

Potential Museum Exhibit "Bombs"

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Conway, South Carolina When Horry County Museum director Walter Hill found what he believed to be part of a detonator lodged in an old cannonball at the museum, his hopes of displaying the piece in the museum went up in smoke literally.

While cleaning the Civil War-era cannonball, Hill encountered an obstruction. After having it x-rayed, it was deemed live. EOD from Shaw Air Force Base were called in to dispose of the round by controlled detonation at the Conway city police shooting range.

The cannonball, shown below, was identified as an 10-inch, 88-pound Confederate Naval shell. The round was found under an oak tree in a busy area of main street. The round was found while crews were cleaning up after an ice storm.

