Hippos (Sussita) Excavations 2003 – 4th Season Daily Log + Drawing

Date: __17 July 2003__ Area: __NEC____ Manager: __Schuler_____

Squares	D3	B3	B3	B3	
Loci	L501	W514	L527	L528	
Baskets	PC1848	PC1849	PC1850	PC1851	
Walls	W510, W511, W514				
Floors	F516				

- Continued work in Square B3
 - \circ Starting elevation = 130.93
 - \circ Ending elevation = 130.83
 - Soil in L528 is redder than others cited and compacted. It underlays the plaster base of F516
 - o List of AI items . . .
 - 065 Inscription on marble slab (discussed below)

Basket 1849	Area NEC	Locus W514	So Bi	quare 3	Opening elevation 130.932
Closing Elevatio 130.832	n .	Weight 1	Date 17-J	Manager ul-03 Schuler	<i>Loci Type</i> Byzantine wall
Yes Ceramic			Plaster	No Human Bo	ones
Yes Ceramic Yes Tessera	non-potter	-	Architectural Item	No <i>Iron</i> No <i>Lead</i>	
No Glass			Inscription	No Inscription	
Remarks			moonpaon		
fill in wall, not sea	led				
FW Bowl/Plate B	Base FW I	Bowl/Plate	Rim FW Bowl/Pla	te Handle FW Bow	<i>I/Plate Body Shard</i> 0
FW Juglet Base 0	FW Jugl	et Rim F 0	FW Juglet Handle 0	FW Juglet Body Sha	ard CCW Pot Base 0
CCW Pot Rim	CCW Pot Ha	andle CC	W Body Shard CC 27	W Casserole Base C	CW Casserole Rim 0
CCW Casserole	Handle CO	CW Bowl Ba	nse CCW Bowl Rin 0	n CCW Bowl Handle 0	e CCW Lid Base 0
CCW Lid Rim	CCW Lid Ha	andle OC	W Jar Base OCW 1	Jar Rim OCW Jar Ha	ndle OCW Jar Body Shard 17
OCW Other Base 1	e OCW Of	her Rim 0	OCW Other Handle	OCW Other Body S	hard Lamp Base 0
Lamp Rim La	mp Handle 0	Lamp Bo	dy Shard 0		
<i>Analysis</i> FW BP rim is Ron	nan Galilear	Bowl (4-5c	latest)		
glass fragment					
marble fragme nt					

plaster fragments: green and red

2 roof tile (!!)

Tesserae:

1 cm -- 32 white, 4 red, 12 black; 6 blocks of white; 1 block of black and white

Basket Area 1850 NEC	Locus L527	S B	quare 3	Opening elevation 130.932
Closing Elevation	Weight 0.06	Dat		Loci Type sealed under wall
Yes Ceramic No Ceramic non-p	Yes	Plaster Architectural Item	No Human Bo No Iron	
Yes Tessera	No	Lamp	No Lead	
No Glass Remarks	No	Inscription	No Inscription	
FW Bowl/Plate Base 0	0	()	0
FW Juglet Base FW	J uglet Rim I 0	FW Juglet Handle 0	FW Juglet Body Sha 0	rd CCW Pot Base 0
CCW Pot Rim CCW P	Pot Handle CC	W Body Shard CC	W Casserole Base CO	CW Casserole Rim 0
CCW Casserole Handl	e CCW Bowl Ba	ase CCW Bowl Rin 0	n CCW Bowl Handle 0	e CCW Lid Base 0
CCW Lid Rim CCW L	.id Handle OC	W Jar Base OCW	Jar Rim OCW Jar Ha 0 0	ndle OCW Jar Body Shard 1
OCW Other Base OC	W Other Rim	OCW Other Handle	OCW Other Body S	hard Lamp Base
Lamp Rim Lamp Ha	ndle Lamp Bo	dy Shard	Ŭ	U U
Analysis tesserae:		-		

1cm -- 4 white, 1 black

very small plaster fragments

Square Basket Area Locus **Opening elevation** 1851 NEC L528 В3 130.932 **Closing Elevation** Weight Date Manager Loci Type 130.832 17-Jul-03 Schuler sealed under floor 0.005 Yes Ceramic No Human Bones No Plaster No Ceramic non-pottery Yes Architectural Item No *Iron* No Lead No Tessera No Lamp No Glass Yes Inscription Yes Inscription Remarks FW Bowl/Plate Base FW Bowl/Plate Rim FW Bowl/Plate Handle FW Bowl/Plate Body Shard 0 0 0 0 FW Juglet Base FW Juglet Rim FW Juglet Handle FW Juglet Body Shard **CCW Pot Base** 0 0 0 0 0 CCW Pot Handle CCW Body Shard CCW Casserole Base CCW Casserole Rim CCW Pot Rim 0 0 0 CCW Casserole Handle CCW Bowl Base CCW Bowl Rim CCW Bowl Handle CCW Lid Base 0 0 0 0 0 CCW Lid Handle OCW Jar Base CCW Lid Rim OCW Jar Rim OCW Jar Handle OCW Jar Body Shard 0 0 0 0 **OCW Other Base** OCW Other Rim OCW Other Handle OCW Other Body Shard Lamp Base 0 0 0 0 0 Lamp Handle Lamp Body Shard Lamp Rim 0 0 0 Analysis soil free of shards!!

- Removed W514 west of the tomb. The stone wall was set on the floor. The chancel screen channel and W514 were plastered together and over (chunks of plaster filled the channel and adhered to the stones of the wall)
- A marble facing for the sarcophagus on the west side was damaged and tilted away. Under the plaster covering it, a cross inscription was revealed. As with the cross inscription on the north face, the cross is "teutonic" in form, each of the arms flaring to points. Small disks or dots are inscribed just beyond each point.
- Some loose plaster on the NW corner of the sarcophagus was removed revealing a sarcophagus with a lid and box
 - Measurements
 - Cover is 23 cm thick
- Continued work on square D3
 - Starting elevation = 131.13
 - Ending elevation = 130.95
 - The soil is Horizon B: grayish brown (10YR 5/2) dry, very stony sandy loam, dark grayish brown (10YR 4/2) moist; very weak, coarse subangular blocky structure; 10 percent pebbles, 15 percent cobbles, 35 percent stones; irregular boundary.
 - List of architectural items
 - Large basalt doorjamb (from west entrance to south aisle)

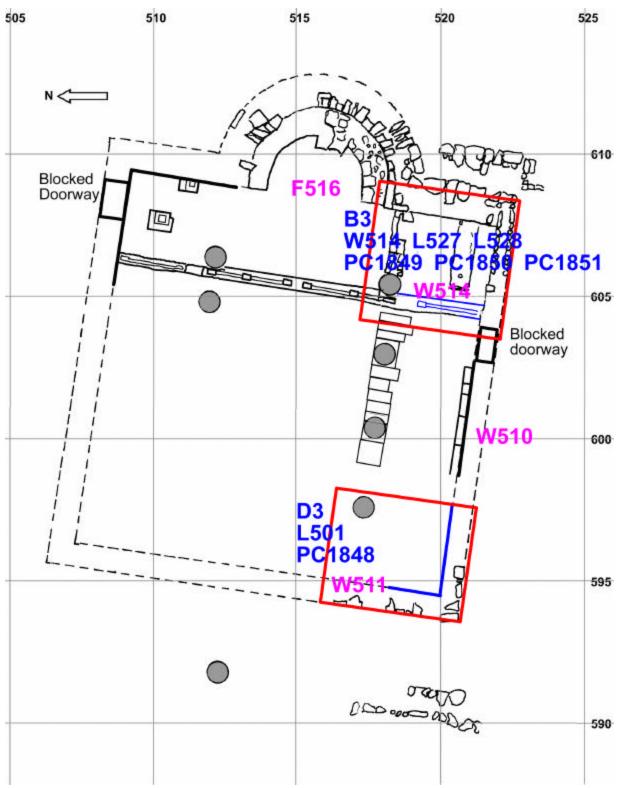
Basket 1848	Area NEC	Locus L501		Square D3			Opening el evation 131.132
Closing Eleva 130.952	tion	Weight 1.45		Date 17-Jul-03		Manager Schuler	Loci Type destruction fill
Yes Ceran			Plaster			Human Bones	
No Ceran	nic non-pott	ery Yes	Architectural	Item	NO	Iron	
Yes Tesse	ra	No	Lamp		No	Lead	
No Glass		No	Inscription		No	Inscription	
Remarks							
FW Bowl/Plate	e Base FV	V Bowl/Plate	Rim FW Bov	vl/Plate Ha ı 0	ndle	FW Bowl/Pla	ate Body Shard
FW Juglet Bas	e FW Ju	glet Rim F	W Juglet Hand 0	dle FW .	Jugle	et Body Shard	CCW Pot Base 0
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CCW Cassero	le Handle	CCW Bowl Ba	se CCW Bou 0	wl Rim CC	CW E	Bowl Handle	CCW Lid Base 0
CCW Lid Rim	CCW Lid	Handle OC	W Jar Base	OCW Jar R	Rim (OCW Jar Handl	e OCW Jar Body Shard
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OCW Other Base OCW Other Rim OCW Other Handle
                                                     OCW Other Body Shard Lamp Base
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                         0
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Lamp Rim
            Lamp Handle Lamp Body Shard
                  0
     0
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Analysis
FW BP Rims are Late Roman C Form 10
1 roof tile fragment
tesserae:
1 cm -- 17 white, 2 red
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- Removed destruction fill.
- o Identified a clear interior corner (sw) between W510 and W511.
- o Basalt capital (style) resting on stylobate

Observations

• Opening of the tomb will be accomplished easily with pry bars and blocks



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