

USS BRADLEY ASSOCIATION

Founded July 6, 2002

May 2023
NEWSLETTER



April 1983 in San Diego - USS *New Jersey* (BB-62), USS *Kitty Hawk* (CV-63), USS *Ranger* (CV-61)

President's Message

I hope everyone is doing well. I'm so glad winter has finally ended in Northern Nevada - Donner Pass had a total of 730 inches of snow!

An update on our 2024 reunion to be held in Annapolis: We've put down our hotel deposit and the planning continues as we set up tours. The dates will be May 3 - 6 and is being planned by Wendy Campbell, daughter of our late shipmate Mike Davis. She's doing an excellent job for us and we'll be able to book tours and rooms right from her to simplify the process, and she will attend the reunion to help us with any problems that may arise. I'm very pleased with the customer service she is providing. I don't believe we will experience the mix-ups we had in Jacksonville.

I hope to see some new old faces in Annapolis, so if you haven't attended a reunion in the past or haven't returned for awhile, start making plans - it's great to see old shipmates.

On Tuesday May 16 a handful of Bradley crew got underway on Carnival Cruise Line for a seven day trip to Alaska. It was great hanging with the old crew again.

Bob Planeta

Treasurers Report 1 January 2022 to 31 December 2022

Fund Balance 1 January 2022:

Uncommitted Cash = \$5402.85

Receipts:

Member Dues = \$1980.00

Jacksonville Reunion Auction = \$855.00

Reunion Hotel Deposit Refund = \$734.42

Total Funds Received = \$3569.42

Disbursements:

Newsletters = \$866.17

Total Funds Disbursed = \$866.17

Excess of Funds Disbursed over Receipts = -\$2703.25

Fund Balance 31 December 2022:

Uncommitted Cash = \$8106.10

We all have memories of our time aboard the Bradley. I believe most of us have many mostly good memories of those times, but in July 1974 Bradley was witness to an accident that to this day is one of the saddest, especially for those aboard at the time. It's difficult to understand why there wasn't more coverage of the accident.

MISSILE HITS COPTER IN A LUZON ACCIDENT

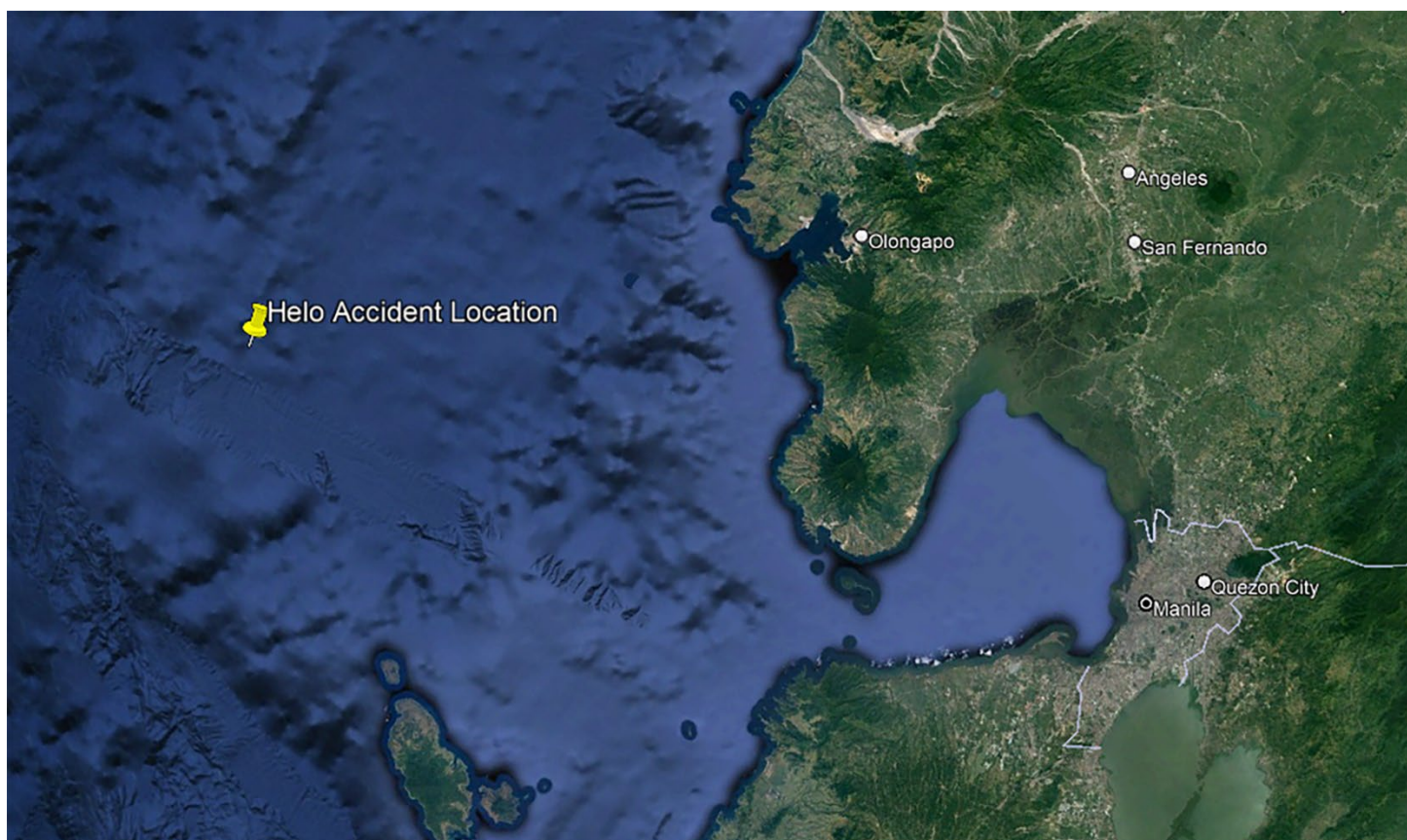
From the New York Time – July 23, 1974

MANILA, July 22 (AP)—A heat-seeking missile from a United States Navy F-4 Phantom jet accidentally hit a Navy helicopter today and the six men aboard the helicopter are missing, the Navy reported.

The missile downed the SH-3 helicopter 70 miles southwest of the Subic Bay naval base north of Manila, the Navy said both the helicopter and the plane were from the aircraft carrier Ranger, which was holding a training exercise en route to Subic Bay.

Two destroyers, the Jouet and the Bradley, arrived at the crash scene within minutes but recovered only debris from the helicopter, a Navy spokesman said. He said visibility at the time was excellent and seas were calm.

The Navy said the jet was trying to fire the Sidewinder missile at a parachute flare target. It said the missile was launched normally but "the missile did not fly the expected track to the intended target but rather flew into the helicopter which was seen to make a partial turn, impact into the sea and sink."



POSITION	ZONE	TIME
0800		
L 13° 56.4' N	BY 284	
λ 119° 38.6' E	BY 284	

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
1200		
L 14° 11.4' N	BY 284	
λ 119° 34.1' E	BY 284	

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
2000		
L 14° 26.7' N	BY 284	
λ 119° 05.5' E	BY 284	

LEGEND: 1-CELESTIAL
2-ELECTRONIC
3-VISUAL
4-D.R.

REPORT NUMBER 3100-1

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TIME	ORDER	CSE	SPD	DEPTH	RECORD OF ALL EVENTS OF THE DAY
18 - 21	23 - 29	30 - 32	33 - 36	37 - 40	41
					0800-1200 (CON'T)
1044	C/S		10	48RPM	
1051					RECEIVED SHIPS DRAFT REPORT AS FOLLOWS: DISPLACEMENT: 84,100 DRAFT FWD 37'6" AFT 38'6"
1056					RECEIVED SHIPS MAGAZINE TEMPERATURE REPORT. MAX TEMPERATURE 94° IN SPACE 5-76-6-M. MIN TEMPERATURE 70° IN SPACE 3-40-2-M.
1100					WOUND SHIPS CHRONOMETERS
1114					LT ERIKSON ASSUMED THE CONN
1123					HS-36 AIRCRAFT, BUREAU NO. 148034 OF HC-1 DET. 4 CRASHED INTO THE SEA APPROXIMATELY 2000 YARDS OFF OF THE STARBOARD QUARTER AT 14°-17.3'N 119°31.7'E AND SANK IN 1300 FATHOMS. PERSONNEL ON BOARD INCLUDED THE PILOT LT. D.G. ALLEN, USN
					FOIA(b)6 CO-PILOT LTJG R.O. WOODRING, USN
					FOIA(b)6 CREW MEMBERS ATZ
					DE PORTER, USN
					FOIA(b)6 PHAN, J. D. GRAMER
					FOIA(b)6 AND PHAN R.E. ST. JOHN,
					USN, DETACHED USS JOUETT (DDG-29), USS BRADLEY (DE-1041) AND HELICOPTER TO THE SCENE OF THE CRASH
1155	AEA FULL		20	96RPM	
1156	R15°R 170			P6C	
					L.T. Hahn L.T. HAHN, LTJG, USN
					1200-1600
1157					ASSUMED THE WATCH UNDERWAY AS BEFORE
1158	C/S		22	105RPM	
1159	STEADY 170			P6C 174° PST6C	
1216	C/S		20	96RPM	
1219	AEA 2/3		10	48RPM	
1229					ENS RUBIO ASSUMED THE CONN
1236	R10°R 330			P6C	
1238	AEA FULL		20	96RPM	
1245	STEADY 330			P6C 330° PST6C	
1325	R10°R 175			P6C	
	C/S		22	105RPM	

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1200-1600 (CON'T)

1333 C/C 150 P6C
 1335 C/C 160 P6C
 1338 STEADY 160 P6C 166° PST6C
 1353 R/5°/R 330 P6C
 1402 STEADY 330 P6C 330° PST6C
 1415 USS JOUETT (DLG 29) AND USS BRADLEY (DE-104)
 TERMINATED SEARCH FOR PERSONNEL ON
 BOARD HS-36 HELICOPTER, BUINO H4034 NO
 SURVIVORS FOUND.
 1435 RECEIVED SHIPS NALSTER REPORT NO NEW
 ABSENTEES NOR DELETIONS.
 1458 R/5°/R 180° P6C
 1506 STEADY 180° P6C 184° PST6C
 1518 LTR LAPINTE ASSUMED THE CONN
 1520 C/S 21 100 RPM
 1525 C/S 22 105 RPM
 1530 C/S 20 96 RPM
 1535 R/7°/R 000 P6C

J. S. Shubert
 U.S. SHUBROCKS, LTJG, USN

1600-1800

1543 ASSUMED THE WATCH UNDERWAY AS BEFORE.
 1545 STEADY 000 P6C 000° PST6C
 1552 ~~1547~~ L/3°/R 335 P6C
 1557 STEADY 335 P6C 334° PST6C
 1625 L/5°/R 230 P6C
 1626 C/S 22 105 RPM
 1631 STEADY 245° P6C 242° PST6C
 1632 AEA FULL 24 115 RPM
 1648 LIGHTED FIRES UNDER BOILER 2 B
 1702 AEA FULL 20 96 RPM
 R/5°/R 060 P6C
 1710 STEADY 060 P6C 060° PST6C
 1711 LCDR. NUTWELL ASSUMED THE CONN

J. H. Hayes
 U.S. HAYES, ENS, USNR

1800-2000

1737 ASSUMED THE WATCH UNDERWAY AS BEFORE
 1750 R/5°/R 260 P6C
 AEA TK 24 115 RPM

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Bradley crew retrieving bits of wreckage from the downed helo (photo taken from cruise book)

The above deck logs from the USS Ranger (CV 61) were downloaded from National Archives. The link is:

<https://catalog.archives.gov/id/100455028?objectPage=100>

If you're unable to get the link to work by clicking on it (you may need to hover over it and press the Ctrl key to make the link active), enter it (exactly as shown above) in your browser address bar. Once open, you may get an icon telling you "Click to Interact". After you do that you can zoom in by clicking on the + sign in the upper left corner of your screen. You should then be able to center the page by clicking and holding the page and moving it. You can navigate to the previous and/or next page using the arrows at the bottom of the screen. I'm really hoping this works - we have such a wide range of computer skills in our group, not to mention the differences in software/hardware.

Don't forget: Our 2024 reunion will be held in Annapolis, arriving Friday May 3, departing Monday May 6. As President Planeta said, we've put a deposit down on the hotel in Annapolis, so things are moving along.

Details to follow, so save the date!!



(L to R) Bob, Richard, Butch – Jacksonville 2022

Waitin' for a train that never came.



(L to R) Richard, Diane, Bill – San Diego 2019

At our reunions, family and friends are welcome and many have attended multiple times.

"I have attended six Bradley reunions as a guest of my good friend Bill Barrett. Great Reunions, good times, and many new friends! Hope to attend in 2024!" Richard Duffy