
Subject: Roland Ranfft
Posted by [Gary](#) on Thu, 24 Aug 2023 14:58:08 GMT
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Some posts are floating around that he passed.

Reddit Post

Subject: Re: Roland Ranfft
Posted by [Jenneke](#) on Thu, 24 Aug 2023 17:16:07 GMT
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Sad, hope they are wrong.
For now his website with all the good info on movements is offline. :(

Some info can be reached through the internet archive:
<http://web.archive.org/web/20220129012138/http://www.ranfft.de/cgi-bin/bidfun-db.cgi?10&ranfft&&2uswk>

And a guy has an old backup which might be available shortly.
<https://xchwarze.github.io/ranfft-db/app/#/>

Subject: Re: Roland Ranfft
Posted by [afire](#) on Fri, 25 Aug 2023 14:28:58 GMT
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RIP. I knew nothing of the man, but regularly relied on his database for reference.

Subject: Re: Roland Ranfft
Posted by [Gary](#) on Fri, 25 Aug 2023 15:18:04 GMT
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Good news!
<https://xchwarze.github.io/ranfft-db/app/#/>

Subject: Re: Roland Ranfft
Posted by [Jenneke](#) on Fri, 25 Aug 2023 18:01:08 GMT
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The copy is available through
<https://ranfft.org/>

Subject: Re: Roland Ranfft
Posted by [JackW](#) on Fri, 25 Aug 2023 18:46:29 GMT
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I interacted with Roland as did Trim (aka Kris). Apparently he had a serious health scare last year but survived it. Seems that all the places he would comment, have no activity for him since March, so I am concerned that he is gone. His DB is one of the most valuable assets on the internet, bar none but he was also a joy to chat with.

Rough week as also Joel Held of Twin City Supply also died.

Subject: Re: Roland Ranfft
Posted by [Jenneke](#) on Mon, 28 Aug 2023 16:09:43 GMT
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The pink pages are back...

<http://www.ranfft.de/cgi-bin/bidfun-db.cgi?11&ranfft& ;0&2uswk>

Subject: Re: Roland Ranfft
Posted by [Gary](#) on Mon, 28 Aug 2023 17:26:15 GMT
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Sounds like he is still here with us...?

Chatterbox

Hi Folks,

apparently I was dead as a doornail since months, but only apparently. I'm running fairly again, enough to reanimate my watch activities again. It will take some time for all divisions, but it will be successful finally.

Subject: Re: Roland Ranfft
Posted by [JackW](#) on Mon, 28 Aug 2023 17:46:43 GMT
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That is great news.

Went all "Mark Twain" on us.

Subject: Re: Roland Ranfft

Posted by [Jenneke](#) on Mon, 28 Aug 2023 18:21:45 GMT

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It is confirmed he died June 15th. It is still uncertain what will happen with the website.

Info on the uhrforum:

<https://uhrforum.de/threads/ranfft-uhrwerkseite-offline.547791/page-4#post-8334208>

Gary wrote on Mon, 28 August 2023 19:26 Sounds like he is still here with us...?

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That chatterbox text has been there for months and months. It isn't a new text.

Subject: Re: Roland Ranfft

Posted by [JackW](#) on Tue, 29 Aug 2023 03:02:36 GMT

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That is not great news. Had hopes for a minute. He was a giant for which we all could see further.
