Hippos (Sussita) Excavations 2006 – 7th Season Daily Log + Drawing

| Date: | 25 July | _ Area: | NEC | Manager: _ | <u>Schuler</u> |
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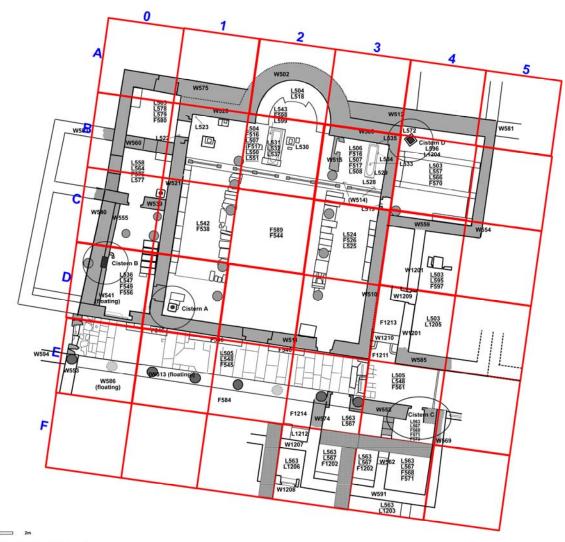
| Squares | C/D2 | B4 | D4 | F2 | | |
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| Loci | | L1204 | L1205 | L563 | | |
| Baskets | | 2111 | 2109 | 2110 | | |
| Walls | W559, W592, W593, W1201, W1216 | | | | | |
| Floors | F544, F589 | | | | | |

- Continued conservation work in Square C/D2 (Nave)
 - Additional photography to the west
 - Careful documentation of swastika patterns
 - Began covering the floor for the season.
- Continued work in Square C/D4
 - Starting elevation = 130.700 (due to taking down balk); 131.19 in C4
 - Ending elevation = working north of W1201 to east of C4 ended at 131.40; to the west of C4 ended at 131.28
 - o Soil is Horizon B
 - Removed rest of W592 and began to remove W593
 - With the removals, it is now clear that W1201 went all the way to the east to the west wall (W559) of the south vaulted chamber. W1201 actually tied into W559. When part of W1201 was removed in antiquity to make possible the building of W592, the action weakened W559.
 - As a consequence, we can now say that the South Vaulted Chamber and this hall were both constructed at the same time (and presumably were blocked up at the same time).
- Continued work in square B4
 - Starting elevation = 128.40
 - \circ Ending elevation = 128.36
 - o Soil is Horizon B
 - Removed and sifted the last layer of silt form the cistern.
 - \circ $\;$ No identifiable items were recovered from the silt.
- Continued work in Square F2

- \circ Starting elevation = 131.185
- \circ Ending elevation = 130.554
- o Soil is horizon A
- Seem to have identified an east/west wall (W1216). Its north face is just to the north of the balk on the south side of F2.
- Part of the undefined feature at the east end of F3 may continue to the north in F2 just north of the balk (a step ? 30 x 80cm)

Observations

Daily Drawing



Northeast Church Complex Hippos 2006

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