

DET 1, 40th ARRS CY 4/69

Jolly Green 17 (Low)

AC Capt John H. Fette*
CP Capt Lawrence A. Marino*
FE Sgt Robert J.P. Lafranboise*
RS Sgt Leland H. Sorensen

Jolly Green 19 (High)

AC Capt Leonard D. Fialko
CP Capt John J. Livengood +
FE TSgt Leroy M. Wright
RS Sgt Douglas L. Horka
FE TSgt Claude C. Franks

(S) (Gp 3) A first light effort started the day on 12 Nov. Owl 07 had gone down during the night in a heavily defended area in eastern Laos. Two HH-53s from the 40th ARRS at Udorn were launched as the primary recovery aircraft with two of our HH-3Es launched as airborne back-up. An HH-53 made a successful pick up of the first pilot on Owl 07, but was driven off by hostile fire before he could locate the second pilot. Our back-up HH-3E's were then called on the scene and Jolly Green 36 started to go in for the pick up. On the way in Jolly Green 36 started receiving hostile ground fire and suffered hits. The number one engine failed and the utility hydraulic system failed rendering his hoist inoperative. Jolly Green 36 dumped fuel to reduce his weight and departed the area. Prior to this Jolly Green 09 and 37 were launched as airborne back-up. They immediately proceeded to the area and were holding in a secure area near by when Jolly Green 36 aborted his attempt. The Sandys put more ordnance in and Jolly Green 09 went in for the pick up. Although he received hostile ground fire, he was able to effect the rescue of Owl 07 second pilot, 1Lt James G. Hayler, [REDACTED], 497th TFS, and departed the area. One Sandy aircraft crashed, but it was apparent that there was no possibility of a survivor, so all SAR forces were returned to base.

Jolly Green 09 (Low)

AC Lt Col Joe Lyle Jr.
CP Capt John J. Livengood+
FE TSgt Daryl I. Durant
RS MSgt Paul L. Jenkins
RS MSgt Lewis J. Roberts*

Jolly Green 37 (High)

AC Capt Phillip O. Pfanschmidt
CP Capt Marshall B. Nash
FE Sgt Brian W. Murray
RS TSgt Lehman L. Booher

(C) On 22 Nov our control center was advised that Spunk 01 had received serious battle damage and would try to recover at our base. Spunk 01 had a fire on board just as he arrived over our base and both pilots ejected. The aircraft crashed one half mile south of the base and both parachutes were seen over head drifting south westward. Jolly Green 17 and 09 launched immediately. They jettisoned fuel while waiting for the parachutes to descend to the ground. The decision was made between Jolly Green 17 and 09 for Jolly Green 17 to pick up one pilot, Capt Lynn P. Wright, [REDACTED], and for Jolly Green 09 to pick up the other, 1Lt Frederick D. Paige, [REDACTED]. Both were from the 14TFW. They were picked up without further incident.

Jolly Green 17 (Low)

AC Capt Marshall B. Nash
CP Maj Charles W. Bond*
FE Sgt Joseph Vai*
RS SSgt Roy D. Bloebaum
RS Sgt Charles D. Morrow

Jolly Green 09 (High)

AC Maj Emmet E. Hatch Jr.*
CP Maj Edward B. Robbins
FE SSgt Robert E. Hunt
RS Sgt Richard G. Beasley

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CONTINUATION: KING 2

AIRCRAFT: SPUNK 01, RFAC

TO: 89

FROM: 89

Spunk 01, 117/76/89, called Mayday. He was losing engine failure and contemplating ejection. Invert, agency, acknowledged and gave vectors to Ch 89. Ch 89 proceeded on intercept course, requested Jack Adams from Ch 89.

Spunk 01, 130/48/89, maintaining 15,000 feet with one engine in afterburner.

Trail 26 flight, 2 FL, joined with Spunk 01 and reported hole in his underside near the wheel well.

Ch 89/17 airborne from Ch 89, King 2 intercepts Spunk 01.

Spunk 01 over Ch 89 circling for approach. Trail 26 "leaking near nozzle" and then "Spunk 01 you are on trail out." Both crewmembers ejected safely. The air- one kilometer south of the runway.

Crewmembers on the ground, two kilometers south west immediately picked up by JG 09 and JG 17, one in each crewmembers were in good condition and returned to Ch 89

was required.

areas.

members:

DAVIS	RO	SSG BORBOA
STIMPSON	FE	MSG BERGER
WATLEY	FE	MSG DUNCAN
EDMAN	LM	TSG CORNELL

JR., Major, USAF
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8. (C) Further questioning of the PJ on JG 27 indicated he believed he saw a second chute 1/2 - 1/4 mile south-southwest of Alpha's position. Sandy 5 replied that sighting appeared to be a cannister of some type. The PJ also reported that Alpha's two radios and his survival gear were left on the ground.

9. (U) Air refueling for JG 71 - 76 was completed by King 3.

10. (U) Problem Areas: Poor radio contact with Alpha and no contact or sighting of Bravo.

11. (U) SAR Forces Used:

Nail 55	Jolly Green 15 & 27
Spad 11 & 12	Covey 264
Spad 03 & 04	Nail 47
Sandies 05 & 06	Spad 5 & 6
Sandies 07 & 08	

12. (U) SAR Forces Available but not used:

Falcon 18	2/F-100	Decor	4/F-4
Litter 37	2/F-100	Litter 41	2/F-100
Manual 41	4/F-4	Champion 411	3/A-7
Jolly Green 35 & 31		Jolly Green 71 & 76	
Peanuts 48, 49, 50, 51			

13. (U) King 6 Crewmembers:

AMC MAJ SMITH	RO SGT CASTLE
AC CPT VANKESTEREN	FE SGT BROWN
CP LTC PREWETT	FE SGT SALAZAR
N CPT CORLEY	LM SGT GATELY
N MAJ HENDRICKS	

Charles J. Smith Jr.
CHARLES J. SMITH, JR., Major, USAF
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