

.NET MAUI - reporting events to the GUI

In this page, we will send a notification of an event back to the .NET GUI.

The resulting project is as follows: [ExcerciseTapCallback.zip](#)

This way, we're completely disconnected with the Android stack and can focus on development in MAUI or .NET and only consider a few functions to interact with the glasses.

Note on code design: in a real world application, you would register a handler in a service in .NET - as their "Dependency Injection" is very good. But this code will be sufficient to demonstrate the interface with the glasses.

So let's go!

Well start off again with the last project [.NET MAUI - Handling taps](#)

1. Update the Nuget package, we require at least **VuzixSDK 1.0.1**
2. Change the event functions in the **MainActivity** to send the events via the **WeakReferenceMessenger**

The screenshot shows the Visual Studio IDE. On the left is the code editor with the file `MainActivity.cs` open. The code contains several methods for handling touch events and sending messages through the `WeakReferenceMessenger`. On the right is the Solution Explorer, which shows the project structure for `MauiApp1`. The `Android` folder is expanded, and the `MainActivity.cs` file is highlighted with a red rectangle.

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public void OnTap(int tapCount)
{
    WeakReferenceMessenger.Default.Send<VuzixSDK.Class.Event.UltraLiteOnTap>(new VuzixSDK.Class.Event.UltraLiteOnTap()
    {
        tapCount = tapCount
    });
}

private void onDisplayOff()
{
    WeakReferenceMessenger.Default.Send<VuzixSDK.Class.Event.UltraLiteOnDisplayOff>(new VuzixSDK.Class.Event.UltraLiteOnDisplayOff());
}
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private void onDisplayOn()
{
    WeakReferenceMessenger.Default.Send<VuzixSDK.Class.Event.UltraLiteOnDisplayOn>(new
VuzixSDK.Class.Event.UltraLiteOnDisplayOn());
}

private void onDisplayTimeout()
{
    WeakReferenceMessenger.Default.Send<VuzixSDK.Class.Event.UltraLiteOnDisplayTimeout>(new
VuzixSDK.Class.Event.UltraLiteOnDisplayTimeout());
}

private void OnPowerButtonPress(bool turningOn)
{
    WeakReferenceMessenger.Default.Send<VuzixSDK.Class.Event.UltraLiteOnPowerButtonPress>(new
VuzixSDK.Class.Event.UltraLiteOnPowerButtonPress())
    {
        turningOn = turningOn
    });
}

private void OnScrolled(bool isScreenEmpty)
{
    WeakReferenceMessenger.Default.Send<VuzixSDK.Class.Event.UltraLiteOnScrolled>(new
VuzixSDK.Class.Event.UltraLiteOnScrolled())
    {
        isScreenEmpty = isScreenEmpty
    });
}

```

Your MainActivy.cs will look as follows:

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using Android.App;
using Android.Content.PM;

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using Android.OS;
using Android.Widget;
using CommunityToolkit.Mvvm.Messaging;
using VuzixSDK.Class;
using Com.Vuzix.Ultralite;
using Layout = Com.Vuzix.Ultralite.Layout;
using TextAlignement = Com.Vuzix.Ultralite.TextAlignement;
using VuzixSDK.Enum;
using Android.Graphics;
using System.Diagnostics.Tracing;
using static System.Net.Mime.MediaTypeNames;

namespace MauiApp1
{
    [Activity(Theme = "@style/Maui.SplashTheme", MainLauncher = true, ConfigurationChanges =
    ConfigChanges.ScreenSize | ConfigChanges.Orientation | ConfigChanges.UiMode | ConfigChanges.ScreenLayout |
    ConfigChanges.SmallestScreenSize | ConfigChanges.Density)]
    public class MainActivity : MauiAppCompatActivity, Com.Vuzix.Ultralite.IEventListener
    {
        IUltraLiteSDK _sdk;
        protected override void OnCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState)
        {
            base.OnCreate(savedInstanceState);
            try
            {
                WeakReferenceMessenger.Default.Register<UltraLiteError>(this, (sender, e) => {
                    processUltraLiteError(e); });
                WeakReferenceMessenger.Default.Register<UltraLiteMessage>(this, (sender, e) => {
                    processUltraLiteMessage(e.Data); });
                WeakReferenceMessenger.Default.Register<UltraLiteOperationRequest>(this, (sender, e) => {
                    processUltraLiteOperation(e); });

                _sdk = Com.Vuzix.Ultralite.IUltraLiteSDK.Get(this);
                _sdk.AddEventListener(this);
            }
            catch (System.Exception ex)
            {
                showMessage(ex.Message);
            }
        }
    }
}

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    }

    private void onDisplayOff()
    {
        WeakReferenceMessenger.Default.Send<VuzixSDK.Class.Event.UltraLiteOnDisplayOff>(new
        VuzixSDK.Class.Event.UltraLiteOnDisplayOff());
    }

    private void onDisplayOn()
    {
        WeakReferenceMessenger.Default.Send<VuzixSDK.Class.Event.UltraLiteOnDisplayOn>(new
        VuzixSDK.Class.Event.UltraLiteOnDisplayOn());
    }

    private void onDisplayTimeout()
    {
        WeakReferenceMessenger.Default.Send<VuzixSDK.Class.Event.UltraLiteOnDisplayTimeout>(new
        VuzixSDK.Class.Event.UltraLiteOnDisplayTimeout());
    }

    private void OnPowerButtonPress(bool turningOn)
    {
        WeakReferenceMessenger.Default.Send<VuzixSDK.Class.Event.UltraLiteOnPowerButtonPress>(new
        VuzixSDK.Class.Event.UltraLiteOnPowerButtonPress()
        {
            turningOn = turningOn
        });
    }

    private void OnScrolled(bool isEmpty)
    {
        WeakReferenceMessenger.Default.Send<VuzixSDK.Class.Event.UltraLiteOnScrolled>(new
        VuzixSDK.Class.Event.UltraLiteOnScrolled()
        {
            isEmpty = isEmpty
        });
    }
}
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    public void clearScreen()
    {
        _sdk.Canvas.RemoveText(_lastTextId);
        _sdk.Canvas.RemoveAnimation(_lastAnimationId);
        _sdk.Canvas.RemoveImage(_lastImageId);
    }

    public void showMessage(string message)
    {
        MainThread.BeginInvokeOnMainThread(() =>
        {
            var toast = Toast.MakeText(this, message, ToastLength.Short);
            toast.Show();
        });
    }

    protected void processUltraLiteError(UltraLiteError error)
    {
        if (_sdk.IsConnected)
        {
            if (!_sdk.IsControlledByMe)
            {
                _sdk.RequestControl();
            }
            if (_sdk.IsControlledByMe)
            {
                string _title = $"[Error]{{(error.Source != null ? " " + error.Source : "")}}";
                string _error = (error.Exception != null ? $"Exception : {error.Exception.Message}" : "Error
occured");
                _sdk.SendNotification(_title, _error);
            }
        }
        int _lastTextId = -1;
        int _lastImageId = -1;
        int _lastAnimationId = -1;

    protected void processUltraLiteMessage(String message)
    {
        if (_sdk.IsConnected)
        {
            if (!_sdk.IsControlledByMe)

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    {
        _sdk.RequestControl();
    }
    if (_sdk.IsControlledByMe)
    {
        _sdk.SetLayout(Layout.Canvas, 0, true);
        bool _messageSucceeded = false;
        if (_lastTextId >= 0)
        {
            _messageSucceeded = _sdk.Canvas.UpdateText(_lastTextId, message);
        }
        else
        {
            _lastTextId = _sdk.Canvas.CreateText(message, Anchor.Center);
            _messageSucceeded = (_lastTextId != -1);
        }
        if (!_messageSucceeded)
        {
            showMessage("Text failed");
        }
        _sdk.Canvas.Commit();
        SystemClock.Sleep(1000);
    }
}
protected void processUltraLiteOperation(UltraLiteOperationRequest Request)
{
    if (_sdk.IsConnected)
    {
        if (!_sdk.IsControlledByMe)
        {
            _sdk.RequestControl();
        }
        if (_sdk.IsControlledByMe)
        {
            _sdk.SetLayout(Layout.Canvas, 0, true);
            if (Request.Operation == eUltraLiteOperation.ShowImage && Request.ImageBitMap != null)
            {
                LVGLImage image = loadLVGLImage(Request.ImageBitMap);
                bool _imageSucceeded = false;
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        if (_lastImageId >= 0)
        {
            imageSucceeded = _sdk.Canvas.UpdateImage(_lastImageId, image);
        }
        else
        {
            _lastAnimationId = _sdk.Canvas.CreateImage(image, Anchor.Center);
            imageSucceeded = (_lastImageId != -1);
        }
    }

    if(!_imageSucceeded) showMessage("Image failed");
    _sdk.Canvas.Commit();
}

if (Request.Operation == eUltraLiteOperation.ShowAnimation && Request.AnimationBitMap != null)
{
    LVGLImage[] image = loadLVGLImage(Request.AnimationBitMap);
    int _animationDelay = 500;
    if(_lastAnimationId >= 0)
    {
        _sdk.Canvas.RemoveAnimation(_lastAnimationId);
    }
}

_lastAnimationId = _sdk.Canvas.CreateAnimation(image, Anchor.Center, _animationDelay);

if (_lastAnimationId == -1)
{
    showMessage("Animation failed");
}
_sdk.Canvas.Commit();
}

}

else
{
    showMessage("SDK is not connected");
}
}

private static Bitmap loadBitmap(byte[] bitmapbytes)
{
    BitmapFactory.Options options = new BitmapFactory.Options();

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// https://proandroiddev.com/image-decoding-bitmaps-android-c039790ee07e
options.InSampleSize = 2;

//options.InTargetDensity = 640 * 2;
//options.InTargetDensity = 480 * 8;
//options.InScaled = true;
options.InPreferredConfig = Bitmap.Config.Argb8888;
/* options.InMutable = true;

options.InSampleSize = 8;
options.OutWidth = 600;
options.OutHeight = 400;
options.InScaled = scaled;*/

Bitmap bmp = BitmapFactory.DecodeByteArray(bitmapbytes, 0, bitmapbytes.Length, options);

return bmp;// resize(bmp, 640, 480);
}

private static LVGLImage[] loadLVGLImage(List<byte[]> images)
{
    List<LVGLImage> _images = new List<LVGLImage>();
    foreach (var image in images)
    {
        _images.Add(LVGLImage.FromBitmap(loadBitmap(image), LVGLImage.CfIndexed1Bit));
    }
    return _images.ToArray();
}

private static LVGLImage loadLVGLImage(byte[] image)
{
    //ColorObject[] _colors = { LVGLImageIColorMapper.White, LVGLImageIColorMapper.Mid };
    //LVGLImage _img = new LVGLImage(LVGLImage.CfIndexed1Bit, 480, 640, _colors, image);
    LVGLImage _img2 = LVGLImage.FromBitmap(loadBitmap(image), LVGLImage.CfIndexed1Bit);
    return _img2;
}

}
```

3. Go back to the MAUI section, **Home.razor** and add the following code. The `OnInitialized()` will be called by the framework when the page is ready. Then, we register a listener to a message of type **UltraLiteOnTap** and write some text in a string to show we received it

```
string _eventText = "";  
protected override void OnInitialized()  
{  
    WeakReferenceMessenger.Default.Register<VuzixSDK.Class.Event.UltraLiteOnTap>(this, (sender, e) => {  
        _eventText = $"You have tapped {e.tapCount}.";  
        StateHasChanged();  
    });  
}
```

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<h1>Hello, world!</h1>  
 @_eventText  
 @if (MyMessage != null && MyMessage.Length>0 )  
{  
 <p>You wrote: @MyMessage</p>  
 }
```

We do the same for all the remaining events:

```
protected override void OnInitialized()  
{  
    WeakReferenceMessenger.Default.Register<VuzixSDK.Class.Event.UltraLiteOnTap>(this, (sender, e) =>  
    {  
        _eventText = $"You have tapped {e.tapCount}.";  
        StateHasChanged();  
    });  
  
    WeakReferenceMessenger.Default.Register<VuzixSDK.Class.Event.UltraLiteOnDisplayOff>(this, (sender, e)  
=>  
    {  
        _eventText = $"Display off event.";  
        StateHasChanged();  
    });  
    WeakReferenceMessenger.Default.Register<VuzixSDK.Class.Event.UltraLiteOnDisplayOn>(this, (sender, e)  
=>  
    {  
        _eventText = $"Display on event.";
```

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        StateHasChanged();
    });

    WeakReferenceMessenger.Default.Register<VuzixSDK.Class.Event.UltraLiteOnDisplayTimeout>(this,
(sender, e) =>
{
    _eventText = $"Display timeout event.";
    StateHasChanged();
});

    WeakReferenceMessenger.Default.Register<VuzixSDK.Class.Event.UltraLiteOnPowerButtonPress>(this,
(sender, e) =>
{
    _eventText = $"Power button press {(e.turningOn? "ON" : "OFF")}";
    StateHasChanged();
});

    WeakReferenceMessenger.Default.Register<VuzixSDK.Class.Event.UltraLiteOnScrolled>(this, (sender, e)
=>
{
    _eventText = $"Scrolled {(e.isEmpty?"Empty screen":"Non empty screen")}.";
    StateHasChanged();
});

}

```

At this point, you should be set to build your GUI as imagined. And display them on the glasses with ease.

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