F COMPANY, 2ND BATTALION, 5TH MARINES

APRIL 1969 — 2/5 FIELD COMMAND POST IN THE ARIZONA

Compiled from the 2/5 Command Chronology for April 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	1–30 April 1969
Commander	Capt R. N. Kingrey (1–30 April)
Higher HQ	2nd Battalion, 5th Marines (LtCol J. H. Higgins); 5th Marines; 1st Marine Division
Area of Operations	2/5 field command post in the Arizona, LZ Lily
Combat Posture	Combat operations, patrols and security (7 combat entries)
Base of Operations	2/5 field command post in the Arizona
Corps Area	I Corps Tactical Zone, Republic of Vietnam

2. Commander's Summary

Company F’s entries for April 1969 place it most often at or near 2/5 field command post in the Arizona (4 of 5 entries with a named place or grid), and also at LZ Lily.

Company F was commanded by Capt R. N. Kingrey (1–30 April); the battalion by LtCol J. H. Higgins (1–30 April).

The battalion’s command chronology names Company F in 8 entries this month (7 combat, 1 logistics).

On 19 April 1969: F platoon at AT 841495 received 35 rounds from AT 829498: 1 WIA evac.

On 22 April 1969: Marine on patrol detonated an anti-personnel mine with pressure detonation at AT 866514 - 1 USMC WIA evac.

On 22 April 1969: Marine on patrol detonated booby-trapped M-26 at AT 846496 - 1 WIA evac, 1 non-evac.

3. Operations Overview

Operation / Activity	Dates	Description
2/5 field command post in the Arizona operations	April 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 April 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
April day unstated	Foxtrot receives PRC-88 radios. [2/5 ComdC Apr 1969, PDF p. 9]
19 Apr 10:20	F platoon at AT 841495 received 35 rounds from AT 829498: 1 WIA evac. [2/5 ComdC Apr 1969, PDF p. 53]
22 Apr 14:55	Marine on patrol detonated an anti-personnel mine with pressure detonation at AT 866514 - 1 USMC WIA evac [2/5 ComdC Apr 1969, PDF p. 40]
22 Apr 16:55	Marine on patrol detonated booby-trapped M-26 at AT 846496 - 1 WIA evac, 1 non-evac [2/5 ComdC Apr 1969, PDF p. 40]
24 Apr 17:45	Marine on patrol detonated booby-trapped M-26 at AT 826488 - 1 WIA evac, 1 non-evac. [2/5 ComdC Apr 1969, PDF p. 42]
25 Apr 13:00	on sweep at AT 844497 saw 8 VC/NVA with weapons entering treeline NE at AT 840502; opened fire with tanks and assaulted - 8 VC KIA, 1 Chieu Hoi, SKS, AK-47, rice, grenades, M-79 rds, medical supplies captured [2/5 ComdC Apr 1969, PDF p. 43]
28 Apr 20:10	moving to ambush site at AT 804515 a Marine detonated booby-trapped M-26 - 1 WIA non-evac. [2/5 ComdC Apr 1969, PDF p. 48]
30 Apr 14:30	aerial observer with F directed air strikes on enemy at ZC 207487 (as typed; probably AT) - 1 VC/NVA KBA. [2/5 ComdC Apr 1969, PDF p. 50]

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 Apr 1969 (Texas Tech University Vietnam Archive item 1201048114).

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

6. Sources

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

PRIMARY SOURCES

— 2/5 Command Chronology Apr 1969 (Texas Tech University Vietnam Archive item 1201048114)

SECONDARY SOURCES

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