact the researcher(s) if appropriate. Please contact the supervisor listed if you have a complaint.

6. Consent Form

I confirm that I have read and understood the information for the above study. I have had the opportunity to consider the information, ask questions and have had these answered satisfactorily. ☐

I understand that my participation is voluntary and that I am free to withdraw at any time without giving any reason. ☐

I understand that data collected during this study will be processed in accordance with data protection law. ☐