G COMPANY, 2ND BATTALION, 5TH MARINES

AUGUST 1970 — AN HOA COMBAT BASE

Compiled from the 2/5 Command Chronology for August 1970

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	1–31 August 1970
Commander	Capt M. B. Darling (1–31 August)
Higher HQ	2nd Battalion, 5th Marines (LtCol T. M. Hamlin); 5th Marines; 1st Marine Division
Area of Operations	An Hoa Combat Base
Combat Posture	Combat operations, patrols and security (33 combat entries)
Base of Operations	An Hoa Combat Base
Corps Area	I Corps Tactical Zone, Republic of Vietnam

2. Commander's Summary

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

Company G was commanded by Capt M. B. Darling (1–31 August); the battalion by LtCol T. M. Hamlin (1–31 August).

The battalion’s command chronology names Company G in 40 entries this month (33 combat, 4 movement, 1 personnel, 1 medical, 1 civic).

On 2 August 1970: Golf's G33 spotted 3 VC/NVA and fired small arms.

On 2 August 1970: Golf's G12 spotted 4 VC/NVA and fired small arms.

On 2 August 1970: Golf's G2 killed 1 VC/NVA and captured misc.

3. Operations Overview

Operation / Activity	Dates	Description
Operation Arizona	140800H – 181915H June 1967 (2/5 participation; the S-2 lists the operation as 15–19 June); previously listed as 13–26 June	6–7 Aug August: Foxtrot and Golf were lifted into the eastern Arizona in two waves; the command helicopter directed Cobra gunships onto about 10 enemy.

4. Chronology of Company G Activities

Compiled from the checked transcriptions of the 2/5 command chronology for August 1970 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
2 Aug 10:00	Golf's G33 spotted 3 VC/NVA and fired small arms [2/5 ComdC Aug 1970, PDF p. 17]
2 Aug 10:30	Follow-up: Golf's G11 detainee led them to 2 M-16s [2/5 ComdC Aug 1970, PDF p. 17]
2 Aug 10:35	Golf's G11 detained 1 VC/NVA [2/5 ComdC Aug 1970, PDF p. 17]
2 Aug 11:00	Golf's G12 spotted 4 VC/NVA and fired small arms [2/5 ComdC Aug 1970, PDF p. 17]
2 Aug 13:30	Golf's G2 killed 1 VC/NVA and captured misc. gear [2/5 ComdC Aug 1970, PDF p. 17]
2 Aug 19:55	Golf CP received 20-40 rounds of AK fire [2/5 ComdC Aug 1970, PDF p. 17]
3 Aug 05:45	Golf's G32 detained 2 with misc. gear [2/5 ComdC Aug 1970, PDF p. 18]
3 Aug 05:45	Golf's G32 detained 1 Vietnamese female [2/5 ComdC Aug 1970, PDF p. 18]
3 Aug 18:25	Golf's G13 spotted 5 VC/NVA and opened fire with small arms [2/5 ComdC Aug 1970, PDF p. 18]
4 Aug 07:45	Golf's G1 detained 1 Vietnamese [2/5 ComdC Aug 1970, PDF p. 19]
4 Aug 12:45	Golf CP found AK rounds and misc. gear [2/5 ComdC Aug 1970, PDF p. 19]
4 Aug 14:30	Golf's G33 found and destroyed 2 booby traps [2/5 ComdC Aug 1970, PDF p. 19]
4 Aug 15:00	Golf CP found and destroyed 10 spider holes [2/5 ComdC Aug 1970, PDF p. 19]
4 Aug 21:30	Golf received 2 lob bombs or artillery [2/5 ComdC Aug 1970, PDF p. 19]
5 Aug 07:45	Golf's G1 tripped 1 60mm booby trap — 3 E/E [2/5 ComdC Aug 1970, PDF p. 21]
5 Aug 08:35	Golf's G3 spotted 2 VC/NVA and fired small arms [2/5 ComdC Aug 1970, PDF p. 21]
5 Aug 12:00	Golf Company in An Hoa [2/5 ComdC Aug 1970, PDF p. 21]
6 Aug 09:15	Golf's G33 detained 1 male with no ID [2/5 ComdC Aug 1970, PDF p. 22]

Date	Activity / Events
6 Aug 13:00	Golf's G33 found and destroyed 1 500-lb bomb [2/5 ComdC Aug 1970, PDF p. 22]
6 Aug 17:30	Golf's G2 found and destroyed 3 booby traps [2/5 ComdC Aug 1970, PDF p. 22]
6 Aug – 7 Aug	6–7 Aug August: Foxtrot and Golf were lifted into the eastern Arizona in two waves; the command helicopter directed Cobra gunships onto about 10 enemy. (From the monthly “by Company” summary, written from the chronology page images.) (Place named from the chronology summary, 18 Nov 2026.) [2/5 ComdC Aug 1970, PDF p. 6]
8 Aug 16:40	Golf found and destroyed 1 tunnel along a stream [2/5 ComdC Aug 1970, PDF p. 24]
8 Aug	Golf was lifted into three zones in the southern Arizona to search for the launch sites, without result. (From the monthly “by Company” summary, written from the chronology page images.) (Place named from the chronology summary, 18 Nov 2026.) [2/5 ComdC Aug 1970, PDF p. 7]
8 Aug	Golf moved from Not stated to Southern Arizona (three landing zones) by helicopter. Golf was lifted into three zones in the southern Arizona to search for the launch sites, without result. (From the monthly “by Company” summary, written from the chronology page images.) (Place named from the chronology summary, 18 Nov 2026.) [2/5 ComdC Aug 1970, PDF p. 7]
12 Aug 09:00	Golf's G2 tripped 1 M-26 booby trap — 1 P/E [2/5 ComdC Aug 1970, PDF p. 28]
12 Aug 16:15	Golf's G2 and G3 tripped a 155mm booby trap — 5 KIA, 15 WIA (E) and 2 WIA (M) [2/5 ComdC Aug 1970, PDF p. 28]
12 Aug 20:00	Final report on the Golf booby-trap incident [2/5 ComdC Aug 1970, PDF p. 28]
13 Aug 17:35	Message from Golf on strength [2/5 ComdC Aug 1970, PDF p. 29]
14 Aug 00:01	Golf had a trip flare go off outside the perimeter [2/5 ComdC Aug 1970, PDF p. 30]
14 Aug 13:40	Golf's G1 observed two secondary explosions [2/5 ComdC Aug 1970, PDF p. 30]
14 Aug 20:00	Golf's G1 called an evac for an RF, possible appendicitis [2/5 ComdC Aug 1970, PDF p. 30]
15 Aug 11:30	Golf requests to hold a MedCap [2/5 ComdC Aug 1970, PDF p. 31]
16 Aug 12:30	Golf's G1 spotted 2 VC/NVA and called a fire mission [2/5 ComdC Aug 1970, PDF p. 32]
17 Aug 09:20	Golf's G1 observed ARVN wound 1 Vietnamese with small arms [2/5 ComdC Aug 1970, PDF p. 34]
19 Aug 09:30	Golf's G11 road sweep found and destroyed 1 booby trap [2/5 ComdC Aug 1970, PDF p. 36]
19 Aug 11:00	Golf's G1 had 3 RFs wounded from a 105mm booby trap [2/5 ComdC Aug 1970, PDF p. 36]
27 Aug 08:30	Golf's G12 found and destroyed 4 M-79 rounds [2/5 ComdC Aug 1970, PDF p. 45]

Date	Activity / Events
30 Aug 23:50	Golf had movement and fired 1 M-79 round (29 Aug) [2/5 ComdC Aug 1970, PDF p. 48]
31 Aug 08:00	Golf Sector detained 1 Vietnamese male (a PF) [2/5 ComdC Aug 1970, PDF p. 50]
31 Aug 09:35	Golf Sector found and destroyed 7 booby traps [2/5 ComdC Aug 1970, 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 Aug 1970 (Texas Tech University Vietnam Archive item 1201048130).

2. HOW IT WAS COMPILED. Every entry in the research database whose units name Company G (Golf) for August 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.

6. Sources

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

PRIMARY SOURCES

— 2/5 Command Chronology Aug 1970 (Texas Tech University Vietnam Archive item 1201048130)

SECONDARY SOURCES

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