

Hippus (Sussita) Excavations 2008 – 9th Season Daily Log + Drawing

Date: 1 July 08 Area: NEC Manager: Schuler

Squares	A0	D5	E6	E8	F1	B0
Loci	L1219 L1226	L503	L1237	L1238 L1243	L563	L1241
Baskets	5404 5410	5406	5407	5408 5411 (empty)	5409	5405 (empty)
Walls	W575, W585, W1231, W1239, W1242, W1267					
Floors	F580					

- Continued work in Square A0
 - Starting elevation = 130.748
 - Ending elevation = 130.812
 - Soil is Horizon A shifting to B
 - A wall of 0.72m thickness was reached (identified originally as W1243, but later renumbered to W1267 due to the accidental use of 1243 as a locus of fill). It runs north to south and is roughly parallel to the east wall (W575 of the church). Is it 1.94m from the NE corner of the church and 1.87m from W575 at the south end of the square.
 - A nail (Item #253) was recovered .85m from W575.
- Continued work in Square D5
 - Starting elevation = 131.220
 - Ending elevation = 130.880
 - Soil is Horizon A to B
 - D5 yielded no evidence of any new walls. However, the south face of W1231 became clear, as did the east face of W585.
- Continued work in Square E6
 - Starting elevation = 130.768
 - Ending elevation = 130.427
 - Soil is Horizon B

- Clarified the north side of the east/west wall. What was thought to be a blocked doorway turns out to be the corner of a building, leaving unexplained the seam further to the south. The wall is 1.35 from the north edge of the square. The south face of this wall and the west face of W1239 are yet to be clarified.
- Continued work in Square E8
 - Starting elevation = 129.522
 - Ending elevation = 129.038
 - Soil is Horizon B/C
 - The corner of the southerly block building is now clear. The north south wall forming the east side of the building is 0.70m wide. The east/west wall (W1242) is 1.16m thick. The reinforcing block in the corner is 1.80m east to west and 1.95 north to south. The unusual corner may have been so constructed for reinforcement.
- Continued work in Square F1
 - Starting elevation = 130.513
 - Ending elevation = 130.473 (high), 130.230 (low)
 - Soil is Horizon A
 - Continued removing destruction fill.
- Conservation of floor in B0
 - Continued clearing the covering dirt from F580 in the *skeuophylakion*.
 - Continued removal of the blocked doorway in W575 (L1241).

Observations

Final Drawing

