

# Hippos (Sussita) Excavations 2010 – 11th Season Daily Log + Drawing

Date: 04 July 10 Area: NEC Manager: Schuler

Squares	XX99/0	YY/ZZ1/2	YY/ZZ4	ZZ99	
Loci	L1219	L1219	L1219	L1226	
Baskets	none	none	none	none	
Walls	W1261, W1266, W1288, W1236				
Floors	F1294				

- Started work in Square XX99/0
  - Goal = Searching for intersection between W1266 and north to south wall on west side of putative street.
  - Starting elevation = 132.383
  - Ending elevation = 132.210
  - Soil is Horizon A and tractor fill
  - Focused on leveling the square. Exposed heavy fill.
  - Recovered a broken grinding mill base with one foot (Item #400)
  - Toward the end of the day a line of stones began to appear that may be the west wall of the putative street.
  
- Started work in Square YY/ZZ1/2
  - Goal = Follow W1261 and south stylobate of paved plaza to the east.
  - Starting elevation = 132.164
  - Ending elevation = 131.783
  - Soil is Horizon A and tractor fill
  - Broke surface and worked on leveling the square. Square taken down about 10cm over 80% of surface.
  
- Started work in Square YY/ZZ4
  - Goal = Follow W1288 and W1236 to east and clarify temporal relationship.
  - Starting elevation = 132.964
  - Ending elevation = 133.158 (wall), 133.158 (high), 132.804 (low)
  - Soil is Horizon A and tractor fill. Some change in color appears in lower areas.

- While leveling the square a possible wall became to emerge running north to south the east face of which is 2 m from the edge of the square.
- A possible portion of W1288 may be appearing mid-square.
- Many roof tiles in NW corner of square.
- Continued work in Square ZZ99
  - Goal = Expose rest of square to see stylobate and perhaps a bite of the floor to the north of the stylobate.
  - Starting elevation = see last year
  - Ending elevation = 130.964 (“shelf”)
  - Soil is Horizon tractor fill, A, B
  - Previous to excavation: removed rock fill from area.
  - Removed some of the central part of unexcavated ZZ0 that was threatening to collapse.
  - Began to remove the 1m wide unexcavated “shelf” on the north side of the square.
- Pollen analysis
  - Spoke with Prof Patrick Geyer about possible grain storage areas in the NEC.
  - Identified the east side of A4 as a possible storage area due to the dipinti on the amphora discovered there.
  - Patrick will clean the plaster floor and take a sample from south of the stylobate.