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

SEPTEMBER 1967 — PHU DA (1) (CAP N-3)

Compiled from the 2/5 Command Chronology for September 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 September 1967
Commander	Capt G. F. Dicicco (1–30 September)
Higher HQ	2nd Battalion, 5th Marines (LtCol G. C. McNaughton); 5th Marines; 1st Marine Division
Area of Operations	Phu Da (1) (CAP N-3), Giang Hoa (2), An Hoa Combat Base, Mau Chanh (2) (CAP N-2)
Combat Posture	Combat operations, patrols and security (1 combat entries)
Base of Operations	Phu Da (1) (CAP N-3)
Corps Area	I Corps Tactical Zone, Republic of Vietnam

2. Commander's Summary

H&S Company’s entries for September 1967 place it most often at or near Phu Da (1) (CAP N-3) (5 of 9 entries with a named place or grid), and also at Giang Hoa (2), An Hoa Combat Base, Mau Chanh (2) (CAP N-2).

H&S Company was commanded by Capt G. F. Dicicco (1–30 September); the battalion by LtCol G. C. McNaughton (1–30 September).

For September 1967 this report lists 12 entries (9 organization, 1 personnel, 1 civic, 1 combat): 0 naming H&S or one of its sections (the battalion command post, the 106mm section, S-2, S-5), and 12 battalion-level entries recorded by the battalion headquarters.

On 2 September 1967: CAP N-2 at Mau Chanh (2) (AT886475) took fire from AT890480 and returned it.

On 3 September 1967: CAP N-3 at Phu Da (1) (AT865493) saw 10 VC enter a house near AT859496 and called 105mm — 2 VC KIA (prob).

On 9 September 1967: A CAP N-2 patrol near AT882490 was taken under fire by about 200 rounds; 105mm fired.

3. Operations Overview

Operation / Activity	Dates	Description
Phu Da (1) (CAP N-3) operations	September 1967	No named operation appears in this month's entries for the company; activities are listed in the chronology below.

4. Chronology of H&S Company Activities

Compiled from the checked transcriptions of the 2/5 command chronology for September 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
September days unstated	Kit Carson scouts spent about 20 days in the field; the S-2 built a briefing hut at the CP. [2/5 ComdC Sep 1967, PDF p. 6]
2 Sep	CAP N-2 at Mau Chanh (2) (AT886475) took fire from AT890480 and returned it [2/5 ComdC Sep 1967, PDF p. 17]
3 Sep	CAP N-3 at Phu Da (1) (AT865493) saw 10 VC enter a house near AT859496 and called 105mm — 2 VC KIA (prob) [2/5 ComdC Sep 1967, PDF p. 17]
3 Sep	2/5 units guarded polling places at Phu Da (1), Khuong Trung (2) (AT855396) and Ninh Binh (3) (AT825374) for the election [2/5 ComdC Sep 1967, PDF p. 15]
5 Sep	CAP N-3 saw 2 boats moving down the Song Thu Bon near AT863488 and sank both [2/5 ComdC Sep 1967, PDF p. 17]
9 Sep	A CAP N-2 patrol near AT882490 was taken under fire by about 200 rounds; 105mm fired [2/5 ComdC Sep 1967, PDF p. 18]
13 Sep	CAP N-3 saw 3 VC platoons with weapons on the western bank of the Song Thu Bon (AT875518 to AT868500) and adjusted 120 rounds of 105mm — 23 VC KIA (prob), 5 secondary explosions [2/5 ComdC Sep 1967, PDF p. 18]
18 Sep	An S-2 ambush with Kit Carson scouts caught a VC hamlet chief and a woman — 1 VC KIA, 1 VC captured [2/5 ComdC Sep 1967, PDF p. 19]
22 Sep	CAP N-3 moved to an outpost near AT871502 and watched a VC supply column of about 65 VC with a security force cross into an open paddy near AT875515; 105mm artillery — 18 VC KIA (conf), 25 VC KIA (prob) [2/5 ComdC Sep 1967, PDF p. 19]

Date	Activity / Events
24 Sep	The command group with Golf and Hotel swept near La Thap (1) and Cu Ban (AT9552), 24-25 September; Golf blocked while Hotel swept north-east from An Hoa, then both swept west to Phu Lac (6) [2/5 ComdC Sep 1967, PDF p. 4; 2/5 ComdC Sep 1967, PDF p. 15]
26 Sep	A Vietnamese man showed a Marine patrol two box mines planted the night before near AT858437 [2/5 ComdC Sep 1967, PDF p. 20]
26 Sep	CAP N-2 with 40 PFs blocked near AT882488 — 1 USMC WIA [2/5 ComdC Sep 1967, PDF p. 20]

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 Sep 1967 (Texas Tech University Vietnam Archive item 1201048092).

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 Sep 1967 (Texas Tech University Vietnam Archive item 1201048092)

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

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Document prepared for historical research purposes. For authoritative casualty figures, unit rosters, and engagement details, consult original 2/5 Command Chronology records at NARA RG 127. | H&S Company, 2/5 Marines, September 1967