G COMPANY, 2ND BATTALION, 5TH MARINES

FEBRUARY 1968 — ARVN ARMORY, HUE

Compiled from the 2/5 Command Chronology for February 1968

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

1. Unit Overview

Unit Designation	Golf Company (G Co), 2nd Battalion, 5th Marine Regiment, 1st Marine Division
Reporting Period	1–29 February 1968
Commander	Capt C. L. Meadows (1–29 February)
Higher HQ	2nd Battalion, 5th Marines (LtCol E. C. Cheatham Jr.); 5th Marines; 1st Marine Division
Area of Operations	ARVN armory, Hue, Hue prison, Hue hospital complex (#83), Treasury Building, Hue (#70)
Combat Posture	Combat operations, patrols and security (27 combat entries)
Base of Operations	ARVN armory, Hue
Corps Area	I Corps Tactical Zone, Republic of Vietnam

2. Commander's Summary

Company G’s entries for February 1968 place it most often at or near ARVN armory, Hue (18 of 24 entries with a named place or grid), and also at Hue prison, Hue hospital complex (#83), Treasury Building, Hue (#70).

Company G was commanded by Capt C. L. Meadows (1–29 February); the battalion by LtCol E. C. Cheatham Jr. (1–29 February).

The battalion’s command chronology names Company G in 27 entries this month (27 combat).

On 5 February 1968: Golf assaulted the north end of the hospital (YD76722164) with tanks and 106s; inside, 4 enemy dead and 30 wounded — 5 USMC WIA, 4 NVA/VC KIA, 30 POW.

On 6 February 1968: Golf attacked the prison complex (YD765214) and blew a hole in its walls — 1 USMC WIA, 36 NVA/VC KIA, 2 NVA POW; 5 ARVN prisoners and 2 prison officials freed.

On 7 February 1968: Golf (YD759221) took 4 60mm rounds — 4 USMC WIA.

3. Operations Overview

Operation / Activity	Dates	Description
ARVN armory, Hue operations	February 1968	No named operation appears in this month's entries for the company; activities are listed in the chronology below.

4. Chronology of Company G Activities

Compiled from the checked transcriptions of the 2/5 command chronology for February 1968 in the hotel25vv research database. Only entries naming Company G are listed. Times and grid references are as recorded; each entry ends with its source page.

Date	Activity / Events
5 Feb 16:32	Golf assaulted the north end of the hospital (YD76722164) with tanks and 106s; inside, 4 enemy dead and 30 wounded — 5 USMC WIA, 4 NVA/VC KIA, 30 POW [2/5 ComdC Feb 1968, PDF p. 13]
6 Feb 14:15	Golf attacked the prison complex (YD765214) and blew a hole in its walls — 1 USMC WIA, 36 NVA/VC KIA, 2 NVA POW; 5 ARVN prisoners and 2 prison officials freed [2/5 ComdC Feb 1968, PDF p. 13]
7 Feb 13:15	Golf (YD759221) took 4 60mm rounds — 4 USMC WIA [2/5 ComdC Feb 1968, PDF p. 14]
7 Feb 15:30	Golf (YD765208) attacked from Building #102 and overran the position — 11 NVA/VC KIA [2/5 ComdC Feb 1968, PDF p. 15]
8 Feb 13:15	Golf found 20 hastily made graves at YD77112140 — 25 NVA/VC KIA [2/5 ComdC Feb 1968, PDF p. 15]
9 Feb 10:05	Golf (YD780208), with twin 40mm guns, took fire and 82mm mortars — 3 NVA/VC KIA, 1 USMC KIA, 2 USMC WIA [2/5 ComdC Feb 1968, PDF p. 16]
9 Feb 12:10	Golf's twin 40mm guns hit; artillery called — 2 USMC KIA [2/5 ComdC Feb 1968, PDF p. 16]
9 Feb 18:20	Engineers with Golf destroying a bridge at YD772209 fired on — 2 USMC WIA, 1 USMC KIA [2/5 ComdC Feb 1968, PDF p. 16]
9 Feb	Golf's sweep near YD778209 found 15 enemy dead — 3 USMC WIA [2/5 ComdC Feb 1968, PDF p. 16]
10 Feb 08:46	Golf (YD779211) took WP rounds and fire from 12 NVA/VC — 5 NVA/VC KIA, 2 USMC WIA [2/5 ComdC Feb 1968, PDF p. 18]
12 Feb 17:25	Golf (YD76202073) with two gunships — 6 NVA/VC KIA [2/5 ComdC Feb 1968, PDF p. 18]
13 Feb 09:50	Golf command OP took sniper fire — 1 USMC KIA [2/5 ComdC Feb 1968, PDF p. 20]

Date	Activity / Events
14 Feb 07:35	A Golf platoon patrol (YD750208) assaulted an enemy force at YD744208 — 4 USMC WIA [2/5 ComdC Feb 1968, PDF p. 21]
14 Feb 13:20	Golf snipers and a platoon (YD749210) fired on 20 enemy in a rice paddy — 10 NVA/VC KIA [2/5 ComdC Feb 1968, PDF p. 21]
15 Feb 09:15	A Golf platoon patrol (YD747206) attacked a platoon-size enemy in fortified positions on high ground (YD745203 to YD749201) across a rice paddy; air strikes with napalm and 20mm — 1 USMC KIA, 3 USMC WIA [2/5 ComdC Feb 1968, PDF p. 22]
16 Feb 10:48	A Golf platoon patrol (YD754204) — 3 USMC WIA, 5 NVA/VC KIA [2/5 ComdC Feb 1968, PDF p. 23]
16 Feb 16:37	A Golf platoon position (YD752209) took 4 60mm rounds — 4 USMC WIA [2/5 ComdC Feb 1968, PDF p. 23]
17 Feb 21:30	A Golf squad ambush (YD751208) hit with mortars and grenades — 1 USMC WIA, 3 NVA/VC KIA [2/5 ComdC Feb 1968, PDF p. 24]
18 Feb 13:25	A Golf platoon patrol — 2 NVA/VC KIA [2/5 ComdC Feb 1968, PDF p. 24]
19 Feb 10:30	Golf (YD766209) sniper fire across the Phu Cam River — 1 USMC KIA [2/5 ComdC Feb 1968, PDF p. 25]
19 Feb 10:55	A Golf platoon patrol advancing on a bridge (YD763208) — 1 USMC KIA, 1 USMC WIA [2/5 ComdC Feb 1968, PDF p. 25]
19 Feb 13:30	Golf bridge security platoon (YD766209) took 12 82mm rounds — 6 USMC WIA [2/5 ComdC Feb 1968, PDF p. 25]
21 Feb 11:34	A Golf squad going to an OP took fire and 57mm rounds from YD75152090 — 2 USMC KIA, 7 USMC WIA [2/5 ComdC Feb 1968, PDF p. 26]
22 Feb 13:51	Golf (YD76122130) took 2 82mm rounds from YD75852047 — 3 USMC WIA [2/5 ComdC Feb 1968, PDF p. 27]
25 Feb 13:07	Golf (YD754188) took 15 82mm rounds from YD751187 and maneuvered through the area — 8 USMC WIA, 3 NVA/VC KIA, 1 POW [2/5 ComdC Feb 1968, PDF p. 29]
26 Feb 10:35	Golf (YD758195) pursued the enemy at YD757194 — 3 USMC WIA, 7 NVA/VC KIA [2/5 ComdC Feb 1968, PDF p. 29]
26 Feb 14:24	Golf (YD754195) took 60mm, 57mm and heavy fire; air strikes controlled by an observer — 1 USMC KIA, 5 USMC WIA, 6 NVA/VC KIA [2/5 ComdC Feb 1968, PDF p. 29]

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 Feb 1968 (Texas Tech University Vietnam Archive item 1201048100).

2. HOW IT WAS COMPILED. Every entry in the research database whose units name Company G (Golf) for February 1968 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 Feb 1968 (Texas Tech University Vietnam Archive item 1201048100)

SECONDARY SOURCES

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