

37 ARRSQ HISTORY, 1 JULY - 30 SEPTEMBER 1971

MISSION NARRATIVES

This quarter the unit had five numbered missions.

Mission #7-3-006, 5 Jul 71: The unit was notified of a possible MED EVAC just after a rocket attack. In spite of the possibility of another attack and the fact that the base lighting was blacked out, Pedro 61 took off from the alert pad and proceeded to the 366 USAF Dispensary pad. Two critically injured survivors were loaded and Pedro 61 was flown to the 95th Medical Evacuation Hospital pad. After the survivors were offloaded by hospital personnel, Pedro 61 returned to the alert revetment and refueled for a standby status. Two combat saves were credited.

Mission #7-3-007, 7 Aug 71: The unit was alerted by the crash net that a man was sighted in a lift raft near Marble Mountain. After takeoff, Marble Tower was contacted and directed Pedro 60 to the vicinity of the survivor. The forest penetrator was lowered and the survivor grabbed the device. At this time he was brought on board. The medic diagnosed the man to be in fair condition, suffering from exhaustion and exposure. The survivor was delivered to Landing Zone 60A, where he was met by attendants. Pedro 60 then returned to Da Nang Airfield.

Mission # A-3-30, 3 Sep 71: The alert crew diverted from a local flight to the 366 USAF Dispensary. After landing at the Dispensary pad, the survivor, a civilian employee of Air America, was involved in a motorcycle/truck accident. He had multiple fractures, arterial bleeding, and required immediate surgery to prevent the loss of his leg or life.