

Hippos (Sussita) 2004 –5th Season

Locus Card

Locus no. L536

Archaeological Context

Locus status: open

Locus Type: destruction fill

Field Manager: Schuler

Area: Northeast Church

Opening Date: 27 July 03

Opening Height: 131.68

Closing Date:

Closing Height:

Locus Location

General Description of Borders:

North lateral chamber

Loci

Below	Above	North	South	West	East	Identical
	L547	W540	W521	W511	W539	
		W541				

	Northing	Easting
Northeast	605.99	507.62
Southwest	597.95	508.97

General Description and Soil Analysis

L536 is mostly Horizon A -- dark grayish brown (10YR 4/2) dry, very stony sandy loam, very dark brown (10YR 2/2) moist; weak fine granular structure; friable; 10 percent pebbles, 15 percent cobbles, 30 percent stones; clear wavy boundary. At 10-15 cm, it changes to 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.

Chronology of Excavation

- 13 Sept 04: Resumed work in Square C0 from last year

- Starting elevation = 131.64
- Ending elevation = 131.18
- Soil is Horizon A/B
- Brought the section of the square south of W540 and west of W539 to the level of the trench dug in a previous season.
- Fill consisted of typical debris and portions of tumbled down walls.
- 14 Sept 04: Continued work in Square C0
 - Starting elevation = 131.18
 - Ending elevation = 130.82
 - Soil is Horizon B changing to C
 - List of architectural items
 - An addition column base is visible (44cm in diameter) 0.56m from the west balk and 2.58m from W521.
 - N1910 – short nail with missing tip (found in bone bag)
 - Along with tumble and destruction fill, there seems to be some intentional placement of blocks (primitive) around the pillar in the SW corner of the excavated section.
 - Shards from many cooking pots were also recovered.
 - A stone floor might be appearing next to W521.
 - The area may be a cooking or domestic area, perhaps from a later time (cp installation near exterior NW corner of church).
- 14 Sept 04: Preparatory work done for Square E3
 - Soil is Horizon A
 - Surface of square E3 was cleared of rubble and weeds. Boundaries of the square were marked in preparation for excavation.
- 23 Sept 04: Resumed work in Square D0
 - Starting elevation = 131.582
 - Ending elevation = 130.982
 - Soil is Horizon B

- Typical top level destruction fill – stones and fill, and building stones.
- 26 Sept 04: Continued work in Square D0
 - Starting elevation = 130.982
 - Ending elevation = 130.85
 - Soil horizon is A/B
 - Leveled the square.
 - Numerous roof tiles were recovered from the square

Architectural Items

- 14 Sept 04 square CO
 - An additional column base is visible (44cm in diameter) 0.56m from the west balk and 2.58m from W521.
 - N1910 – short nail with missing tip (found in bone bag)
- 23 Sept 04
 - doorjamb

Pottery and Small Finds

Basket Field Card**Hippos NEC 2004****Basket # 1908**

Locus: 536
 Opening elevation: 131.64
 Weight: 1.63kg
 Manager: Schuler

Square: C0
 Closing elevation: 131.18
 Date: 13-Sep-04
 Loci type: Destruction Fill

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| <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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Glass | <input type="checkbox"/> Lithic | <input type="checkbox"/> Iron |
| <input 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:

Roof tile: 1

Bone: 2 fragments animal

glass: 1 blue-green base, 1 green fragment

Tesserae: 15 white, 2 brown, 3 black

Basket Analysis

	Fine Wares		Course Cooking Wares				Other Coarse Wares		Lamps
	Bowl/Plate	Juglet	Pot	Casserole	Bowl	Lid	Jar	Other	
Base	3								
Rim				2			1	1	
Handle			5	1			3		
Body Shard	2		88				50		

Remarks:

casserole rim 3% of 15.5

casserole rim 2% of 21cm

jar rim: 10% of 4.5cm

bowl rim 10% of 6.5cm

Basket Field Card**Hippos NEC 2004****Basket # 1910**

Locus: 536
 Opening elevation: 131.18
 Weight: 1.86kg
 Manager: Schuler

Square: C0
 Closing elevation: 130.82
 Date: 14-Sep-04
 Loci type: Destruction Fill

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tesserae | <input type="checkbox"/> Basalt | <input type="checkbox"/> Silver |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Glass | <input type="checkbox"/> Lithic | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Iron |
| <input 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:

Roof tile: 1

Animal bones: 7

Seashell: 1

Glass: 7 thin gree, 3 thicker green, 2 blue-green, 1 thin ridged blue-green, 1 green rim 8% of 5cm, green bowl rim 40% of 8.5cm

Nail: 1

Tesserae: 14 white, 1 black, 2 yellow

Basket Analysis

	Fine Wares		Course Cooking Wares				Other Coarse Wares		Lamps
	Bowl/Plate	Juglet	Pot	Casserole	Bowl	Lid	Jar	Other	
Base	2		1				2		
Rim			1		1			1	
Handle							1		
Body Shard	3		59				53		

Remarks:

cooking bowl rim 2.5% of 15.5cm

pot rim 8% of 8.5cm

bowl rim 6% of 8.5cm

Basket Field Card**Hippos NEC 2004****Basket # 1934**

Locus: 536
 Opening elevation: 131.582
 Weight: 1.36kg
 Manager: Schuler

Square: D0
 Closing elevation: 130.982
 Date: 23-Sep-04
 Loci type: Destruction Fill

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Lamp | <input type="checkbox"/> Worked Bone | |

Remarks:

Glass: blue rim 46% of 2.5cm, frags: 1 blue-green, 1 blue, 1 clear, 1 silvered
 Animal bones: 2 frags Roof tiles:
 Tesserae: 11 white, 4 light brown, 1 black, 1 red
 Clusters:
 Other:

Basket Analysis

	Fine Wares		Course Cooking Wares				Other Coarse Wares		Lamps
	Bowl/Plate	Juglet	Pot	Casserole	Bowl	Lid	Jar	Other	
Base	1								
Rim	2		1				1		
Handle			2	1			3		
Body Shard	2		45				27		

Remarks:

fineware body shard with cross imprint
 fineware bowl rim 10% of 10.5cm
 fineware plat rim 5% of 10 cm
 pot rim 8% of 5.5cm
 jar rim 17.5% of 5 cm

Basket Field Card**Hippos NEC 2004****Basket # 1935**

Locus: 536
 Opening elevation: 130.982
 Weight: 3.51kg
 Manager: Schuler

Square: D0
 Closing elevation: 130.85
 Date: 26-Sep-04
 Loci type: Destruction Fill

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Remarks:

Glass:

Animal bones: Roof tiles: 17!

Tesserae: 4 white

Clusters:

Other:

Basket Analysis

	Fine Wares		Course Cooking Wares				Other Coarse Wares		Lamps
	Bowl/Plate	Juglet	Pot	Casserole	Bowl	Lid	Jar	Other	
Base	1								
Rim	3		1	1			1		
Handle			1	1					
Body Shard	0		23				12		

Remarks:

cypriot fineware plate rim 5% of 11 cm

fineware bowl rim 10% of 9.5cm

fineware bowl rim 10% of 12.5cm

pot handle/rim 7.5% of 6cm

casserole handle/rim 2 % of 25cm

pot rim 16% of 6.5cm

casserole rim 30.5% of 12 cm

jar rim 6% of 6.5cm