

SOFTWARE

CATCH YOU

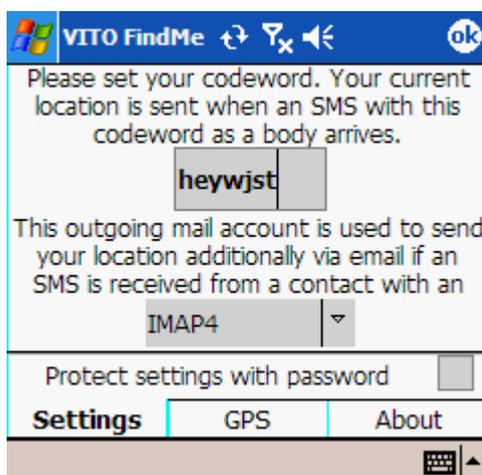
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Some of you may remember my recent post how [to secure your laptop](#). There is now also an excellent way to secure your car, boat, or whatever you like. You even don't need to be a gadget aficionado like me to be fascinated by new Windows Mobile software [Phone-tracker](#) that is able to send a SMS back with the current GPS positions. By receiving a SMS containing the *PHONETRACKER* request it will reply with

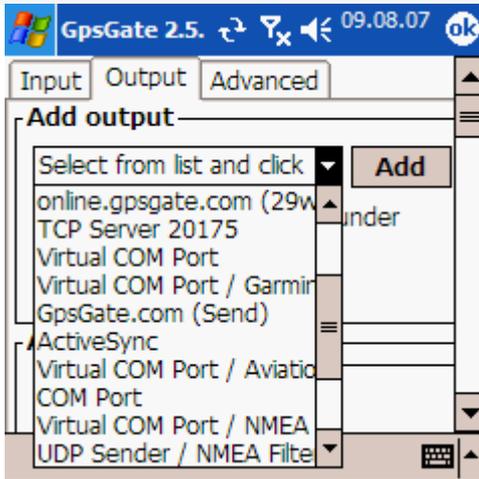
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#PHONETRACKER#  
PosMsg  
08.08.2007 18:12:23  
54.54321, 12.54321,100.00,180.00,05.00
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The last 3 figures are height above ground (meter), heading (degree) and speed (m/s). If the sending phone has installed Tom Tom software these coordinates are automatically inserted as new POI. Best of all and somewhere hidden on the [German of the website the free reply module](#). Nice tool and thanks to the author!

If you are not so lucky having WM5 there is another software you can try: [Vito Find Me](#)



Finally as I now have now GPRS/UMTS access here I could also look at [GPSGate](#). Initially developed as a GPS port sharing tool, it has nice features hidden at Settings->Output->Add Output



allowing a permanent update of your position at Google Earth. Although I cant see see any private situations where this might be useful – it is certainly an excellent tool for research on traffic flow as I did a decade ago, yea, yea.

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