404 – Page Not Found

The notorious 404 error, "Not Found", is often, not totally erroneously referred to as "the last page of the Internet. The error has been printed on T-shirts, an accessible and relatable facet of what was once relegated to nerd humor and is now a fact of our digital life.

Not long after it appeared, the error code began to enjoy, or endure, its fair share of lore. In the early 2000s, the idea bubbled up that the 404 came from, well, 404; that this room housed the web's first servers at CERN *(the European Organization for Nuclear Research in Switzerland)*; that World Wide Web inventor Tim Berners-Lee had his office there; that he frequented could not be found. Sound plausible? Nope – a complete myth.

The error was actually thought up by programmers. Client errors fell into the 400 range making "404" a relatively arbitrary assignation for "not found".

My favorite 404 page is: https://www.pixar.com/cer890h76yt89j768y6590g43e9f4efv54er

The Bloomberg 404 page is found at: https://www.bloomberg.com/morerandomkeystrokes

Also have a look at: http://www.1112.net/lastpage.html

If you would like to submit a question or suggest a topic for future column consideration, please email your questions or comments to: info.vpcuc@gmail.com

The next monthly meeting of the Vernon PC Users' Club will be Tuesday, June 12th, at 7:00 PM in the cafeteria at the Schubert Centre.

We start off every meeting with a 'TANSQ' session. Come check us out!

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