Hippos (Sussita) 2016 – 17th Season Daily Log and Drawing

Date: 19 July 2016_____ Area: NIP Manager: Schuler

Squares	DO45	DN46	DR45		
Loci	2155	2155			
Baskets	3471	none	none		
Walls	541, 2153, 2156				
Floors					

1. Continued work in DN46 (west)

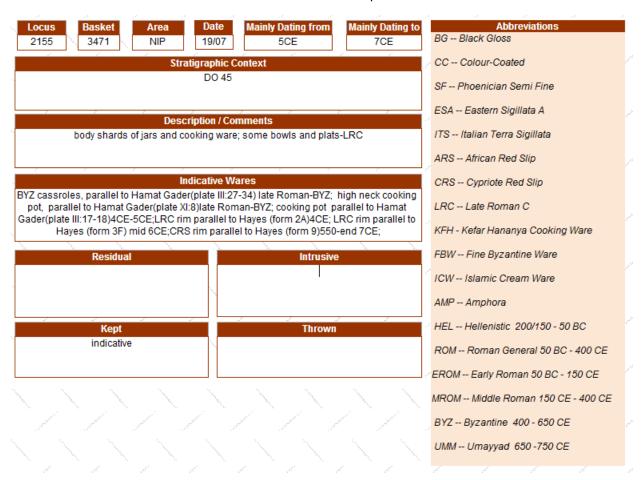
- a. Goal = discover form and function of building north of the NEC
- b. Basket = none
- c. Soil = tractor fill
- d. Comments
 - i. Followed the exterior of W2153 to the north.
 - ii. We are seeking the northwest corner of the North Building.

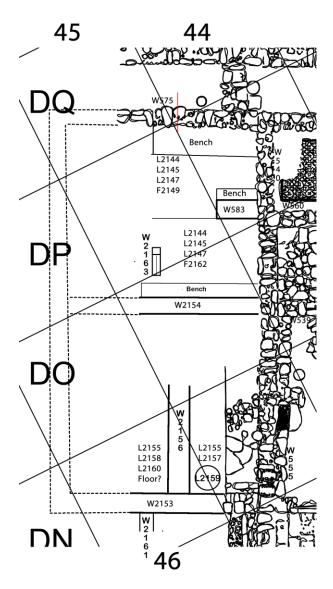
2. Continued work on the middle area of DO45

- a. Goal = discover form and function of building north of the NEC
- b. Basket = 3471
- c. Starting elevation = 131.10
- d. Ending elevation = 130.40
- e. Soil = destruction fill

f. Comments

- i. Mostly destruction fill
- ii. Removed a short remaining section of floating W541.
- iii. Some pottery (mixed)
- iv. One small nail of 7 cm was recovered (#857).
- v. Minimal indication of W2156 at this point.





3. Reopened DR45

a. Goal = to clean garden for photography and to expose more of the tank.

b. Comments

- i. Exposed a roughly 1 x 1 m section of the top of the previously identified tank.
- ii. The rim of the tank is topped by reused marble slabs. The slabs are some 20 cm wide on the west, 24 cm on the south and 13 cm wide on the east.
- iii. Most of the slabs are plain white
- iv. The central slab on the south rim has a three-leafed plant (?) inscribed into it with a seed/bulb under the plant
- v. Two 24 cm slabs on the west rim are decorated.

- 1. One has three ficus leaves with a border on each side alternating between pointed ovoids and two triangles top to top (hourglass).
- 2. The other has a central vine with a border of nodules on either side.