

USS SCORPION SSN 589
Lost with All Hands May 1968



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REST IN PEACE OUR SUBMARINE BROTHERS



This was sent to me by a fellow submariner, author unknown.

This is a Submariner's Reality and Worse Fear

...they found the Indonesian submarine Nanggala in 2790 feet of water...her rated maximum depth was 820 feet...at THAT depth sea pressure is 364 pounds per square inch...at 2790 feet sea pressure is 1238 pounds per square INCH....

...for reference, here at sea level the ambient atmospheric pressure (air pressure) is 15 pounds per square inch (psi)...that means there is 15 pounds of air pressure pushing on each square inch of your body....

When a submarine collapses, it happens in



less than a second.

Every boat has a point on the hull where it will fail. When the pressure outside exceeds that limit, the hull or the frame will buckle and immediately the air bubble inside will be compressed. The compression will act like a diesel engine and the temperature and pressure will immediately exceed anything that anyone can survive. This flash is followed by a rapid expansion as those gasses ignite and blow the crumpled hull apart. At this point, no one has survived, the gas bubble and flotsam rises to the surface and the remains of the hull and the crew within descend to the bottom. All in under a second.

This is the death of a submarine, and what all submariners face every time we hear, or heard,

the diving alarm and until we are safely pier side.
 KRI NANGGALA 402... 53 shipmates... On
 Eternal Patrol.
 Rest In Peace....

Indonesia Finds Submarine, Declares the Crew Dead

53 were aboard the KRI Nanggala, which disappeared Wednesday
 By Bob_Cronin, Newser Staff
 Posted Apr 25, 2021 11:00 AM CDT
(NEWSER) – The wreckage of a missing Indonesian Navy submarine with 53 crew members has been located, the military said Sunday. Searchers found items and parts from the submarine, including the anchor and safety suits for crew members, [CNN](#) reports. "Based on that authentic proof, I declare here that the Nanggala submarine sank and all of the crew died," Air Chief Marshal Hadi Tjahjanto said at a news conference Sunday. The wreckage was found on the sea floor, 2,800 feet down in the Bali Sea, per [NBC](#). The sub's collapse depth, below which the hull could not handle the water pressure, was 655 feet. No cause was given, though Adm. Yudo Margono said, "This is not a human error, but a natural/environment factor." On Saturday, he said it appeared that heavy pressure on the submarine likely caused it to crack, while discounting the possibility of an explosion. The KRI Nanggala broke into three pieces.

Among the items displayed Sunday was an escape suit. "Normally it is stored inside the box, but since we found it outside we believe that the crew were going to wear it but they had no chance," Margono said. Tjahjanto said the crew members will be honored, and he offered his condolences to their families, per the *Washington*

Post. He said recovering the German-made submarine will require international help. Contact was lost when the sub was conducting an exercise Wednesday off Bali. The loss has prompted calls to modernize Indonesia's military. "This can be a learning point for the government to advance its military technology and be careful in how it uses its (existing) technology," said a resident of the town that's the base for the search effort, "because its people's lives are at stake."



Indonesian Navy Chief Yudo Margono, front left; Indonesian Military chief Hadi Tjahjanto, center, and Indonesia police chief Listyo Sigit Prabowo, right, talk to media as they display debris found in the waters during a search for a Navy submarine. (AP Photo/Firdia Lisnawati)



The Indonesian Navy made this image of the submarine wreckage. (Indonesian Navy via AP)

Submarines Lost During the Month of May

USS LAGARTO (SS-371)	May 3, 1945 – 2nd War patrol	Lost with All Hands – 86 Souls
USS SCORPION (SSN-589)	May 22, 1968 – returning from deployment	Lost with All Hands – 99 Souls
USS SQUALUS (SS-192)	May 23, 1939 – during test dive	33 survivors – 26 Souls Lost
USS STICKLEBACK (SS-415)	May 30, 1958 – under tow	NO LOSS OF LIFE

FOUR Boats and 211 Men Lost



Wreckage of the KRI Nanggala is visible on the sea floor near Bali. (Indonesian Navy via AP)

**REUNION CONTROL CENTER
2021 Stimson Reunion
October 13-17, 2021
Hotel: Holiday Inn
1717 Airport Exchange Blvd.
Erlanger, KY 41018**

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**From the Reunion Chairman - Dick Young, SN
(SS) G 70-71, USSVI Cincinnati Base, Assoc.
Life Member:**



Shipmates,
As summer nears we are filling in the reunion registrations. As of April 21 we have 60 attendees. I feel we are on track for a great get together. We have added rooms to our block at the

hotel which is really encouraging. I would like to ask a favor of my shipmates: If you have any pictures taken while on board the ship can you please send them to me at the reunion website. I plan on having a projector that will be showing them at various times. Even if you do not plan on attending the reunion please send them to me, I know we have done this in the past and its always a lot of fun. Please make your plans early if attending it helps so much dealing with the logistics of a large crowd, especially making sure we have adequate buses for the tours. Don't forget there is a free shuttle from the airport which is less than a mile from the hotel and free parking, including RV's in the parking lot; unfortunately there are no hook ups.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any

questions using my Reunion email address. //
Regards, Dick
stimson655reunion2020@aol.com

**From the Association President -
Tom Krauser, MM1(SS) B 72-74:**



Marie and I are hopefully fully vaccinated now and we should be protected and able to freely go to the reunion in October. I notice that my NYS vaccine "passport" expires September 11 so not sure how that will be handled. I assume as they find

the protection lasts more than 6 months they will extend that date. I have heard nothing about booster shots yet.

Hopefully everyone will get a vaccine when eligible and by summer things may start getting to be more normal and by October we should be able to safely have our reunion.

Warmer weather is here and Marie is thinking about getting the garden in and planting flowers.

Several of us got a scam letter that was supposedly from one of our shipmates. The first part of my email had his name but the email server was different. It was a simple request "Hope all is well? Can I ask you for a favor? And had his name signed."

I assumed he had a computer issue he needed help with so responded back to see what he needed. (They had a live one !!).

The response back was "Good to hear from you. I need to get Google play gift card for my niece, it's her birthday but I can't do this now because I'm currently out of town with no means of getting this done. Can you get the gift cards for me? I'll pay you as soon as I get back."

Knowing that this shipmate would not be asking me for this, I contacted Nick who had gotten the same email. So just be wary of this kind of email or phone call. Nick notified him and told him he should change his password.

The reunion is scheduled for October 13-17 of 2021 so hoping that the situation by then will have improved to make the reunion safe and enjoyable for everyone.

Look for Dick's discussion about the 2021 reunion in the newsletter.

personally since it was the month that my most memorable submarine experience celebrates an anniversary. The USS San Francisco SSN 711 was commissioned in April 1981 which was forty years ago. She has now been reborn [...] [Read more of this post](#)

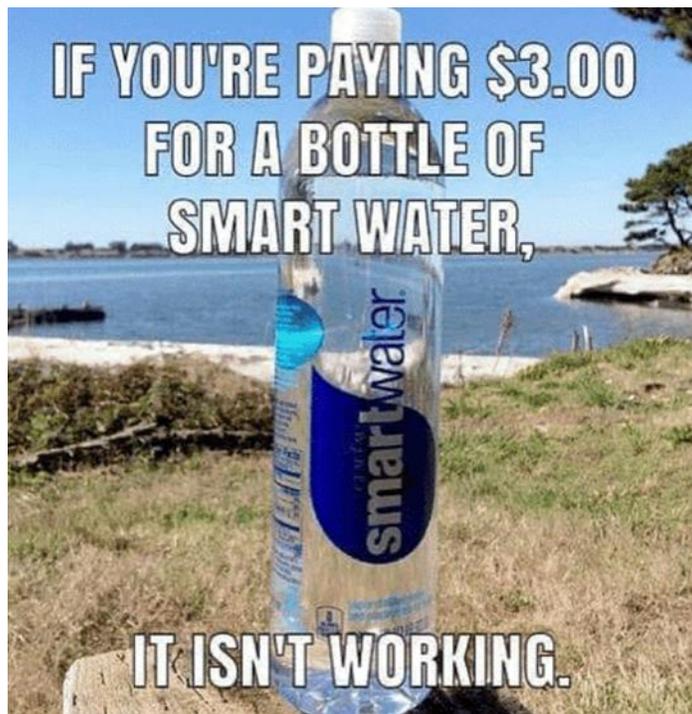
How could you be so mean? I mean, that person is a veteran! by Mister Mac –

How could you be so mean? I mean, that person is a veteran! A veteran is someone who once raised their right hand and promised to do whatever was required to defend the nation. Veterans on the whole are honorable people who deserve the thanks of the nation. Since retiring in 1994, I have been [...] [Read more of this post](#)

Two Fine Men by Mister Mac –

John MacPherson and John Dixon were proud veterans that served their community side by side for years. They lived in a time where segregation had been a part of their world growing up and they could have used that as a reason to never work together. But these two fine men set [...]

[Read more of this post](#)



The following Stimson Shipmates have departed on Eternal Patrol.

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MTC(SS) Ronald H. Young G 68-72

MTCM(SS) Retired

Departed on Eternal Patrol - 5 April 2021

(verified by brother Dick Young, SN(SS) G 70-71, USSVI Cincinnati Base, 655 Assoc. Life Member)

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The direct link to the Association Eternal Patrol page is: <http://ssbn655.org/eternal-patrol/eternal-patrol.html>



WELCOME ABOARD: Found & Updated Shipmates

(Shipmate has contacted us to be added or have info updated on our Sailing List. Please check the online Sailing List for shipmates contact info.)

MM2/MM1(SS) James 'Jim' MacDonald

G/G 74-76; 77-79

(info updated per shipmate request)

IC2(SS) James 'Pat' Cota G 66-68 Plank Owner

(info updated per shipmate request)

ICC(SS) Richard 'Rick' Burris B 78-80

E-Div LPO while onboard

(info updated per shipmate request)

BINNACLE LIST UPDATES: So that I don't continue printing the same information in the binnacle list, beginning this edition if I have not received an update on a shipmate, I will only note that fact. If you see that note please refer to a prior newsletter to see what the health issue is.

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James 'Jim' McDonald, MM2/MM1(SS) G/G 74-76; 77-79

Cards to: 2721 Early St., Norfolk VA 23513-3915

4.1.2021: Email from Jim: I ask an interest in your prayers as I rehab from a stroke I suffered a month ago. Rehab is going good. I should be released on the 9th to go home and from there do out patient rehab.

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Andrew 'Andy' Mckay, TMC G 85-88

Cards to: 2207 FM 1729, Lubbock TX 79403

4.1.2021: Email from Andy: I was found to have lung cancer in 2007. I had surgery to remove half of my right lung. I did 4 months of chemo. I now have final stage COPD. I am on full time supplemental oxygen

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William 'Sandy' Hastie, CAPT B CO 80 (Oct-Dec)

Cards to: 75 Lambeth Drive, Asheville, NC 28803

4.19.2021: Email from Sandy: I am doing well. The every six week immunotherapy continues to work as documented by a PET/CT every three months. God is good!

*12.20.2020: I continue to receive my Keytruda infusions and they continue to control my cancer. My oncologist suggested changing the 3-week infusion schedule to every six weeks. This is a new method and it has worked for me as it better protects the integrity of my veins with fewer needle sticks. Also, it provides a better ability to schedule some family visits (when this again becomes possible). I still get a PET and CT scan every three months. As long as the Keytruda continues to control the cancer, I will be in good shape so thank the Lord it has been working!
Sandy*

**GREAT LINKS TO SPEND TIME WITH
(all links from "The Draft" will be on the website)**

**655 Association Website
www.ssbn655.org**

The KRI Nanggala 402 Tragedy

The tragic tale of the Indonesian submarine KRI Nanggala 402. Lost on April 21, 2021, during a torpedo exercise in the Bali Sea. How human error and mechanical failure lead to the loss of 53 souls.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vujid4b60eXA>



Submarine Industrial Base Under Strain as Virginia-Class Parts Wearing Out Early; Implications For Columbia-Class

By: Megan Eckstein

April 20, 2021 2:24 PM

Some parts on Virginia-class attack boats are wearing out faster than the Navy anticipated 20 years ago, and buying replacement parts is further straining a nuclear submarine industrial base that's already juggling an expansion of construction of new hulls and maintaining the current fleet.

The Navy has found that engineering analysis from 20 years ago isn't holding up compared to actual attack boat performance in the fleet. During the Virginia-class attack sub (SSN-774) design phase, the Navy had expected "that parts were going to be on the ship and fully functional for longer than it's turned out to be," Rear Adm. Ed Anderson, who commands the undersea warfare directorate at Naval Sea Systems Command (NAVSEA 07), said last fall at the annual Naval Submarine League conference. As a result, the Navy is writing contracts "for parts that we never thought we were going to replace on the ships

that we're replacing early" – which has implications for the already strained industrial base.

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Think you know who's watching your social media posts? Take a look at this one:

The Postal Service is running a 'covert operations program' that monitors Americans' social media posts

Jana Winter · Contributor

Wed, April 21, 2021, 12:00 PM

The law enforcement arm of the U.S. Postal Service has been quietly running a program that tracks and collects Americans' social media posts, including those about planned protests, according to a document obtained by Yahoo News.

The details of the surveillance effort, known as iCOP, or Internet Covert Operations Program, have not previously been made public. The work involves having analysts trawl through social media sites to look for what the document describes as "inflammatory" postings and then sharing that information across government agencies.

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Submitted by George Birmingham, ET1(SS) G 69-74, Assoc. LM, USSVI Holland Club / Carolina Piedmont Base

Everyone should know this international hand signal for 'Help Me'

Annie Reneau 03.12.21

@TrinityResists/Twitter, @forsure7/TikTok

One of the scariest things about being trapped in a situation with a dangerous person is how many people don't notice. Abusers, kidnappers, traffickers, and the like often monitor and control a person so tightly that asking for help seems impossible.

There are countless stories of people managing to slip someone a note saying they need help or signaling in some other way that they're in an unsafe situation. Wouldn't it be great if there was a way that they could quickly, yet discreetly, alert people that they were in trouble without flagging the person putting them in danger?

There is. It's the international signal for help, and it's going viral for all the right reasons.

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How to Use Your Smartphone as a Wi-Fi Hot Spot



leans over and whispers, "You see that woman over there with her hand on the Bible, becoming President of the United States."

The Senator whispers back, "You bet I do."

Dad says proudly, "Her brother is a Submarine Sailor!"

The Computer Corner

By: George Birmingham, ET1(SS), Gold 69-74, USSVI Carolina Piedmont Base, Holland Club, Association Life Member

Print to PDF from Windows 10 and adding Security Settings



We often want to share information we have created with others. In the past the first problem we had to solve was what document format our intended recipient could accept. Often we needed to transfer graphics and

pictures, which just didn't work right in text-only files. MS-Word documents often depended on the receiver having MS-Word installed and a compatible version at that. Then the Portable Document Format was invented.

You can read the history of PDF here:

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/History_of_the_Portable_Document_Format_(PDF))

[History of the Portable Document Format \(PDF\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/History_of_the_Portable_Document_Format_(PDF))

Well, that solved part of the problem, if you had the right software installed on your computer. Adobe Acrobat was probably the most well-known software, but again it was a product you had to purchase and install just to print a PDF document. Various companies created PDF printing software so you had a lot to choose from, and you had to get the version that worked with the version of Windows you were running.

All of which had a purchase cost to consider

Then along comes Windows 10 and the problem was finally solved without additional software.

<https://www.cnet.com/how-to/print-to-pdf-in-windows-10/>

Now, many of the document preparation

software products that we use also have embraced saving our creations in PDF format as well. However there is one small detail you need to be aware of when you choose your PDF creation method.

If you use a "**Save as PDF**" function to create the PDF, then any HTML links you may have included in your creation will be able to be launched directly from the document by the recipient.

If you use the "**Print to PDF**" function to create the PDF, then any HTML links you may have included in your creation will NOT be able to be launched directly from the document by the recipient.

The use of the PDF format greatly expands the format and types of information you can share with others, like HTML links, pictures, graphs, etc., and now we don't have to buy more software to do so. Be sure to look for the "Microsoft print to PDF" printer in the list of available printers and you are all set.

Now, if you want to protect the content of this new PDF document you have just created, adding things like a password to open or do document content encryption, then you will need an app from the Microsoft Store to do that. It's called **SecurePDF**, and costs about \$1.99, though it does have a free trial available.

<https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/p/securepdf-add-remove-modify-pdf-password-security/9nblqgh528lz?activetab=pivot%3Aregionofsystemrequirementstab>

I hope you find this information helpful and it makes your information sharing a more pleasant process.

As always, shipmates, comments and suggestions for future topics are welcomed. I am in need of topics for future articles, so please send your ideas along to me. Contact me at subvet_ssbnet@bellsouth.net.

And if you have a difficult computer or network problem you need help with, contact me. I'm always glad to help out if I can.

//George

Quick tip of the day

Not much compares to the frustration that comes with slow internet. While you might want to

rip the cords out of the back of your router and hope for the best, **don't**.

I'm going to let you in on a little secret the pros use to get their networks back up and running the right way. It's all about patience.

- Unplug your modem and router and wait about 30 seconds. Then, plug your modem back in **first** and wait for it to boot up and connect to your ISP. It can take a minute or two.
- Once that connection is re-established, plug your router back in and wait at least two minutes before testing everything.

Now it's time to make sure your router is secure. **Here are five steps you can take.**

Quick tip of the day

You step away from your computer for just a minute, and — ugh — your screen is locked. Now, we don't suggest disabling this altogether. That lock screen is important for keeping your computer secure. But you can adjust it a bit.

- Head to the **Start menu** and click **Settings**.
- Select **System** from the Settings menu.
- Click **Power & Sleep**.
- Under **Sleep**, select your preferred time from the dropdown menu. Choose from 1 minute all the way up to 5 hours.

Quick tip of the day

Do you remember the last time you set foot in a bank? I can't remember, either. Handling our money matters online is so convenient, but you still have to watch out for a huge mistake when depositing checks from your smartphone.

Sure, it's easy to take the photos and wait for the "processing" message, and then you're good to go, right? Don't write it off just yet.

- **Don't get rid of that paper check immediately.** The time it takes for a deposit to clear can vary based on factors like the amount, how long you've been with the bank and the status of the payer's account.
- **Set a reminder for 14 days after the deposit.** Just use your favorite reminder app to set it up, then put that paper check in a safe place while you wait.

Once it clears, don't just throw it away. Shred it so sensitive account details aren't at risk of falling into the wrong hands.

Quick tip of the day

If you need to hang a picture, you don't need to grab a level — your phone can do it for you.

On an iPhone:

- Open the **Measure app**, then tap **Level** on the bottom right.
- The level will appear on the screen and is ready to use. That's it!

On an Android:

- Open the **Google app or your browser** and search for "bubble level."
- Use it just like you would a normal level, placing it on a surface.

Quick tip of the day

Google Maps uses the GPS location on your phone to determine where in the world you are. That's obvious. But did you know every time you search for something, look up an address or find directions, it stores your current location to your profile?

That might not seem so bad — but **that stored location data is almost never deleted** from your account. Don't worry, though. Your full location history can be found in the Activity Controls section of your Google account, and I'll walk you through how to turn it off.

- Open the **Google Maps app**, then click on your **profile picture** to open your Google account.
- Click on **Manage your account**.
- On the left, click on **Data & Personalization**.
- Under **Activity Controls**, click on **Location History**.
- Toggle the blue switch to turn it **off**.

Tech how-to: Quick trick to get more storage space on any device

BY CHRISTA GERAGHTY, KOMANDO.COM
NOVEMBER 21, 2019

Your hard drive is like your dream walk-in closet or three-car garage. You initially store only a few items, but before you know it, that space you once thought was more than enough is now

packed full to the brim.

Every time you download an app, visit a website, extract files from a zipped folder or download images, your hard drive stores files. Eventually, you won't have enough disk space or storage to perform simple tasks like copy and pasting information or saving extra data

Don't panic just yet, because this quick trick to delete downloads can help you reclaim storage space on any device.

How to clean up downloads in Windows 10

If there's too much clutter on your hard drive, you may notice your system is sluggish or unable to complete tasks. Once you remove extraneous files, you should see a difference in performance.

To delete unnecessary download files in Windows 10, open **File Explorer** and select the **Downloads** folder, either under **Quick Access** or **This PC**. Select any number of files you wish to remove and hit the **Delete** key on your keyboard, or **right-click** the files, scroll down the pop-up menu and click **Delete**.

Want to select several consecutive files for deletion? Hold down the **Shift** key and click on the first filename and the last consecutive filename you want. Release the **Shift** button, and all the files in between should be highlighted blue. Delete with your keyboard or the right-click methods.

Here is an alternative method. Open **File Explorer** and click on **Windows C:** and open the **Users** folder.

Select your **username** folder and open the **Downloads** folder. **Choose the files** you want to discard, **right-click** and **delete** when prompted, or hit the **Delete** key on your keyboard.

Time to do away with downloads in macOS

Recouping storage on your Mac is simple. One method for removing downloads in macOS is to click the **Downloads** folder in the dock, select the files you want to delete and manually drag them to the trash can in the lower right corner of the dock.

Another method is to launch the **Finder** app (square smiley face icon) in the dock and tap on **Downloads** under **Favorites** in the left pane. Select the files you wish to delete and drag them to the trash can, or right-click and choose **Move**

to Trash. You can also use shortcut keys **Command + Delete** to send your files to the trash.

Regardless of OS, when you delete a file, it is sent to your computer's trash or recycle bin and will continue to take up space on your hard drive. To remove these files for good in macOS, open your trash and click **Empty** or **Empty Trash**.

Windows 10 users will need to open the **Recycle Bin** and click on **Recycle Bin Tools** in the main menu and select **Empty Recycle Bin**. For both operating systems, you will receive a pop-up that asks if you want to delete items permanently. Click **Yes** or **Empty Trash** (depending on OS).

Warning: Files cannot be restored once they are deleted from the Trash or Recycle Bin.

How to remove downloads in Android

Cluttered storage can also cause issues with your mobile devices. If your smartphone is low on space, the device will alert you with a pop-up stating you must remove some files. You can delete downloads directly from the Chrome browser.

Open your Chrome browser and click on the **three-dot menu** in the upper right corner, tap on **Downloads**. Click on the **three-dot menu** next to the file you want to remove and tap **Delete**. Repeat the process for additional files you need to discard.

Dump downloads in iOS and save space

Deleting downloads in iOS is not as simple as it is with the other operating systems because downloaded files are located in separate folders depending on the file type. The following techniques will require you to open different apps.

How to delete Photos and Videos

It doesn't take many photos or videos to suck up a large amount of storage; however, you can regain space with a few steps. Open the **Photos** app and tap **Select** in the upper right corner. Tap on each photo you need to delete. Once selected, tap on the trash can icon at the bottom of your screen and click **Delete** when prompted.

You can remove videos from the Photos app,

as well. The only difference is you need to choose **Videos** from **Media Types** within the **Albums** option.

Cast off unwanted Music/Audio files

Music and audio files are also storage hogs. To remove them, open the **Apple Music** app and click the **Library** icon in the bottom left corner. Locate the file you want to delete from the relevant category: **Playlists, Artists, Albums or Songs**. Tap and press down on the file. When the pop-up menu appears, click **Delete from Library**.

Do away with assorted files in your Files app

You may find miscellaneous data buried in the Files app that can take up space on your iOS device. To delete them, launch the **Files** application and click **Browse** in the lower right corner. Open the folder with the files you want to remove, tap **Select** and click each file you want to delete, then tap the **trash can icon**.

Don't forget other files!

Downloads aren't the only files that can consume storage. Temporary files like cookies, which are remnants from visiting websites, and cache files, that are delivered to your system via programs, accumulate behind the scenes and will continue to grow in number until you clear them out.

Both the Windows and Mac operating systems have built-in disk cleanup utilities that can help you do away with various files, including temporary ones. For detailed instructions on Windows 10 Disk Cleanup, visit [Windows support](#).

If you are working on a Mac you have a [storage optimization tool](#) as well, often referred to as the "Storage tool."

Like your closet or garage, all you need to do to maintain space is a little cleaning every now and then. Easy, right?

One ring and then they hung up? It's a sneaky scam that could cost you

BY KOMANDO STAFF, KOMANDO.COM
APRIL 7, 2021

An old phone scam is making a serious comeback. It happens in the middle of the night and your smartphone rings just once. You wake

up and your heart is pounding because calls in the dead of night usually mean bad news. You grab your phone and see a number from the African nation of Mauritania. Or you just see a number you can't recognize.

Many of us are savvy enough to know the call came from a scammer, but there are still people out there who will call back out of curiosity or concern. If you're one of these people, here's some simple advice: don't call back.

If you call the unknown number back, you could end up with a bunch of charges on your phone bill that can really add up. Keep reading to find out how this scam works and ways to avoid excessive charges.

Here's the backstory

With this scam, your phone will only ring once. If you call back, you will incur an international call charge from your carrier for every minute you stay on the line. And the scammers know how to keep you on the line. When you call, you're transferred to an expensive toll number where costs mount by the minute.

When this scam originally hit the scene a couple of years ago it was mainly hitting consumers on the East Coast. But there have been reports of more scam calls throughout the U.S. recently.

Bottom of Form

The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) has dealt with so many of these cases that it's dubbed them "One Ring." But as the FCC points out, most "One Ring" scams originate in the Caribbean, where the international code is a three-digit number followed by the usual seven numbers. That's enough to convince consumers the calls are coming from the U.S.

"One-ring calls may appear to be from phone numbers somewhere in the U.S., including three initial digits that resemble U.S. area codes," according to the FCC's website. "But savvy scammers often use international numbers from regions that also begin with three-digit codes — for example, **649** goes to the Turks and Caicos and **809** goes to the Dominican Republic."

What makes this recent "One Ring" scam so different is that it originates from Mauritania in northwest Africa. There is no attempt to make the

phone numbers seem like they are from the U.S.

How to avoid 'One Ring' scams

The FCC offers this advice to avoid scammers:

- **Know who's calling** – Don't answer or return any calls from numbers you don't recognize.
- **Check the area code** – Before calling unfamiliar numbers, check to see if the area code is international.
- **Block international calls** – If you do not make international calls, ask your phone company to block outgoing international calls on your line.
- **Watch for spoofed numbers** – Always be cautious, even if a number appears authentic.



If you are billed for a call you made due to this scam, the FCC advises you to try to work with your mobile phone carrier first.

AT&T and T-Mobile said people caught in this scam should call their consumer helplines to try to solve the matter. If you cannot resolve the matter with your mobile phone provider, you can file a complaint with the FCC at no cost.

You also can file a complaint with the Federal Trade Commission if you feel that you are a victim of an international phone scam.

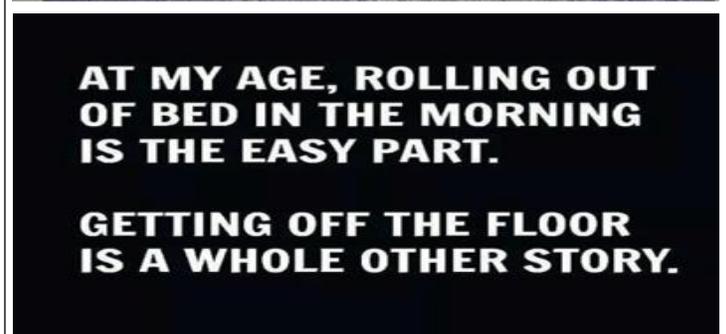
Google Maps' new feature takes navigation to the next level (literally)

By Melissa Hadam, Komando.com

When the first GPS came out, it was life-changing. Gone were the days of using paper maps to navigate around unknown territories. Before programs like Google Maps, you were reliant on ridiculous directions from friends that included things like taking a left at the red barn with a black door and going left at the fourth stoplight from the intersection.

Your GPS is like its own person, navigating in real-time and automatically correcting you if you take a wrong turn. It is so accurate, it is almost impossible to get lost. Well, Google Maps' new feature has taken navigation to the next level, and your life will never be the same.

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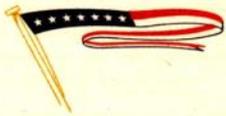
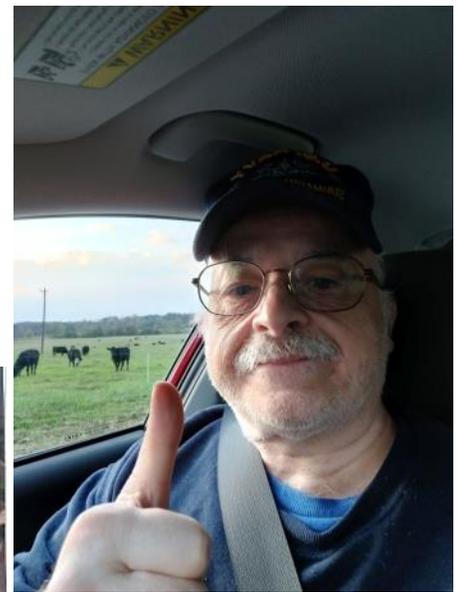


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 - TM1 WILSON
 - MT1 ST. CHARLES
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 - MT 2 JOHNSON
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 - MT 3 FARWELL
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 - TM 3 MCCrackan
 - TM 3N PIERRE



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ET2(SS) G 79-81**



**COMMANDING OFFICER
USS GEORGE BANCROFT (SSBN 643)**

7 August 1978

Mrs. Suzanne M. Mason
2143 "C"
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29405

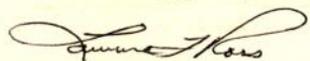
Dear Mrs. Mason,

It gives me pleasure to inform you that your husband John, has earned the designation "Qualified in Submarines" and is authorized to wear the submariner's coveted silver dolphins. This achievement represents many hours of study, hard work and self-sacrifice and attests to his high degree of competence and special knowledge.

I am proud to be shipmates with such a dedicated and conscientious individual. The hard work and sacrifices that he makes as a member of the Fleet Ballistic Missile Submarine Force is one of the greatest contributions to the service of our country that an individual can make. The creditability of this highly important strategic deterrent force depends upon the men who operate and maintain it.

As you could not be here to witness John's pinning on of his dolphins I wish to extend to you my personal congratulations and thank you for your continuing support and interest.

Sincerely yours,


Lawrence T. Ross
Commander, U. S. Navy
Commanding Officer



EX-SSBN-635

The MTS635 (Formerly USS Sam Rayburn SSBN-635) being towed from the Nuclear Training Facility in Charleston for final disposal. USS Sam Rayburn (SSBN-635) from 1964-1989, Moored Training Ship 635 from 1989-2021. Your reactor plant served your country well.





**USSVI CHARLESTON BASE
HOLLAND CLUB INDUCTION**

April 8, 2021

Five Stimson Shipmates were inducted into the Holland Club. The Holland Club recognizes those Submarines who have been qualified for 50 years or longer.

Presentations made by Tom Lawson, FTCS(SS) G COB 80-81, Vice Commander Charleston Base [Retired as FTCS(SS)]

Ken Farrell, MMCM(SS) G COB 89-91 [Retired as MMCM(SS)]

Don Heinle, FTCS(SS) G 79-81 [Retired as FTCS(SS)]

J.E. 'Nick' Nichols, TM1 G/SY1/B 70-75;

FTCS(SS) B COB 85- 89 [Retired as MTCM(SS)]

Jim McDonald, MM2(SS) G 74-76 & MM1(SS) 77-79 [Retired as MMCS(SS)]

Don Ort, MM1(SS) G/SY1 69-74 [Retired as CWO4]

Ken Farrell



Ken Farrell

Don Ort

Jim McDonald



Nick Nichols



Print a copy, complete and mail with your check to the address below:

Event Registration 655 Reunion #11

13-17 October 2021
Holiday Inn Cincinnati Airport
1717 Airport Exchange Blvd.
Erlanger, KY 41018
888.294.5067



www.holidayinn.com/cvg-airport
Call the hotel number above or reserve on their website.

Reserve Group Rates using either:
Henry L. Stimson 655 Reunion OR Block Code USS
Hotel Reservation Deadline SEPT 8, 2021
Hotel Reservation is the responsibility of the individual.
Reunion Registration Deadline SEPT 8, 2021
http://ssbn655.org/reunions/2020_Reunion11

Please complete (print legibly), print the form and return along with a check payable to: **Henry L. Stimson Reunion**
Mail to: Dick Young, 7209 Austin Woods Ln., Cincinnati OH 45247 **Email:** stimson655reunion2020@aol.com

Shipmate Name: _____ Guest Name: _____
Relationship: ___ Spouse ___ Significant Other ___ Family ___ Friend
Street Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Phone: Home: _____ Cell: _____ Work: _____
E-mail: Home: _____ Work: _____
Number who will be attending this event in your group: _____
Patrols on STIMSON: _____ Total # Patrols on all boats: _____
Dates Onboard Rate Crew Dates Onboard Rate Crew

Special Needs: _____

(Event attendance will be through advance payment only.)

I am registering for the following per person (Association Member and all guests):

Registration Fee: (required for all)	\$45.00 ea	Number: _____ = _____
Saturday Banquet: (if attending)	\$35.00 ea	Number: _____ = _____
Wright Patterson AFB Tour (if attending)	\$30.00 ea	Number: _____ = _____
Ohio River Cruise/M meal (if attending)	\$75.00 ea	Number: _____ = _____
		Total Enclosed _____

REUNION USE ONLY
Check # _____
Date Rcvd _____
Registration # _____
Hotel Resv: _____

Two are two scheduled events. Please indicate your interest. **Include fees with your check for the reunion.**

- Thursday:** Wright Patterson AFB Museum Tour in Dayton OH. This is a 70 mile trip (just over an hour) and we will go by coach bus/s. Cost for the tour/transportation is \$30.00 per person.
(Include the fee in your check for registration.)
- Friday:** Ohio River Cruise and Meal. The cruise departure is less than a 30 minutes from the hotel and we will go by coach bus/s. Cost for the Cruise/M meal and transportation is \$75.00 per person.
(Include the fee in your check for registration.)

The Association has established a refund policy for reunion registrations and it is located within our Bylaws in Article V.g. You can view this policy at:

<http://ssbn655.org/association/bylaws/1610%20655BylawRev.pdf> or on the back of this form.

g. Cancellation of reunion registration and the refund of monies paid will be based on the timing of the cancellation. Registration cancelled prior to the reunion registration cutoff date will result in refund of monies paid minus the registration/office fee. For cancellation after the registration cutoff date, there will be no refund of monies paid.

Cincinnati is located in Southwest Ohio and just across the Ohio River is Northern Kentucky where the reunion will be held. It's only 10 miles from Indiana. There are 3 Interstates that lead to Cincinnati: I-74, I-75 and I-71. We are located a day's drive (8-10 hours) from most of the East Coast. There will be plenty of **free parking at the hotel for cars and RV's**.

If you are flying there are 7 major airlines that service Cincinnati (CVG) and several are discount airlines. They include Air Canada, Allegiant, American, Delta, Frontier, Southwest and United. A free shuttle service from the airport (1.5 miles) is provided by the hotel.

Along with the planned activities here are a few activities that you can do on your own if you arrive early or stay late or don't plan on going to the Wright Patterson AFB Museum on Thursday.

The baseball season will be over but the Reds have one of the best Museums in the Professional Baseball and it's located next to the Great American Ball Park. The Museum is free to veterans.

<https://www.mlb.com/reds/hall-of-fame>

Our Zoo and Botanical Gardens are second to none with a White Tiger display and Baby Fiona, a hippo raised from birth at the zoo.

<http://cincinnati-zoo.org/>

The Creation Museum is about 7 miles from the hotel. It's a state of the art Adventure through biblical history with stunning exhibits, botanical gardens, planetarium, zoo, zip lining ...and dinosaurs. In the Bible??? For real??? You gotta see it to believe it.

<https://creationmuseum.org/>

The Ark Encounter is 20 miles south and has a real wooden Ark based on the size described in the bible; it is huge.

<https://arkencounter.com/>

Kentucky Horse Park is about 45 miles away near Lexington Kentucky.

<https://kyhorsepark.com/>

The Cincinnati Museum Center is near the downtown area and housed in the old Art-Deco Union Terminal Train Station. It has a natural history museum and the Cincinnati History Museum. You can also tour the old railroad control station housed on the top floor. It also features an IMAX theater.

<https://www.cincymuseum.org/>

The Hofbrauhaus in Newport, KY features the best German food outside of Munich.

<https://www.hofbrauhausnewport.com/>

You may want to check out the restaurant on the top of the Radisson Hotel located in Covington, Ky (5 miles from the hotel) on the Ohio River. It sits on the 18th floor of the hotel and revolves once every 45 minutes, giving a great view of the downtown area, and the food is delicious.

<https://www.restaurantcovingtonky.com/>