



## Investigation Report

**Case Report:** PRAB-COM-101311

**Location:** USS Salem

### Individual Investigators Present:

Ian Murphy	Lead Investigator
Nate Goldstein	Public Information Officer
Jen Kelley	Trainee Paranormal Investigator
Rachel Bruce	Trainee Paranormal Investigator
Mikey Lee	Trainee Paranormal Investigator
Becky MacDonald	Trainee Paranormal Investigator

### Raw Data Obtained

Audio: 15 Files: 3 Hours, 19 minutes, 50 Seconds (1.84Gb)

Video: 174 Files: 37 Hours 21 Minutes, 32 seconds (5.79 GB)

**Timeline**

Location	Time Out	Time In	Team	Control Note
2nd Mess	20:15	20:46	Alpha	
Engine Room	20:15	20:50	Bravo	
Barber Shop	21:15	21:51		Ian, Rachel, Jen
Anchor Room	21:15	21:50		Nate, Becky, Mikey
Anchor Room	22:05	22:15		Ian, Rachel, Jen
Below 2nd Mess	22:05	22:16		Nate, Becky, Mikey
Bunk Room	22:37	22:57	Mikey	
Anchor Room	22:40	23:00	Becky	
Triage	22:39	22:57	Jen	
Officers Mess	23:15	23:41		Ian, Jen
Barber Shop	23:15	23:43		Mikey, Nate, Becky
Triage	0:02	0:31		Ian, Becky, Mikey
Anchor Room	0:02	0:29		Nate, Jen

**History of Location**

Ordered by the US Navy on 14 June, 1943, USS Salem (CA 139) was laid down on 4 July, 1945 at the Bethlehem Steel Company's Quincy Yard in Quincy, MA and launched on 25 March, 1947. She was commissioned at the Boston Navy Yard on 14 May, 1949.

USS Salem served a distinguished 10 year career as flagship of the US Sixth Fleet in the Mediterranean and the Second Fleet in the Atlantic. During her career she served as host to such notables as the US Ambassador to Spain, John D. Lodge; the Honorable Thomas S. Gates, Undersecretary of the Navy; Admiral Arleigh A. Burke, USN, Chief of Naval Operations; the Shah of Iran; the President of Lebanon and the King and Queen of Greece.

Although Salem never fired her mighty guns in anger, her very presence served as a stimulus for peace during those troubled times that came to be called the Cold War. She served as a Lady of Diplomacy, rather than as a means of exerting brute force.

In October of 1994, Salem once again made her way north to her birthplace in Quincy, where she is now the centerpiece of the United States Naval and Shipbuilding Museum.

The USS Salem is also host to the Halloween exhibit, "The Haunted Ship".

**The Results****Electromagnetic Field Sweep:****No unexplainable EMF spikes were detected****Carbon Monoxide Sweep:****No appreciable CO detected.****Barometric Pressure Sweep:****No appreciable pressure changes detected****Radiation Sweep:****No appreciable gamma radiation detected****Video Results**

<b>Cameras</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Status</b>
<b>Wired One</b>	John Alley	No anomalies detected
<b>Wired Two</b>	Bunk Room	No anomalies detected
<b>Wired Three</b>	CIC	No anomalies detected
<b>Wired Four</b>	Operating Room	No anomalies detected
<b>Wireless One</b>	Dentists	No anomalies detected
<b>Wireless Two</b>	Ward Room	No anomalies detected
<b>Wireless Three</b>	Corridor Ward	No anomalies detected
<b>Wireless Four</b>	Command	No anomalies detected
<b>DV Camera S1, S2</b>	Mobile	No anomalies detected
<b>DVD X1, X2</b>	Mobile	No anomalies detected
<b>HDD J1</b>	Mobile	No anomalies detected

Video Note: Multiple static / interference on the wireless cameras.

**Audio Results****File: Engine-1.MP3** (*extraction*)**Location: Engine Room**

<b>Anomaly</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>File Name</b>	<b>Explanation</b>
<b>After Nate states that this is the last chance for anyone to say anything, a possible answer of "go" is received.</b>	<b>4:46.887</b> ( <i>master</i> )	<b>Engine-1.MP3</b>	<b>Undetermined at this time. INT8 of this anomaly is on file.</b>

**Note on Engine Room recordings:**

Although a number of other voices / movements / whispers were collected on this file, the USS Salem resident team were present and it was reported that they were whispering without marking during data collection. When speaking, the PRAB will only speak louder than a whisper, and mark any contamination from them on the recorder.

**File: Officers Mess.MP3** (*extraction*)**Location: Officers Mess**

<b>Anomaly</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>File Name</b>	<b>Explanation</b>
<b>Sound of inhalation and a word following</b>	<b>4:20.112</b> ( <i>master</i> )	<b>Officers Mess.MP3</b>	<b>Sound possibly movement from chair. INT8 not on file, no enhancements required.</b>

**File: Shower Room.MP3** (*extraction*)**Location: Shower Room**

<b>Anomaly</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>File Name</b>	<b>Explanation</b>
<b>Muffled Voices, heard at time of recording</b>	<b>14:16.987</b> ( <i>master</i> )	<b>Shower Room.MP3</b>	<b>Possible contamination. Enhancement attempted, but not possible.</b>

**Barber Shop.wav**

**No undetermined anomalies detected**

**John Alley (Becky).wav**

**No undetermined anomalies detected**

**John Alley.wav**

**No undetermined anomalies detected**

**Museum.wav**

**No undetermined anomalies detected**

**PRAB USS SALEM 1 11142011\_08-40-04.wav**

**No undetermined anomalies detected**

**PRAB USS SALEM 2 11142011\_08-58-17.wav**

**No undetermined anomalies detected**

**PRAB USS SALEM 3 11142011\_16-37-37.wav**

**No undetermined anomalies detected**

**PRAB USS SALEM 4 11142011\_16-49-57.wav**

**No undetermined anomalies detected**

**PRAB USS SALEM 5 11142011\_17-10-03.wav**

**No undetermined anomalies detected**

**PRAB USS SALEM 6 11142011\_18-43-40.wav**

**No undetermined anomalies detected**

**PRAB USS SALEM 7 11142011\_18-57-15.wav**

**No undetermined anomalies detected**

**PRAB USS SALEM 8 11142011\_20-05-21.wav**

**No undetermined anomalies detected**

## **Personal Experiences**

### **Location: Second Bunk room**

While in the second bunk room, Ian, Jen and Mikey heard the sound that appeared to be a door opening. They attempted to recreate the sound, but could not successfully do so. Even though they called out to see if anyone was there, there was no reply, however the resident team was walking around the ship and on a number of times had not answered the team when they spoke. We believe this was not due to any malice, instead they may have thought we were calling to people other than them

**This experience remains unexplained at this time, but was likely contamination.**

## **Final Results**

While we did capture a number on anomalies on our voice recorders, and personally hear a number of sounds, these can be split into 3 categories:

### **1. Warrants further investigation**

There were some anomalies, those listed above, that remain undetermined at this time. These files will be revisited by the PRAB as part of our constant research.

### **2. Unfamiliar environment**

The ship is an unfamiliar environment with multiple sounds that are normal operation or expansion and contraction of metal. These are sounds you would be used to being on the ship long term, but we are not.

### **3. Contamination from resident team**

The resident team performed many safety patrols during the investigation which would have triggered sounds. It is recommended that should another team investigate the ship perhaps they incorporate the resident team into the investigation groups. This should aid in elimination of false positives.

Overall the investigation was a success insomuch as it was a training investigation for the new team members. They were able to perform an investigation, analyze data and report as is needed in any of our investigations on an otherwise unsubstantial investigation. They were able to utilize the skills, and theory they acquired in their didactic training and apply them to real world situations.

### **Coding:**

**Blue -- Information**

**Red -- Anomaly Detected**

**Green -- Anomaly Explained**

**Purple -- Anomaly Not Explained at This Time**