F COMPANY, 2ND BATTALION, 5TH MARINES

MARCH 1967 — NONG SON OUTPOST (COAL MINE)

Compiled from the 2/5 Command Chronology for March 1967

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

1. Unit Overview

Unit Designation	Foxtrot Company (F Co), 2nd Battalion, 5th Marine Regiment, 1st Marine Division
Reporting Period	1–31 March 1967
Commander	Capt J. A. Graham (1–31 March)
Higher HQ	2nd Battalion, 5th Marines (LtCol M. C. Jackson Jr.); 5th Marines; 1st Marine Division
Area of Operations	Nong Son outpost (coal mine), An Hoa Combat Base, Phu Nhuan (8), Phu Da (1) (CAP N-3)
Combat Posture	Combat operations, patrols and security (1 combat entries)
Base of Operations	Nong Son outpost (coal mine)
Corps Area	I Corps Tactical Zone, Republic of Vietnam

2. Commander's Summary

Company F’s entries for March 1967 place it most often at or near Nong Son outpost (coal mine) (2 of 4 entries with a named place or grid), and also at An Hoa Combat Base, Phu Nhuan (8), Phu Da (1) (CAP N-3).

Company F was commanded by Capt J. A. Graham (1–31 March); the battalion by LtCol M. C. Jackson Jr. (1–31 March).

The battalion’s command chronology names Company F in 5 entries this month (2 logistics, 1 movement, 1 civic, 1 combat).

On 20 March 1967: Foxtrot made an amphibious raid into Hanh Tay (2) with LVTP-5s and an LVTE-1, crossing at AT861493; sporadic fire from the west bank on the return; a feint before Operation New Castle.

3. Operations Overview

Operation / Activity	Dates	Description
Operation New Castle	220630H – 25 March 1967 (2/5 Command Chronology; previously listed as 21–25 March). Preceded by a deception raid on 20 March.	Foxtrot made an amphibious raid into Hanh Tay (2) with LVTP-5s and an LVTE-1, crossing at AT861493; sporadic fire from the west bank on the return; a feint before Operation New Castle

4. Chronology of Company F Activities

Compiled from the checked transcriptions of the 2/5 command chronology for March 1967 in the hotel25vv research database. Only entries naming Company F are listed. Times and grid references are as recorded; each entry ends with its source page.

Date	Activity / Events
1 Mar	Foxtrot improved the defenses of the Nong Son outpost (AT813383) [2/5 ComdC Mar 1967, PDF p. 15]
10 Mar	Foxtrot was relieved at Nong Son by Golf and became the An Hoa CP defense [2/5 ComdC Mar 1967, PDF p. 16]
13 Mar 05:00	County Fair 5-14: Foxtrot surrounded Phu Nhuan (3) (AT904506) and screened detainees [2/5 ComdC Mar 1967, PDF p. 16]
20 Mar 07:00	Foxtrot made an amphibious raid into Hanh Tay (2) with LVTP-5s and an LVTE-1, crossing at AT861493; sporadic fire from the west bank on the return; a feint before Operation New Castle [2/5 ComdC Mar 1967, PDF p. 17]
27 Mar	Foxtrot became the first 2/5 unit to receive the new M-16 rifle [2/5 ComdC Mar 1967, PDF p. 17]

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 Mar 1967 (Texas Tech University Vietnam Archive item 1201048081).

2. HOW IT WAS COMPILED. Every entry in the research database whose units name Company F (Foxtrot) for March 1967 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.

6. Sources

This document was compiled from the following primary and secondary sources:

PRIMARY SOURCES

— 2/5 Command Chronology Mar 1967 (Texas Tech University Vietnam Archive item 1201048081)

SECONDARY SOURCES

— Telfer, Gary L., Lane Rogers and V. Keith Fleming Jr. U.S. Marines in Vietnam: Fighting the North Vietnamese, 1967. History and Museums Division, HQMC, 1984.

— “Foxtrot Company.” Hotel 2/5 Combat Marines. https://hotel25vv.com

Document prepared for historical research purposes. For authoritative casualty figures, unit rosters, and engagement details, consult original 2/5 Command Chronology records at NARA RG 127. | Foxtrot Company, 2/5 Marines, March 1967