F COMPANY, 2ND BATTALION, 5TH MARINES

MARCH 1969 — THANH MY REFUGEE HAMLET

Compiled from the 2/5 Command Chronology for March 1969

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 1969
Commander	Capt R. N. Kingrey (1–31 March)
Higher HQ	2nd Battalion, 5th Marines (LtCol J. W. Stemple; LtCol J. H. Higgins); 5th Marines; 1st Marine Division
Area of Operations	Thanh My refugee hamlet, Hill 42, Phu Da (1) and (2)
Combat Posture	Combat operations, patrols and security (1 combat entries)
Base of Operations	Thanh My refugee hamlet
Corps Area	I Corps Tactical Zone, Republic of Vietnam

2. Commander's Summary

Company F’s entries for March 1969 place it most often at or near Thanh My refugee hamlet (7 of 13 entries with a named place or grid), and also at Hill 42, Phu Da (1) and (2).

Company F was commanded by Capt R. N. Kingrey (1–31 March); the battalion by LtCol J. W. Stemple (1–13 March); LtCol J. H. Higgins (14–31 March).

The battalion’s command chronology names Company F in 141 entries this month (140 movement, 1 combat).

3. Operations Overview

Operation / Activity	Dates	Description
Thanh My refugee hamlet operations	March 1969	No named operation appears in this month's entries for the company; activities are listed in the chronology below.

4. Chronology of Company F Activities

Compiled from the checked transcriptions of the 2/5 command chronology for March 1969 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 08:20	F3 Rover will skip CK2, go to CK3 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 16]
1 Mar 10:20	F3 Rover leaving team lines [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 16]
1 Mar 13:30	F3 Rover back in team lines [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 16]
3 Mar 08:20	F Rover leaving lines [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 20]
3 Mar 09:05	F Rover CK2 901491 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 20]
3 Mar 10:15	F Rover CK3 900496 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 20]
3 Mar 12:30	F Rover CK4 893494 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 20]
3 Mar 13:21	F Rover CK5 890498 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 20]
3 Mar 14:05	F Rover back in lines [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 20]
4 Mar 09:25	F2 Rover leaving lines [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 22]
4 Mar 09:35	F2 Rover CK1 887487 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 22]
4 Mar 10:03	F2 Rover CK2 890487 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 22]
4 Mar 10:55	F2 Rover CK4 885495 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 22]
4 Mar 11:20	F2 Rover back in lines [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 22]
5 Mar 08:49	F1 Rover leaving lines [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 24]
5 Mar 09:36	F3 headed for F CP [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 24]
6 Mar 08:56	F Rover CK2 887490 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 26]
6 Mar 12:20	F Rover back in lines [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 26]
7 Mar 13:10	F at Obj J 887491 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 28]
7 Mar 13:50	F at Obj V 885496 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 28]
7 Mar 14:55	F at Obj P 889507 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 28]
8 Mar 12:42	F1 back in lines [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 30]
8 Mar 12:43	F2 back in lines [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 30]

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8 Mar 12:55	F3 back in lines [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 30]
9 Mar 09:50	F3 left lines [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 33]
10 Mar 07:30	F1, F2, F3 left team lines [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 36]
11 Mar 07:25	F night activities secured [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 38]
11 Mar 11:47	F3 Rover left lines [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 38]
11 Mar 12:01	F3 Rover CK1 880490 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 38]
11 Mar 12:15	F3 Rover CK2 874496 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 39]
11 Mar 12:28	F3 Rover CK3 865490 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 39]
12 Mar 08:42	F2 Rover CK2 880490 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 41]
12 Mar 09:00	F2 Rover CK2 880495 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 41]
12 Mar 09:30	F2 Rover CK3 880500 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 41]
12 Mar 09:40	F2 Rover CK4 880505 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 41]
12 Mar 10:30	F2 Rover CK5 883502 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 42]
12 Mar 10:50	F2 Rover CK6 886504 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 42]
12 Mar 11:00	F2 Rover CK7 882500 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 42]
12 Mar 11:10	F3 Rover at CK8 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 42]
12 Mar 11:15	F2 Rover back in lines [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 42]
12 Mar 16:03	F night activities sent to "Capehorn" [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 42]
13 Mar 09:10	F1 Rover H&I with M-79 at 887487 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 44]
13 Mar 09:11	F1 Rover CK2 887487 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 44]
13 Mar 09:15	F1 Rover CK3 894485 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 44]
13 Mar 10:07	F1 Rover CK4 897485 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 44]

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13 Mar 10:22	F1 Rover CK5 898488 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 44]
13 Mar 10:35	F1 Rover back in lines [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 44]
14 Mar 07:47	F1 Rover left lines [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 47]
14 Mar 08:25	F2 Rover left lines [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 47]
14 Mar 08:40	F3 Rover left lines [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 47]
14 Mar 08:42	F2 Rover CK1 880492 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 47]
14 Mar 08:47	F3 Rover CK1 882482 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 47]
14 Mar 09:08	F2 Rover CK2 880495 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 47]
14 Mar 09:31	F2 Rover CK3 880500 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 47]
14 Mar 09:40	F3 Rover CK5 895488 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 47]
14 Mar 10:00	F2 and F3 Rover headed back [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 49]
14 Mar 10:20	F2 Rover back in lines [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 47]
14 Mar 19:25	F D/A sent to "Capehorn". [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 47]
16 Mar 09:07	F1 and F3 patrols CK1 AT 882482 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 55]
16 Mar 09:10	F1 and F3 CK2 AT 886484 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 55]
16 Mar 09:15	F1 and F3 CK3 AT 893484 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 55]
16 Mar 09:22	F1 and F3 CK4 AT 895485 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 55]
16 Mar 09:41	F1 and F3 CK6 AT 894493 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 55]
17 Mar 08:20	F2 patrol leaving lines [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 57]
17 Mar 10:45	F2 CK4 AT 890490 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 57]
17 Mar 11:00	F3B leaving lines [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 57]

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17 Mar 11:05	F2 CK5 AT 904491 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 57]
17 Mar 11:15	F3B leaving team lines [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 57]
17 Mar 11:30	F2 CK6 AT 895488 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 57]
17 Mar 11:35	F3 CK1 878481 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 58]
17 Mar 11:50	F3B CK2 AT 881481 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 58]
17 Mar 12:15	F3B CK4 AT 882496 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 58]
17 Mar 12:16	F3 back in lines [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 58]
17 Mar 12:19	F2 CK7 AT 890485 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 58]
17 Mar 12:21	F2 Rover CK8 AT 889481 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 58]
17 Mar 12:25	F3B back in lines [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 58]
17 Mar 13:08	F2 CK9 AT 883484 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 58]
17 Mar 13:16	F2 back in lines [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 58]
18 Mar 09:25	F3 left lines [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 60]
18 Mar 09:59	F3 back in lines [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 60]
18 Mar 12:50	F1 back in lines [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 60]
19 Mar 08:36	F1 Rover leaving lines [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 63]
19 Mar 08:45	F1 CK1 876490 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 63]
19 Mar 08:50	F3 CK1 881494 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 63]
19 Mar 09:31	F3 CK2 885492 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 63]
19 Mar 09:47	F1 CK2 867490 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 63]
19 Mar 09:55	F3 CK3 890485 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 63]

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19 Mar 10:00	F1 CK3 877485 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 63]
19 Mar 10:05	F3 CK4 899484 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 63]
19 Mar 10:25	F1 CK4 872478 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 63]
19 Mar 10:32	F3 CK5 900482 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 63]
19 Mar 10:47	F3 CK6 890480 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 63]
19 Mar 10:55	F1 back in lines [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 63]
19 Mar 11:07	F3 CK7 886475 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 63]
19 Mar 12:10	F3 CK8 880480 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 63]
19 Mar 12:20	F3 back in lines [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 64]
20 Mar 16:35	F secured Battalion Objective D [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 66]
21 Mar 14:30	F at Objective E 850510 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 68]
22 Mar 07:55	F and E moving toward new positions [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 69]
22 Mar 08:32	F passing through Objective O [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 69]
22 Mar 09:17	F at 817485 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 69]
22 Mar 19:58	F night activities set in [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 70]
23 Mar 07:20	F1B Rover CK1 825488 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 72]
23 Mar 07:35	F1B Rover CK2 827485 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 72]
23 Mar 07:50	F1C Rover at CK3 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 72]
23 Mar 08:06	F1 Rover CK4 830490 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 72]
23 Mar 08:15	F2 Rover at CK1 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 72]
23 Mar 08:45	F1 Rover CK5 827488 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 72]

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23 Mar 09:01	F1 Rover back in lines [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 72]
23 Mar 09:03	F2 Rover CK2 815485 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 72]
23 Mar 10:10	F2 Rover CK4 818485 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 72]
23 Mar 10:56	F2 Rover back in lines [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 72]
23 Mar 19:42	F and E night activities set in [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 72]
24 Mar 08:25	F3A Rover CK3 826485 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 75]
24 Mar 09:00	F1 Rover CK3 816476 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 75]
24 Mar 09:45	F3A Rover CK4 824482 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 75]
24 Mar 12:37	F1 Rover back in lines [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 75]
30 Mar 07:45	F1C leaving lines [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 86]
30 Mar 08:30	F1C CK3 859517 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 86]
30 Mar 09:07	F1C CK4 858518 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 86]
30 Mar 09:40	F1C CK6 852518 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 86]
30 Mar 09:45	F2 leaving lines [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 86]
30 Mar 09:51	F1C CK7 847515 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 86]
30 Mar 10:25	F1C in lines [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 86]
30 Mar 15:08	F3 Rover leaving lines [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 86]
30 Mar 16:01	F2 CK2 846509 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 86]
30 Mar 16:23	F2 CK3 843507 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 86]
30 Mar 16:50	F3 CK2 858515 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 86]
30 Mar 17:19	F2 patrol back in lines [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 86]

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31 Mar 07:45	F1(-) CK1 853515 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 88]
31 Mar 07:55	F1 CK2 854518 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 88]
31 Mar 08:23	F1 CK3 857519 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 88]
31 Mar 08:40	F2 leaving lines [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 88]
31 Mar 08:45	F1 CK4 860516 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 88]
31 Mar 08:52	F1 CK6 863511 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 88]
31 Mar 09:30	F2 CK2 852520 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 88]
31 Mar 09:46	F1 in lines [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 88]
31 Mar 10:35	F3 leaving lines [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 88]
31 Mar 10:51	F3 CK1 849512 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 88]
31 Mar 14:10	F2 will stay at CK12 851511 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 88]
31 Mar 14:50	F2 leaving CK12 851511 [2/5 ComdC Mar 1969, PDF p. 88]

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 1969 (Texas Tech University Vietnam Archive item 1201048113).

2. HOW IT WAS COMPILED. Every entry in the research database whose units name Company F (Foxtrot) for March 1969 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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