

MONTHLY REPORT OF SCOUT DOG OPERATIONS

RCS: AVHGC-7 DATE 30 May 69

THRU: Commanding Officer 198th Inf Bde ATN: S-3 APO 96219	TO: Commanding General HQ USARV ATTN: AVHGC-OS APO 96375	FROM: Commanding Officer 57th Inf Plt (Sct Dog) 198th Inf Bde APO 96219
--	---	---

1. MONTH MAY	2. SDT AVAL 20	3. SDT OP 7	4. AUTH STR PERS 28 DOG 28	5. ACTUAL STR: PERS 27 DOG 21
-----------------	-------------------	----------------	-------------------------------	----------------------------------

6. HANDLER KIA <u>1</u> ✓ WIA _____ HOSP _____ LIM DY _____ TNG _____ NO DOG _____ REPL RQR _____	7. DOG KIA <u>1</u> ✓ WIA _____ SICK _____ BAD _____ TNG _____ NO HANDLER _____ REPL RQR _____
--	---

8. MISSIONS

SEARCH <u>49</u> ✓	AMBUSH <u>87</u> ✓	RECON <u>16</u> ✓	OUTPOST <u>1</u> ✓	PERI PTL <u>12</u> ✓
ROAD CLEARING <u>5</u> ✓		OTHER Base defense: <u>17</u> ✓ Kill Sq: <u>1</u> ✓ Rat Patrol: <u>14</u> ✓ CA: <u>2</u> ✓		TOTAL <u>232</u>

9. SCOUT DOG TEAM SUPPORT DAYS 207

10. SCOUT DOG ALERTS:

a. Warning of enemy ambush 2 ✓, occupied base camp _____, occupied bunker _____, cave _____, sniper _____, tunnel 1 ✓, other _____.

b. Warning of enemy booby traps 2 ✓, caches _____, mines 1 ✓, unoccupied base camp _____, unoccupied bunker 4 ✓, unoccupied cave _____, unoccupied tunnel 1 ✓, other _____. Alert on Rocket position.

c. Warning of enemy movement toward friendly ambush _____, friendly outpost _____, other _____.

11. DIRECT RESULT OF SCOUT DOG TEAM ALERT: EN KIA 7 ✓ PW 2 ✓ WPNS 2 ✓
 Detainees: 2 ✓. SUPPLIES 2,000 lbs rice

12. REMARKS OF PLATOON COMMANDER:

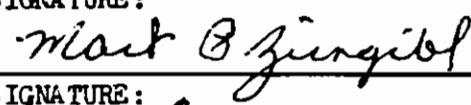
PFC Michael Munch and scout dog Smokey, 36MO, were KIA on 13 May 1969 at 1055 hours while working with B 1/52 on a Search and Destroy mission. Due to heavy friendly casualties and intense enemy small arms and automatic weapons fire, the enemy was able to carry off the body of scout dog Smokey and PFC Munch's weapon and field equipment.

A possible explanation for scout dog Smokey's lack of prior warning was the extreme heat that day. However, PFC Munch apparently deemed his dog capable of working and continued to work the point position.

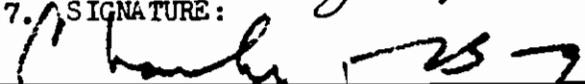
Scout dog Shilo, M099, died of heat stroke on 13 May 1969 at approximately 1100 hours while working with C 1/52 on a Search and Destroy mission.

13. REMARKS OF REVIEWING OFFICER:

14. NAME AND GRADE PLATOON COMMANDER:
 MARK P WINGEN, 2LT, IN, C1DG

15. SIGNATURE:


16. NAME AND GRADE OF REVIEWING OFFICER:
 CHARLES T BORG, MAJ, IN, S-3

17. SIGNATURE:


21-2 814

12 Jun 69 lia