

Airman Second Class Joseph M. Duffy, 20, of Kansas City, Mo., was the pararescueman on the first pickup. Airman Second Class Peter H. Eyrich, 24, of Freiburg, Germany, was the pararescueman on the second.

For Trochak, it was his third combat rescue in four days. He and Erich were members of the crew that rescued an F-105 Thunderchief pilot three miles off the coast of North Vietnam recently.



#113 - 22 August 1967

RCC Captain McGhan
RCCP Captain McTasney
FE TSgt Tindal
RS A2C Roepstorff

Another alert crew scramble to Happy Valley where PFC Russell W. Naugle was extracted and taken to NSA Hospital for medical attention.



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DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
37th AEROSPACE RESCUE AND RECOVERY SQUADRON (MAC)
APO SAN FRANCISCO 96337

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REPLY TO
ATTN OF: 37 OPS/6104

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SUBJECT: MISSION NARRATIVE REPORT(1-3-128 22 AUG 67) (U)

37C *for*
TO: 3rd AARGp (RRRC) AFO 96307
IN TURN

- 1.(U) This report is submitted in accordance with ARRS 55-1, 3rd AARGp SUP 1, 27 Apr 67.
2. (C) I was scrambled by QUEEN at 0330Z and was airborne from DaNang AB at 0345Z in Jolly Green 26. The survivor was a wounded Marine reported at 2430/11 NM from Channel 37. I was in the area at 0350Z and established contact with CONSTRUCT 14C on 35.5 NM. They advised that there was ground fire in the area to the south 250 meters from their position. OKWOOD 02 flight reported in at 7500' awaiting instructions. OKWOOD 02 preferred a FAC prior to releasing any ordnance. DEADLOCK 30 and 32 were scrambled to aid OKWOOD flight. DEADLOCK arrived at 0432Z, and proceeded to lay in harassment fire on the reported ground fire. I dropped my tip tanks and arrived in a hover at 0442Z. The wounded Marine was brought aboard at 0450Z. Approximately 185' of hoist cable was used. I departed the area and deposited the WIA at NSA Hospital at 0459Z. I arrived back at Channel 37 at 0515Z.
- 3.(C) Weather was 5000 scattered, 15 miles visibility and was not considered a factor.
- 4.(C) The WIA is Russel W. Naugle PFC, *[redacted]*, USMC. Condition was wounds in left forearm and left leg. Previous attention given by ground medics.
- 5.(C) Aircraft Involved:

OKWOOD 02,03
DEADLOCK 30,32
CROWN 4
JOLLY GREEN 26

USN A-4
USMC UH-1E
USAF HC-130/P
USAF HH-3E

- 6.(C) Crew of Jolly Green 26:

CAPT STANLEY A. MCGHAN
CAPT JOHN B McTASNEY
TSGT JOHNNY TINDAL JR
A2C MARTINE E. ROEPSTORF

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STANLEY A. MCGHAN, CAPT, USAF
Rescue Crew Commander

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37ARRS History, July - September 1967

(26) 1-3-25, 20 Aug 67. Jolly Green 28, while on alert at Da Nang AB, was scrambled to a position ten nautical miles southwest of Da Nang AB. While enroute to recover the two wounded Marines, their status was changed to killed in action. The deceased were recovered and returned to Charlie Medical Center, Da Nang AB.

(27) 1-3-26, 21 Aug 67. Jolly Green 25 was directed on a medical evacuation of seven wounded Marines eleven nautical miles Southeast of Da Nang AB in support of Pedro. Two USMC UH-1E's aided in suppressing ground fire as the personnel were recovered and taken to the NSA.

(28) 1-3-27, 21 Aug 67. Later, Jolly Green 25 was scrambled on a medical evacuation of one wounded Marine, eleven nautical miles Southeast of Da Nang AB. He was recovered and taken to NSA.

(29) 1-3-128, 22 Aug 67. Jolly Green 26 scrambled from Da Nang AB alert on a wounded Marine, eleven nautical miles Southwest of Da Nang. Ground fire was suppressed by USMC UH-1E and the recovery was accomplished. PFC Russel W. Naugle, 2336710, was taken to NSA.

(30) 2-3-61, 23 Aug 67. Jolly Green 10 and 26 were scrambled from Da Nang AB, on a downed F-105 pilot who was 10 nautical miles south of Dong Hoi, NVN. Jolly Green 27 and 15 had also scrambled from Nakhon Phanom RTAFB, Thailand. Jolly Green 27 received heavy ground fire attempting the pickup and was forced to withdraw because of battle damage. Air Force A-1E's flying escort called in other fighters to help sterilize the area. Then Sandy 7 (A-1E) laid a smoke screen for the pickup. Jolly Green 10 went in for the pickup and had to lower the pararescueman on the hoist to rescue the survivor who had a fractured back. The survivor was 1Lt M. A. Silva, 397th Ftr Sq, Ubon RTAFB, Thailand.

(31) 1-3-129, 24 Aug 67. Jolly Green 07 was scrambled on the medical evacuation of one Marine, twelve nautical miles Southwest of Da Nang AB. L/Cpl Ortha Lee Modger, 2306603, was recovered and taken to NSA where he was reported dead on arrival.

(32) 1-3-131, 26 Aug 67. Jolly Green 26 and 28 were scrambled from Quang Tri on two pilots from a downed Air Force F-100, just north of the DMZ. Navy A-1E's provided escort duty. Because of heavy enemy defenses, the pilot didn't use any visual signals. However, he was able to lead Jolly Green 28 to his position by giving directions over his survival radio. Jolly Green 28 received ground

6. Mission 12-38-18, 22 Aug 67. Mission Narrative.

At 1500L, 22 Aug 67, Det 12, 38ARRS received a call from the base command post relaying a message from Maj Jennings, of DASC Alpha, requesting an immediate Med-Evac of an injured Korean infantryman. Major Jennings advised that the dust-off aircraft available did not have hoist capability and that the injured man was in dense jungle necessitating a hoist pickup. Det 12, 38ARRS contacted JSANCO and received permission to launch recovery aircraft. Pedro 98 and 99 were airborne at 1530L. Pedro 99 with the primary alert crew was Low Bird and Pedro 98 with the secondary alert crew was High Bird. Enroute to the coordinates, BP878736, Pedro 99 contacted ragged Scupper 85, a FAC in the vicinity and requested his assistance in locating the exact position of the injured man. The FAC requested that we pick up an english speaking Korean liaison man at the Korean base camp who could coordinate with the Koreans on the ground via FM radio. Pedro 99 directed Pedro 98 to pick up the liaison man while Pedro 99 continued on to the coordinates. Pedro 99 arrived at the coordinates and located Ragged Scupper 90A, another FAC, and requested him to maintain a watch for yellow smoke, the signal from the Korean that they had the rescue helicopter in sight. Immediately thereafter, Pedro 98 arrived with the Korean speaking liaison personnel who began calling the patrol on the ground. In a few minutes, Ragged Scupper 90A announced that he had yellow smoke in sight and directed the helicopters into position to see it. The smoke was in an area

of tall trees on the side of a mountain. As Pedro 99 made an approach to the position, Pedro 98 circled overhead to provide backup coverage and Ragged Scupper 90A maintained FM radio contact in order to supply air cover if needed. While Pedro 99 hovered above the trees, the mountain litter was lowered to the Koreans waiting below. Since the injured man was located below, the jungle canopy, lowering the mountain litter was a tedious operation and required twenty minutes of hovering to complete. With the injured man aboard the helicopter, Pedro 99 evacuated him to the Korean hospital 5 miles north of Nha Trang and returned to Nha Trang. Meanwhile Pedro 98 returned the liaison personnel to the Korean Base Camp and then returned to Nah Trang. This was a combat save.

7. Mission 12-38-19, 27 Aug 67. Mission Narrative.

Det 12, 38ARRS was notified by port call radar that an airman had severely cut his foot and was in need of immediate medical attention. Pedro 98 scrambled to the site and evacuated the man to the 8th Field Hospital for treatment. This was a non-combat medevac. Not a save.

8. Mission 12-38-20, 9 Sep 67. Mission Narrative.

Port call radar called at 1630L requesting immediate medical evac of airman with severe head injury. Pedro 98 took off at 1635L, made pick-up at Hon Tre Island and returned patient to 8th Field Hospital. Patient had multiple lacerations and possible concussion, this was a non-combat medical evac, not a save.