

Blogs relevant to naval operations/warfare, policy, and innovation are monitored for items of interest. Some items include a brief excerpt. If you would like to recommend a blog site for inclusion, or want to be removed from the list please contact Mike Perron at: robert.m.perron.ctr@navy.mil

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1. CDR SALAMANDER

[Command and the Spanish Navy](#): "...there is a lot the USN can learn from its smaller, more nimble friends out there."

2. WIRED: DANGER ROOM

[New 3-D Printed Rifle Magazine Lets You Fire Hundreds of Rounds](#): "Meet the 'Cuomo.' It's a new printed magazine for your AR-15 rifle, soon to be available for download, and it holds 30 bullets. Upgrading an earlier design that didn't hold up particularly well after extended use, it's an unsubtle rejoinder to New York Governor Andrew Cuomo, who recently signed a magazine-restriction law limiting mags to seven rounds."

3. OTHER BLOGS (Rotating, based on relevant content)

ARES

[The Accidental Combat Ship](#): "Navy officials say they were taken completely off-guard by the posting of Work's paper – and its emphasis on the past sins of the LCS program. They say Work's assertions completely ignore the Navy's acknowledgement of the program's shortcomings and its efforts to fix the ships, as well as its attempt to stick to a truer, more cohesive narrative since the latter half of 2012."

BUSINESS INSIDER

[New 'Google For Spies' Mines Social Media, Builds Profiles, Predicts Future Locations](#): "The program, called Rapid Information Overlay Technology, or RIOT, enables intelligence officers to "gain a snapshot of a person's life" in as little as a few clicks, reports Ryan Gallagher of The Guardian."

[Today Anyone In The World Can Be A Lethal Sniper](#): "The rifle claims to magnify human ability using precision ammunition, a network tracking scope, a guided trigger and a heads up display. It allows an average shooter to bring down targets at over 1,200 yards. More than half a mile in the distance."

THE DEW LINE

[Eglin F-35 pilots fly tactical intercepts](#): "I suppose it could be possible a loaded up Typhoon offers performance comparable to a relatively clean Hornet, but I don't know that for a fact. I think we're missing some important information in this case and hard numbers are something no one is willing (with good reason) to provide."

EAGLESPEAK

[Navy Playing with the Stiletto](#)

GADGET LAB

[The Decades That Invented the Future, Part 12: The Present and Beyond](#): "This week's installment takes us into the future, when cars drive themselves, we find out we're not alone and healthcare finally works."

GOVERNMENT EXECUTIVE

[The 3 Secrets of Effective Time Investment](#): “In all this uncertainty, one thing is clear: federal workers will be expected to do more in an increasingly resource constrained environment—which means investing your time wisely is more important than ever.”

INNOVATION MANAGEMENT

[The Supremacy of Innovation](#): “Corporations engaged in innovation and seeking image supremacy must embrace both sides of the equation: the hard asset issues, like productions, material and costs along with soft asset issues, like vision, creative ideas combined with hidden talents blended with desires and emotions.”

INTERCEPTS (Defense News)

[How Big Would DoD Budget be Under Sequestration? Pretty Big, It Turns Out.](#) *(Infographic)*

NAVAL DRONES

[Tactical Employment of Drone Motherships](#): “The Chief of Naval Operations' push for "payload over platforms" will lead to additional experimentation with other mothership/drone pairings. Expect to see new combinations of unmanned vehicle carriers expanded into other warfare areas, including anti-surface, anti-submarine, and intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance.”

TIME MAGAZINE BATTLELAND BLOG

[Lady Navy SEALS?](#): “Special Operations Commander Admiral William McRaven stated: I guarantee you, there will be females out there that will come to [Basic Underwater Demolition/SEAL] training or be Rangers...and will do a phenomenal job.”

WIRED MAGAZINE (OTHER)

[Check Out This Tiny 3-D Printed Spaceship](#): “At 125 micrometers long, the craft is about the length of a dust mote and takes less than 50 seconds to produce.”

[Shapeways' 3-D Printing Factory Tour Reveals the Handmade Future](#): “It's easy to overlook the number of steps between sending in a CAD file and getting the result delivered to your home. All of those steps involve a human. We'd like to show you how Shapeways makes ideas real.”