H&S COMPANY, 2ND BATTALION, 5TH MARINES

APRIL 1967 — AN HOA COMBAT BASE

Compiled from the 2/5 Command Chronology for April 1967

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

1. Unit Overview

Unit Designation	Headquarters and Service Company (H&S Co), 2nd Battalion, 5th Marine Regiment, 1st Marine Division; including the battalion command post, the 106mm section and the S-2 and S-5 sections
Reporting Period	1–30 April 1967
Commander	Capt M. A. Litwin Jr. (1–30 April)
Higher HQ	2nd Battalion, 5th Marines (LtCol M. C. Jackson Jr.); 5th Marines; 1st Marine Division
Area of Operations	An Hoa Combat Base, Phu Lac (6) combat outpost, Le Thap (1)
Combat Posture	Combat operations, patrols and security (1 combat entries)
Base of Operations	An Hoa Combat Base
Corps Area	I Corps Tactical Zone, Republic of Vietnam

2. Commander's Summary

H&S Company's entries for April 1967 place it most often at or near An Hoa Combat Base (2 of 5 entries with a named place or grid), and also at Phu Lac (6) combat outpost, Le Thap (1).

H&S Company was commanded by Capt M. A. Litwin Jr. (1–30 April); the battalion by LtCol M. C. Jackson Jr. (1–30 April).

For April 1967 this report lists 9 entries (7 organization, 1 personnel, 1 combat): 0 naming H&S or one of its sections (the battalion command post, the 106mm section, S-2, S-5), and 9 battalion-level entries recorded by the battalion headquarters.

On 7 April 1967: Operation Dixie: Golf (-) and Foxtrot attacked objectives across the river with LVTs and tanks.

On 8 April 1967: The forward command post at AT927527 took sniper fire from AT924523; 81mm fired after a TPS-21 radar fix — 2 VC KIA (prob).

On 9 April 1967: The OP saw VC moving south-west in grid squares 9452 and 9552; 90mm fire — 12 VC KIA (prob).

3. Operations Overview

Operation / Activity	Dates	Description
Operation Dixie	071000H – 101600H April 1967	Operation Dixie: Golf (-) and Foxtrot attacked objectives across the river with LVTs and tanks

4. Chronology of H&S Company Activities

Compiled from the checked transcriptions of the 2/5 command chronology for April 1967 in the hotel25vv research database. Entries naming H&S or its sections and all battalion-level entries are listed; entries naming only a rifle company are left out. Times and grid references are as recorded; each entry ends with its source page.

Date	Activity / Events
April days unstated	Kit Carson scouts worked about 15 days with the rifle companies; engineers rebuilt the An Hoa wire and bunkers. [2/5 ComdC Apr 1967, PDF p. 4]
7 Apr 08:00	Operation Dixie: Golf (-) and Foxtrot attacked objectives across the river with LVTs and tanks [2/5 ComdC Apr 1967, PDF p. 21]
8 Apr 20:15	The forward command post at AT927527 took sniper fire from AT924523; 81mm fired after a TPS-21 radar fix — 2 VC KIA (prob) [2/5 ComdC Apr 1967, PDF p. 22]
9 Apr 10:00	The OP saw VC moving south-west in grid squares 9452 and 9552; 90mm fire — 12 VC KIA (prob) [2/5 ComdC Apr 1967, PDF p. 23]
9 Apr 15:00	Foxtrot and Golf completed the sweep of Objective 1 with 4 USMC WIA from mines and 3 from punji pits [2/5 ComdC Apr 1967, PDF p. 23]
10 Apr 10:15	An LVTP-5 carrying an M-274 loaded with resupply napalm for the flame throwers set off an antitank mine at AT945538; the napalm ignited and the tractor was destroyed — 29 USMC WIA (evac), 1 WIA (non-evac) [2/5 ComdC Apr 1967, PDF p. 24]
10 Apr 12:20	The provisional platoon at AT925528 fired 81mm on 5 VC at AT938520 — 3 VC KIA (prob) [2/5 ComdC Apr 1967, PDF p. 24]
10 Apr 16:00	Operation Dixie ended: 8 VC KIA confirmed, 43 probable, 1 PW; 54 USMC WIA [2/5 ComdC Apr 1967, PDF p. 24]
12 Apr	An Hoa took 6 82mm rounds aimed at the ammunition dump; all fell short; counter-mortar fire silenced the mortar [2/5 ComdC Apr 1967, PDF p. 4]

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 1967 (Texas Tech University Vietnam Archive item 1201048083).

2. HOW IT WAS COMPILED. H&S 2/5 is recorded in the chronology under several names: H&S, H&S (Bn CP), Bn CP, the 106mm section and the S-2 and S-5 sections. All are combined here. Because H&S was the battalion headquarters, every battalion-level entry not tied to a rifle company is included too. Entries are listed in date and time order, each with the page of the chronology it was read from; entries naming only Echo, Foxtrot, Golf or Hotel 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 1967 (Texas Tech University Vietnam Archive item 1201048083)

— 2nd Battalion, 5th Marines Command Chronology for April 1967, as published on hotel25vv.com (Battalion Chronology page): https://hotel25vv.com/wp-content/uploads/2016/06/1967April-2-5CommandChronology.pdf

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