

# Hippos (Sussita) Excavations 2004 – 5th Season Daily Log + Drawing

Date: 7 Sept Area: NEC Manager: Schuler

Squares	B2a	C1	C2		
Loci	L537	L501	L501		
Baskets	1891	1892	1893		
Walls	W521				
Floors					

- Continued work in Square B2a
  - Starting elevation = work inside the limestone box
  - List of architectural items -- none
  - Work continues slowly removing dirt from around the skeleton.
  - Small animal bones (rodents?) were found clustered in several spots (near the foot and head)
  - At about midpoint, two glass fragments were recovered, clear with greenish ribbing, curvature suggests a diameter of about 4.5cm, thickness is 1.1-1.3mm
  
- Continued work in Square C2 (western half)
  - Starting elevation = 131.0
  - Ending elevation = 130.66
  - Soil is Horizon B
  - List of architectural items
    - 084 -- Fragment of chancel screen with vine pattern
  - Did contact one section of mosaic tile, seemingly all white, displaying a circular pattern in one section. Elevation 130.63. Re-covered.
  
- Continued work in Square C1
  - Starting elevation = 130.97
  - Ending elevation = 130.76
  - Soil is Horizon B
  - List of architectural items
    - 075 – limestone doorjamb
    - 076 – limestone doorjamb with 2 pivots

- 077 – limestone doorjamb with one pivot
  - 078 – basalt pilaster base
  - 079 – corbel 54x82x25, plaster to 30cm, curve to 36cm
  - 080 – corbel 38x27x81, plaster to 33cm, curve to 40cm
  - 081 – corbel 38x25x80, plaster to 34cm
  - 082 – corbel with broken edge 42x26x74cm, plaster to 27
  - 083a/b – door lintel with two pivot (broken)
- Bench continues to the east, with plaster patches on its upper surface
  - As fallen corbels were removed, two additional corbels were revealed that were tipped out from the wall. One of the corbels removed had plaster on its upper face. Therefore, the corbels were NOT used to hold up the roof. Rather, they were in secondary use in the north wall (W521).

#### Observations

Width of the aisle and the lack of any double-sided corbels (for use above the arches of the colonnade) reinforces the hypothesis that the corbels were in secondary use.

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**Basket Field Card****Hippos NEC 2004****Basket # 1891**

Locus: 537

Square: B2a

Opening elevation:

Closing elevation:

Weight: 0

Date: 7-Sep-04

Manager: Schuler

Loci type: burial

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Ceramic             | <input type="checkbox"/> | Soil Sample  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Human Bones |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | Ceramic non-Pottery | <input type="checkbox"/> | Bulla        | <input type="checkbox"/>            | Copper      |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Tesserae            | <input type="checkbox"/> | Basalt       | <input type="checkbox"/>            | Silver      |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Glass               | <input type="checkbox"/> | Lithic       | <input type="checkbox"/>            | Iron        |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Plaster/Fresco      | <input type="checkbox"/> | Coil/organic | <input type="checkbox"/>            | Bronze      |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | Architectural Item  | <input type="checkbox"/> | Inscription  | <input type="checkbox"/>            | Lead        |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | Coin                | <input type="checkbox"/> | Flint        |                                     |             |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | Lamp                | <input type="checkbox"/> | Worked Bone  |                                     |             |

**Remarks:**

Glass: At about midpoint of the burial, two glass fragments were recovered, clear with greenish ribbing, curvature suggests a diameter of about 4.5cm, thickness is 1.1-1.3mm

Tesserae: 1 black

Plaster fragments: 6, one with yellow, one with red

**Basket Analysis**

	Fine Wares		Course Cooking Wares				Other Coarse Wares		Lamps
	Bowl/Plate	Juglet	Pot	Casserole	Bowl	Lid	Jar	Other	
Base									
Rim									
Handle									
Body Shard				1					

**Remarks:**

**Basket Field Card****Hippos NEC 2004****Basket # 1892**

Locus: 501  
 Opening elevation: 131.0  
 Weight: 1.32 kg  
 Manager: Schuler

Square: C1  
 Closing elevation: 130.66  
 Date: 7-Sep-04  
 Loci type: Destruction Fill

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|---|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ceramic             | <input type="checkbox"/> Soil Sample  | <input type="checkbox"/> Human Bones |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ceramic non-Pottery | <input type="checkbox"/> Bulla        | <input type="checkbox"/> Copper      |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tesserae            | <input type="checkbox"/> Basalt       | <input type="checkbox"/> Silver      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Glass                          | <input type="checkbox"/> Lithic       | <input type="checkbox"/> Iron        |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Plaster/Fresco      | <input type="checkbox"/> Coil/organic | <input type="checkbox"/> Bronze      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Architectural Item             | <input type="checkbox"/> Inscription  | <input type="checkbox"/> Lead        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Coin                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Flint        |                                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lamp                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Worked Bone  |                                      |

**Remarks:**

bone: 2 fragments animal  
 plaster: fragment with red and yellow paint  
 3 roof tiles  
 tesserae: 50 white, 9 black, 2 red

**Basket Analysis**

	Fine Wares		Course Cooking Wares				Other Coarse Wares		Lamps
	Bowl/Plate	Juglet	Pot	Casserole	Bowl	Lid	Jar	Other	
Base	1								
Rim	1		2			1	1		
Handle			2					1	
Body Shard	0		34				29		

**Remarks:**

fineware plate base stamped with running lion figures  
 fineware rim 7.5% of 12.5cm  
 pot rim 6% of 7.5cm  
 pot rim 25% of 4.5cm  
 lid rim 2% of 15cm  
 jar rim 43% of 1 cm

**Basket Field Card****Hippos NEC 2004****Basket # 1893**

Locus: 501  
 Opening elevation: 130.97  
 Weight: 3.14kg  
 Manager: Schuler

Square: C2  
 Closing elevation: 130.76  
 Date: 7-Sep-04  
 Loci type: Destruction Fill

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|--|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ceramic  | <input type="checkbox"/> Soil Sample  | <input type="checkbox"/> Human Bones |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ceramic non-Pottery | <input type="checkbox"/> Bulla        | <input type="checkbox"/> Copper      |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tesserae | <input type="checkbox"/> Basalt       | <input type="checkbox"/> Silver      |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Coin                | <input type="checkbox"/> Flint        |                                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lamp                | <input type="checkbox"/> Worked Bone  |                                      |

**Remarks:**

Glass: 1 green fragment

Bone: 2 animal

Tesserae: 641 white, 101 black, 36 red, 2 yellow

Clusters: 4 of 2 white each, 1 of 2 black

**Basket Analysis**

	Fine Wares		Course Cooking Wares				Other Coarse Wares		Lamps
	Bowl/Plate	Juglet	Pot	Casserole	Bowl	Lid	Jar	Other	
Base									
Rim									1
Handle									
Body Shard			50				58		

**Remarks:**

Lamp is squarish

Daily Drawing

