E COMPANY, 2ND BATTALION, 5TH MARINES

JUNE 1970 — AN HOA COMBAT BASE

Compiled from the 2/5 Command Chronology for June 1970

1st Marine Division · III Marine Amphibious Force · I Corps, Republic of Vietnam

1. Unit Overview

Unit Designation	Echo Company (E Co), 2nd Battalion, 5th Marine Regiment, 1st Marine Division
Reporting Period	1–30 June 1970
Commander	1stLt C. E. Schaffer (1–30 June)
Higher HQ	2nd Battalion, 5th Marines (LtCol F. D. Leder); 5th Marines; 1st Marine Division
Area of Operations	An Hoa Combat Base
Combat Posture	Combat operations, patrols and security (81 combat entries)
Base of Operations	An Hoa Combat Base
Corps Area	I Corps Tactical Zone, Republic of Vietnam

2. Commander's Summary

Company E’s entries for June 1970 place it most often at or near An Hoa Combat Base (1 of 1 entries with a named place or grid).

Company E was commanded by 1stLt C. E. Schaffer (1–30 June); the battalion by LtCol F. D. Leder (1–30 June).

The battalion’s command chronology names Company E in 83 entries this month (81 combat, 1 movement, 1 medical).

On 1 June 1970: Echo's E1 received 6 rounds of AK-47 fire.

On 2 June 1970: Echo's E2 tripped a booby trap — No casualties.

On 2 June 1970: Echo tripped a box mine — 1 WIA evac, 1 non-evac.

3. Operations Overview

Operation / Activity	Dates	Description
An Hoa Combat Base operations	June 1970	No named operation appears in this month's entries for the company; activities are listed in the chronology below.

4. Chronology of Company E Activities

Compiled from the checked transcriptions of the 2/5 command chronology for June 1970 in the hotel25vv research database. Only entries naming Company E are listed. Times and grid references are as recorded; each entry ends with its source page.

Date	Activity / Events
1 Jun 06:25	Echo's E1 received 6 rounds of AK-47 fire [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 14]
1 Jun 21:00	Echo received one lob bomb, then another (31 May) [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 14]
1 Jun 21:00	Echo received 5-6 60mm rounds and 6-7 M-79 rounds [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 14]
1 Jun 22:40	Echo received 2 more lob bombs, 2 60mm and 3 M-79 [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 14]
1 Jun 22:51	Echo received 2 lob bombs, 6 60mm and 15 M-79 [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 14]
2 Jun 08:00	Echo's E2 tripped a booby trap — No casualties [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 16]
2 Jun 10:45	Echo tripped a box mine — 1 WIA evac, 1 non-evac [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 16]
2 Jun 12:50	Echo received 1 M-79 round and fired small arms [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 16]
2 Jun 13:20	Echo tripped a booby trap — No casualties [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 16]
2 Jun 18:30	Echo's E1 spotted 10-15 VC/NVA and called a mission [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 16]
3 Jun 10:00	Echo's E1C wounded 1 VC/NVA with small arms [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 18]
3 Jun 12:00	Echo found a booby-trap factory — All blown in place [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 18]
3 Jun 13:00	Echo found a pack in a treeline with items [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 18]
3 Jun 13:50	Echo found an 81mm booby trap — Blown in place [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 18]
3 Jun 14:15	Echo's E3A found 2 M-14 magazines and 2 booby traps [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 18]
3 Jun 14:45	Echo's E1 found NVA pamphlets and 2 booklets [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 18]
3 Jun 19:50	Echo's E3A killed 2 VC/NVA while crossing a river [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 18]
3 Jun 20:00	Echo received 20 AK-47 rounds and returned fire [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 18]

Date	Activity / Events
3 Jun 20:30	Echo received 10 incoming 61mm rounds [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 18]
4 Jun 07:40	Echo's E4A found and destroyed 6 black uniforms [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 20]
4 Jun 10:35	Echo found and destroyed 2 60mm booby traps [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 20]
4 Jun 11:00	Echo's E2B found and destroyed a homemade tube [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 22]
4 Jun 15:30	Echo's E1 found and destroyed a 30-lb box mine [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 20]
4 Jun 17:55	Echo's E2 CP tripped a booby trap — No casualties [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 20]
4 Jun 18:00	Echo's E4A OP found and destroyed an 81mm booby trap [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 20]
4 Jun 19:50	Echo's E3 found 47 cooking pots and 200 lb of rice (3 Jun) [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 20]
5 Jun 06:10	Echo's E4A OP found and destroyed a 60mm booby trap [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 22]
5 Jun 09:30	Echo's E1C found and destroyed an 81mm illumination booby trap [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 22]
5 Jun 14:20	Echo found 200 lb of rice in a spider hole [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 22]
5 Jun 17:30	Echo's E3 received 25 rounds of AK fire — 3 WIA [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 22]
5 Jun 18:00	Echo's E1 killed 1 VC/NVA by gunship [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 22]
6 Jun 12:35	Echo found and destroyed 4 ChiCom grenades [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 24]
6 Jun 18:10	Echo set off a suspected 175mm round — 2 USMC KIA [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 24]
6 Jun 19:10	Echo found 8 .30-cal and 1 M-16 magazines [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 24]
7 Jun 19:00	Echo found an AK-47 firing pin [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 26]
7 Jun 21:10	Echo received 1 lob bomb [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 26]
7 Jun 21:30	Echo found a 500-lb bomb [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 26]
8 Jun 07:20	Echo CP's lob bomb was a 250-lb bomb (follow-up) [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 28]
8 Jun 11:15	Echo's E4A found and destroyed 2 rock mines [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 30]
8 Jun 19:00	Echo's E1 heard an explosion — 1 VC/NVA KIA [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 28]
8 Jun 19:30	Echo's E1C detained 1 Vietnamese male [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 28]
8 Jun	On 8 June 1970 a tank-infantry operation employing Hotel and Echo companies with the Pacifier company in the Phu Nhuan area killed eight VC/NVA and took two prisoners and two detainees. On 9 June Hotel went to Go Noi Island for reconnaissance in force. (Narrative summary, Jun 1970 chronology, PDF p. 6.) [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 6]
9 Jun 06:15	Echo's E1 spotted 5 VC/NVA and called a fire mission [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 30]
11 Jun 19:20	Echo's E1 spotted 2 enemy [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 34]

Date	Activity / Events
14 Jun 06:50	Echo received 10-15 small-arms rounds — 3 USMC WIA [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 40]
14 Jun 09:15	Echo's E2A tripped a booby trap — 1 WIA [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 40]
14 Jun 11:35	Echo's H3B found 3 booby traps, all blown [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 40]
14 Jun 18:00	Echo's E1A tripped a booby trap — No casualties [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 40]
14 Jun 18:00	Echo found an M-26 booby trap — Blown in place [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 40]
15 Jun 10:00	Echo's E2A found 1 dead VC/NVA [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 42]
15 Jun 10:45	Echo's E1 tripped a booby trap — 2 USMC WIA [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 42]
15 Jun 10:50	Echo's E3 received 15 rounds of AK fire [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 43]
15 Jun 11:30	Echo's E3 found a 105mm booby trap — Blown, gear sent to ITT [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 42]
15 Jun 12:45	Echo's E2C found 1 booby trap — Blown [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 42]
16 Jun 13:35	Echo CP found 2 SKSs [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 46]
19 Jun 09:45	Echo's MO3 found a M-26 booby trap — Blown [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 56]
19 Jun 10:15	Echo spotted 3 and killed 1 VC/NVA [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 56]
19 Jun 13:20	MO3 tank hit a 60mm booby trap — 2 PF WIA [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 56]
19 Jun 14:10	Tanks hit a 105mm booby trap — No casualties [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 56]
19 Jun 16:30	MO3 found various ordnance and documents [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 56]
19 Jun 17:40	S-2 team found foodstuffs, ordnance and personal gear [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 56]
19 Jun 20:00	MO3 got 2 enemy KIA and 4 enemy WIA; 1 AK-47 and 4 packs [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 56]
19 Jun 22:40	MO3 received one lob bomb — No casualties [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 56]
20 Jun 08:00	Follow-up: MO3 found 260,000 piasters and $5,000 in American greenbacks (19 Jun) [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 58]
20 Jun 08:00	Echo's MO/CIT tripped a 105mm booby trap — 1 WIA [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 58]

Date	Activity / Events
20 Jun 11:55	Echo and MO3 now in An Hoa [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 58]
23 Jun 12:20	Echo's E3C found 6 booby traps — All blown in place [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 64]
23 Jun 14:30	Echo's E3C had one heat casualty [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 64]
24 Jun 10:00	Echo's E1 received 2 rounds of sniper fire, checked area — Negative [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 64]
24 Jun 18:45	Echo's E1 found a booby trap, a can filled with explosive — Blown in place [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 64]
24 Jun 22:25	Echo's E1 received 2 incoming ChiComs — Negative results [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 64]
25 Jun 06:15	Echo's E3 killed one VC/NVA and captured a .45-cal pistol [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 66]
25 Jun 12:40	Echo CP received sniper fire — 1 WIA [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 66]
25 Jun 12:40	Echo found a dead baby booby-trapped; the body was moved and the booby trap blown [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 66]
25 Jun 18:00	Echo's E2 received 20 rounds of sniper fire, called a fire mission [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 66]
27 Jun 09:55	Echo's E1 spotted 3 VC/NVA, opened fire and wounded 1 VC female — Medevac called [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 70]
27 Jun 18:30	Echo's E3 found a Vietnamese child wounded by the air strike — Medevac called; AO spotted 4 VC/NVA and called a fire mission [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 70]
28 Jun 08:30	Echo's E3 conducting a SIR on the air strike [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 70]
28 Jun 11:00	Echo's E3 found 1 81mm booby trap — Blown [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 70]
30 Jun 07:10	ST3, Echo and Golf spotted 1 VC/NVA in a stream [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 72]
30 Jun 11:05	Echo's E1 spotted 2 VC/NVA and fired small arms [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 72]
30 Jun 13:00	Echo's E1 detained 1 male (Chieu Hoi) [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 72]
30 Jun 19:00	Echo's E1B spotted 7-9 VC/NVA and called a fire mission [2/5 ComdC Jun 1970, PDF p. 72]

5. Notes and Caveats

This file was built on 22 November 2026 in the same format as the Company H reports, directly from the checked, page-cited transcriptions of the 2nd Battalion, 5th Marines command chronologies. The notes below record its sources and where the record is thin.

1. SOURCE. The entries come from 2/5 Command Chronology Jun 1970 (Texas Tech University Vietnam Archive item 1201048128).

2. HOW IT WAS COMPILED. Every entry in the research database whose units name Company E (Echo) for June 1970 is listed in date and time order, with the page of the chronology it was read from. Entries that name only another company are left out.

3. COMMANDER. Company and battalion commanders are taken from the monthly organisation data (Section I of each chronology) as recorded in the battalion leadership ledger.

4. CASUALTIES. Casualty figures are not totalled here. Individual losses appear in the entries as recorded; for authoritative totals see the casualty tables in the original chronology.

5. ORIGINALS. National Archives and Records Administration, Record Group 127, Records of the United States Marine Corps. For full records contact National Archives II, 8601 Adelphi Road, College Park MD 20740, or Marine Corps History Division, Quantico VA 22134.

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