

# Jebel Khalid 2000<sup>2</sup>

## Field Record Book

Name... NICHOLAS WRIGHT.....  
Trenches... 75|1, 75|2, 75|2-75|5, 76|3  
..... 206|7 58|8 - 58|5, 123|1 East  
Dates.....

**List of equipment for Trench Supervisors**

Dig bag	Glass	zujaj
Water	Half	nuss
Clip board and spare clips for windy days	Here	hona
Pens (water proof only - black or blue), pencils, ruler, eraser	I	ana
Measuring tape	Iron	hadeed
Plumb bob	Little, small	sagheer
String	Man	rajul
Spirit level (may be shared)	Maybe, perhaps	mumkin
Supply of labels	Must	laazim
Supply of different-sized plastic bags	Must not!	mu laazim
Toilet paper (for wrapping delicate objects as well as for personal use!)	My (my son)	-ee e.g. walad-ee
Small cartons/boxes for objects. When available	Pick	kazma
Bandaids and aspirin for the vapours (yours or the workers')	Pottery	fachaar
	Photo (picture)	soora
	Red	ahmar
	Rock	hajir
	Room	gurfa
	Sick	mareedth
	Soil	trab
	Slowly	shway, shway
All	kull	mudeer
All of you	kullkum	There is.. there is not
All even ( same)	kull sawa-sawa	fi....maa fi
Bedrock	jebel	hadtha
Big	kabeer	ila, li
Black	aswad	al yowm
Bone	az'm	bukra
Boy	walad	mustareen
Brush	forshay	jidaar
Charcoal	fah'm	mayy
Cleaning	tanzeef	Wheelbarrow
Dead	mowt	darraaja
Eating!	mangariyya	White
Floor	ardth	abyad
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		You (pl.) antum

JK DG	Date
Trench #	
⊗ Strata #	
Pottery	NW

\*2 1 in Bag, 1 on tag.

JKDG	Date
Trench #	
⊗ Strata #	
Obj (eg iron fr.) A	NW

\*2

#### ADVICE to TRENCH SUPERVISORS

1. Take a new page for each day. (Each day may take several pages).
2. Draw a scale plan of the trench each day on the graph paper (essential), with North at the top (if this is not convenient, mark North direction clearly).  
Mark depth from surface at the beginning of each day, at designated points.  
When starting a square, this plan may be nearly empty but draw it all the same and mark in emerging tumble.
3. Draw arrows on your plan to indicate direction in which you are excavating.
4. Every time you designate a new context, (on the occasion of a new spit, a new feature, a new soil colour) fill in the Context Record Sheet for that trench, as well as describing it in your report. Store the accumulated context record sheets in the plastic sleeve in your record book.
5. **Structures** . Measure carefully any structure (wall, doorway, threshold, ovens, pit, any large dressed stones or columns) and record exact location, height, width in your report as well as on the scale plan.
6. **Floors** - marked by very hard tough surface or layer of white crushed limestone. May be softer adjacent to wall. Record thickness of floor, if we decide to dig through it.  
If your floor is particularly good, collect a few bags of surface material - there may be seeds.
7. **Objects**. e.g. glass, figurine or lamp fragments, metal, stucco, loomweights, spindle whorls, beads, graffiti-ed sherds, coins, gold jewellery ( some hope). Mark in the location and depth of any objects clearly and accurately. If necessary, draw another sketch plan as the day progresses. A quick sketch of the object in the report would be helpful, if it is too mysterious to name e.g. Mattie's metal blobs.
8. **Pottery**: label bags clearly in waterproof pen, with one label inside the bag and one outside. **Record daily the number of bags per context** . Be very careful to separate pottery from different contexts.  
**It is absolutely essential to double-bag the pottery. A broken bag of pottery without context is useless.**
9. **Bone**: Collect all bone and label as for pottery. Record number of bags per context daily.
10. **Charcoal**: Collect all charcoal and label as for pottery. Record number of bags per context daily.
11. **Tile**: it is important to record the location and amount of tile.
12. **Very important**: at the completion of a trench, draw to scale:
  - i Draw a section of the exposed baulk, with details of stratigraphy clearly marked.
  - ii Draw a top plan of the completed trench, with contexts clearly marked.
  - iii Write a short summary with your interpretation of the trench.

Trench 75/1 Initials NW Date 14-04 Page 1  
Locus 1 Spit 1 Locus 1 Spit 1 Feature/s

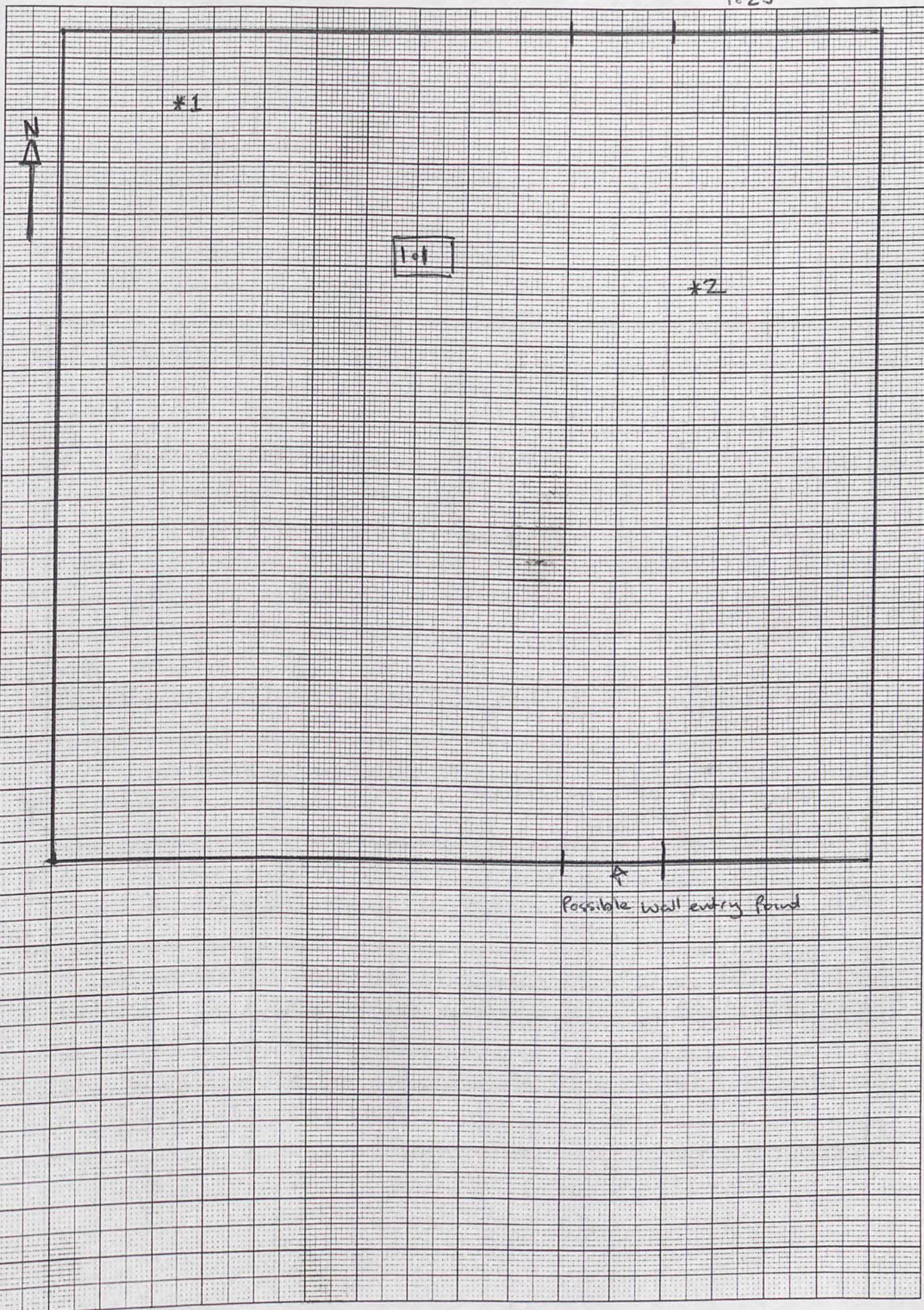
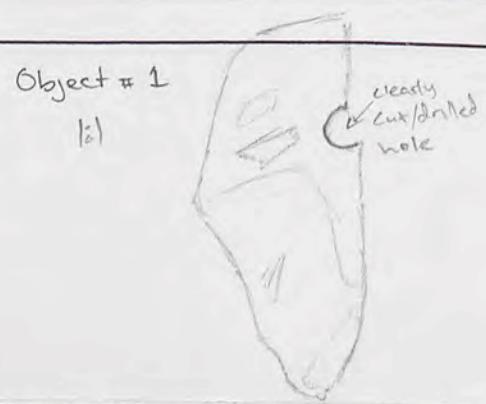
## 1mm Squares

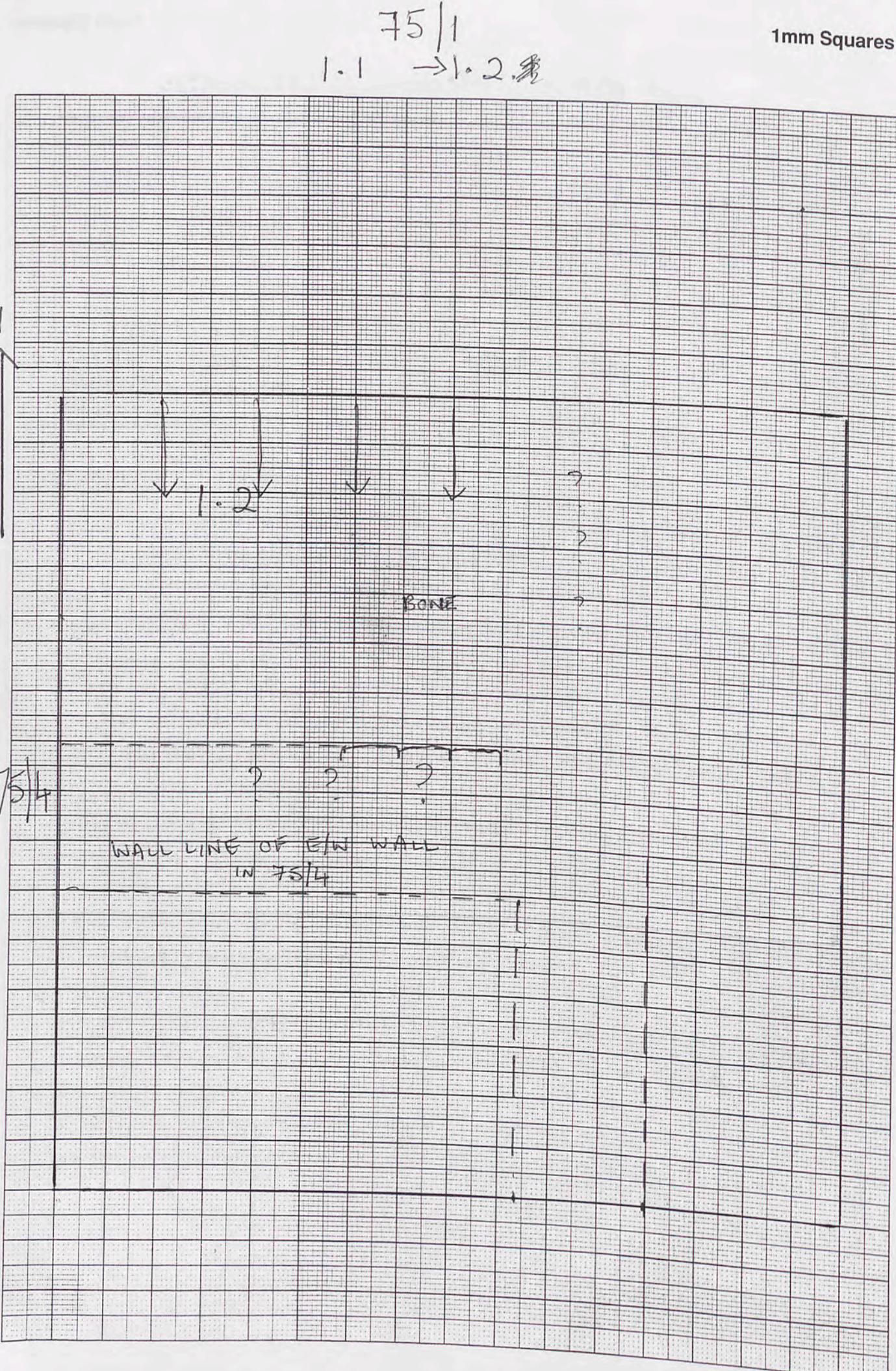
	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	†	1-1	✓
Bone	†	(-)	
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw		-	
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
1	Ceramic Fragment	7.1	
2	Fragment of Bone	1.1	

## Context Report

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|------------|---|
| 1.1        | Top soil, all very rocky much like rest of the Jebel.   |
| 1.1        | - Possible wall coming up from the south = 95 cm from the SE corner.  |
| * Object 1 | Ceramic fragment which the workers insist is part of a pendant I'm not so sure, incised lines.                |
| 1.1        | - looks like the possible wall may run N-S the entire length of the trench to link with another to the North. |
| * Object 2 | Bone Fragment, looks like a piece of long bone. I apologise for objecting it, but its done now.               |
| 1.1        | Piece of Basalt vessel. Bagged with pottery.  |





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Trench 75/1 Initials NW Date 15/4/02 Page....  
Locus 1 Spit 1 Locus 1 Spit 2 Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont 1.1	Cont 1.2
Pottery		1	1 ✓
Bone			1
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.	HJ 1.33		

No.	Object	Cont	Cont

Context	Report
1.1	Still cleaning off topsoil around much tumble. Hampered by rain showers. The wall line N/S (continuation from trench to south) is fairly clear but at this stage there is little indication of an E/W wall in line with that in 75/4 to the west.
	Topsoil cleared & swept. Photographed HJ.
1.2	<p>Excavating from the NW corner to see if we can catch:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) the continuation of the N/S wall (which may not continue North).</li> <li>(b) the N-face of the suggested E/W wall.</li> </ul> <p>Large tumble being removed from this locus. Some bone where indicated. Tumble resting in loose brown soil.</p> <p>At the end of the day, the N face of the E/W wall is partly exposed.</p>

HJ for  
 Trench 75/1 Initials NW Date 16/4 Page....  
 Locus 1 Spit 3 Locus Spit Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont 1.3	Cont 1.4
Pottery	2 ✓✓		
Bone	1		
Charcoal	1		
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
1	Metal slay.	1.3	
2	2 fr. glass	1.4	
3	1 bead	1.4	
4	2 STONE TOOLS	1.3	

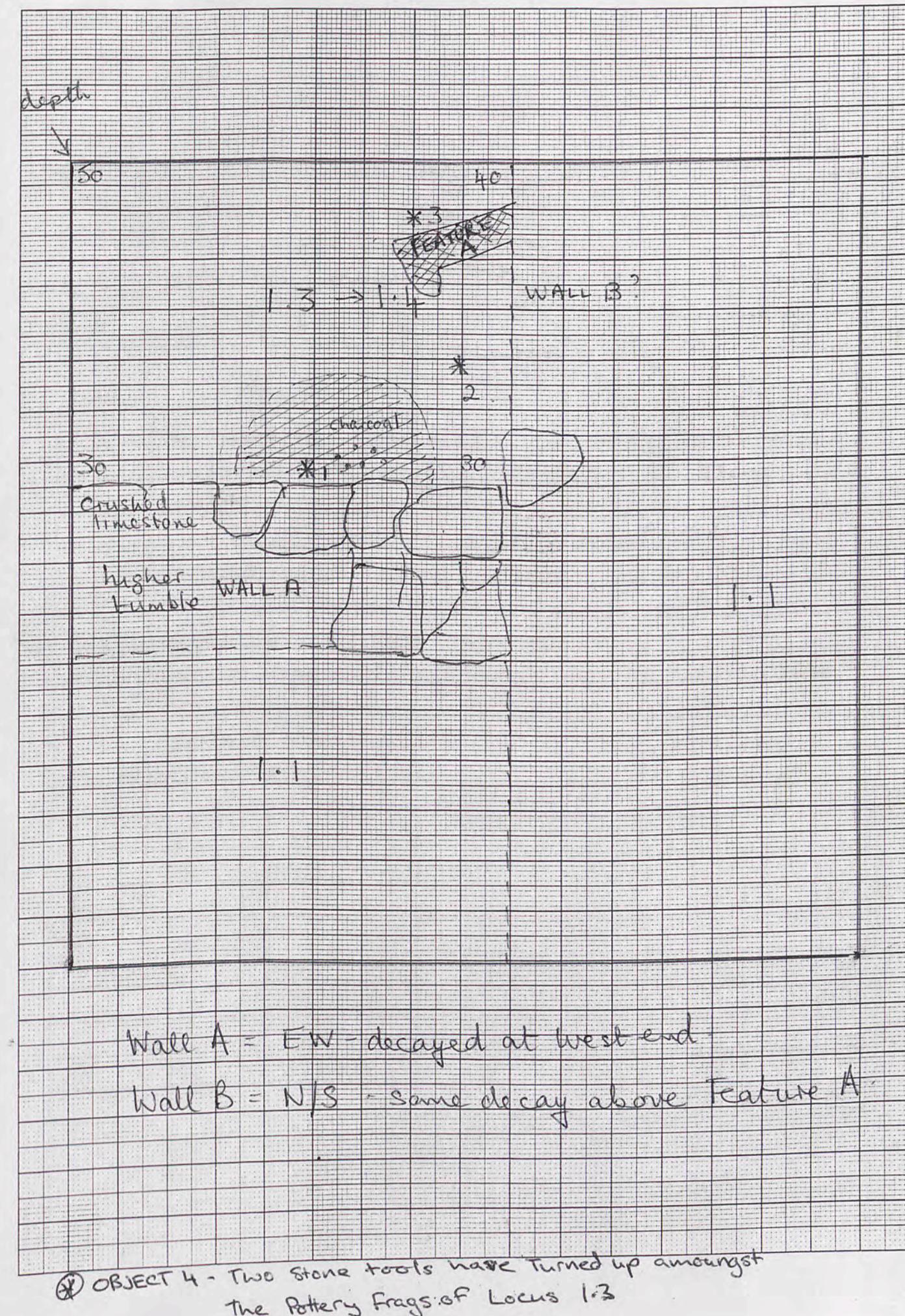
Context	Report
1.3	This locus is below locus 1.2, which was entirely tumble. The soil is now soft brown loose, with the beginning of an ashy lens against the E/W wall. Here a few fragments of oven material have emerged and some burnt bone - some indication of a decayed OVEN. Also some CHARCOAL and a RIVER PEBBLE, possibly used as a pounder.
Top	First course of N/S wall now fairly clear, North of the E/W wall. The ashy lens is weak - confined to a circular area against the E/W wall (wall A).
*	A lump of metal was found in this area, depth of 30cm from surface of wall A.
1.4	A new spit below 1.3 - 10 cm. * 2 fr. bluish glass * bead from soil in N. of trench

The new spit is marked by the emergence of the narrow edge of a worked stone block = Feature A.

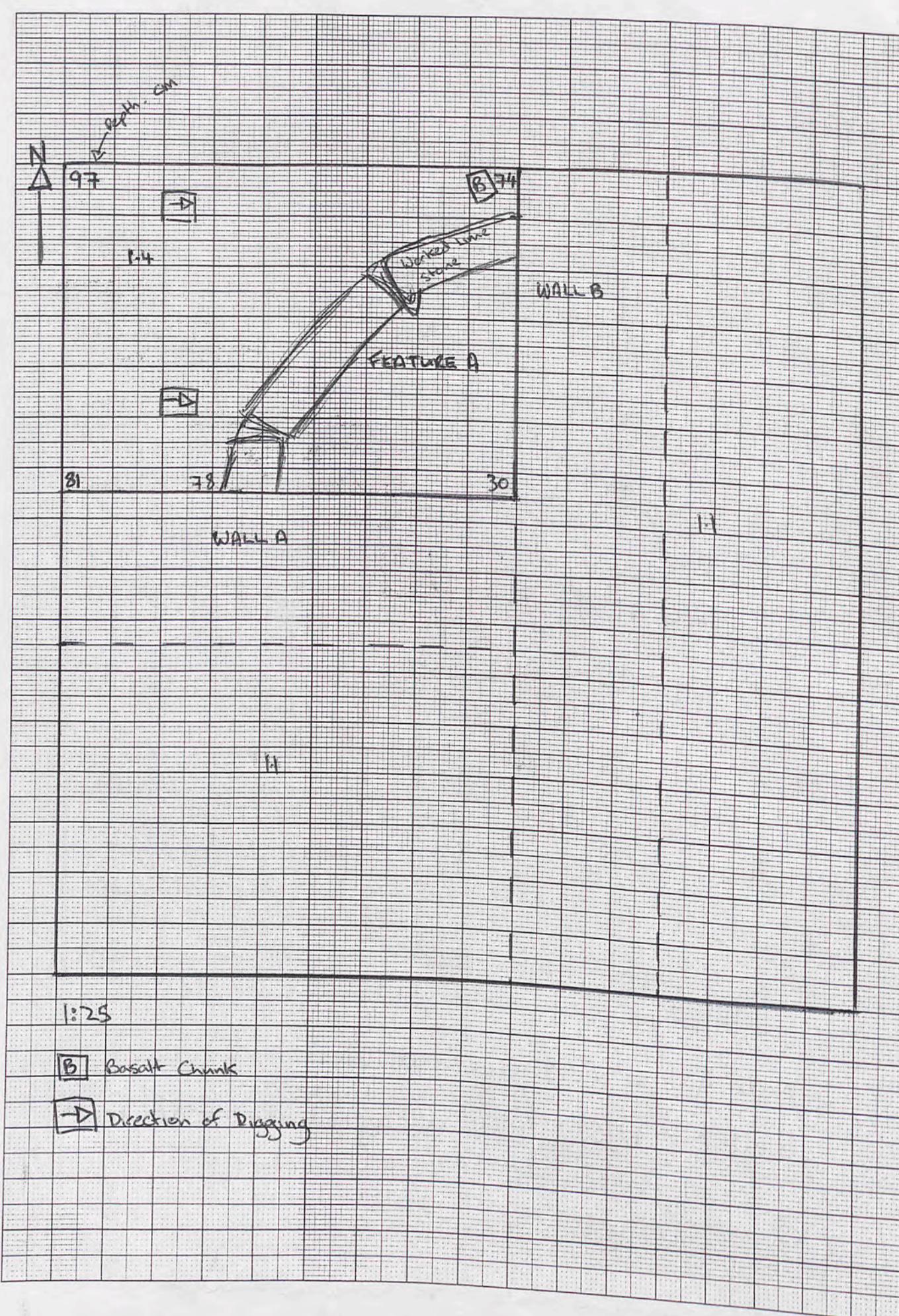
At the end of the day, another worked stone block with architectural moulding adjacent to A = Feature A2.

75/1 16/4/02.  
1.3

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### 1mm Squares



Trench.....75/1.....Initials.....Date.....17/04 Page....  
Cus.....Spit.....Locus.....Spit.....Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	1	1.4 ✓	
Bone	1	1.4	
Charcoal	1	1.4	
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

Context

## Report

- 1.4 Continuing to explore this locus in the N(E) corner of Trench. Feature A is now being considered the entire SE corner of locus B which has been walled in by a curved installation. Still much hampered by bad weather, very little achieved.

1.4 Chunk of basalt uncovered as marked on map. Dimensions - 20 x 10 x 5 cm

1.1 Rest of Trench still covered by Tumble. unsure if Wall A continues to the E of Wall B.

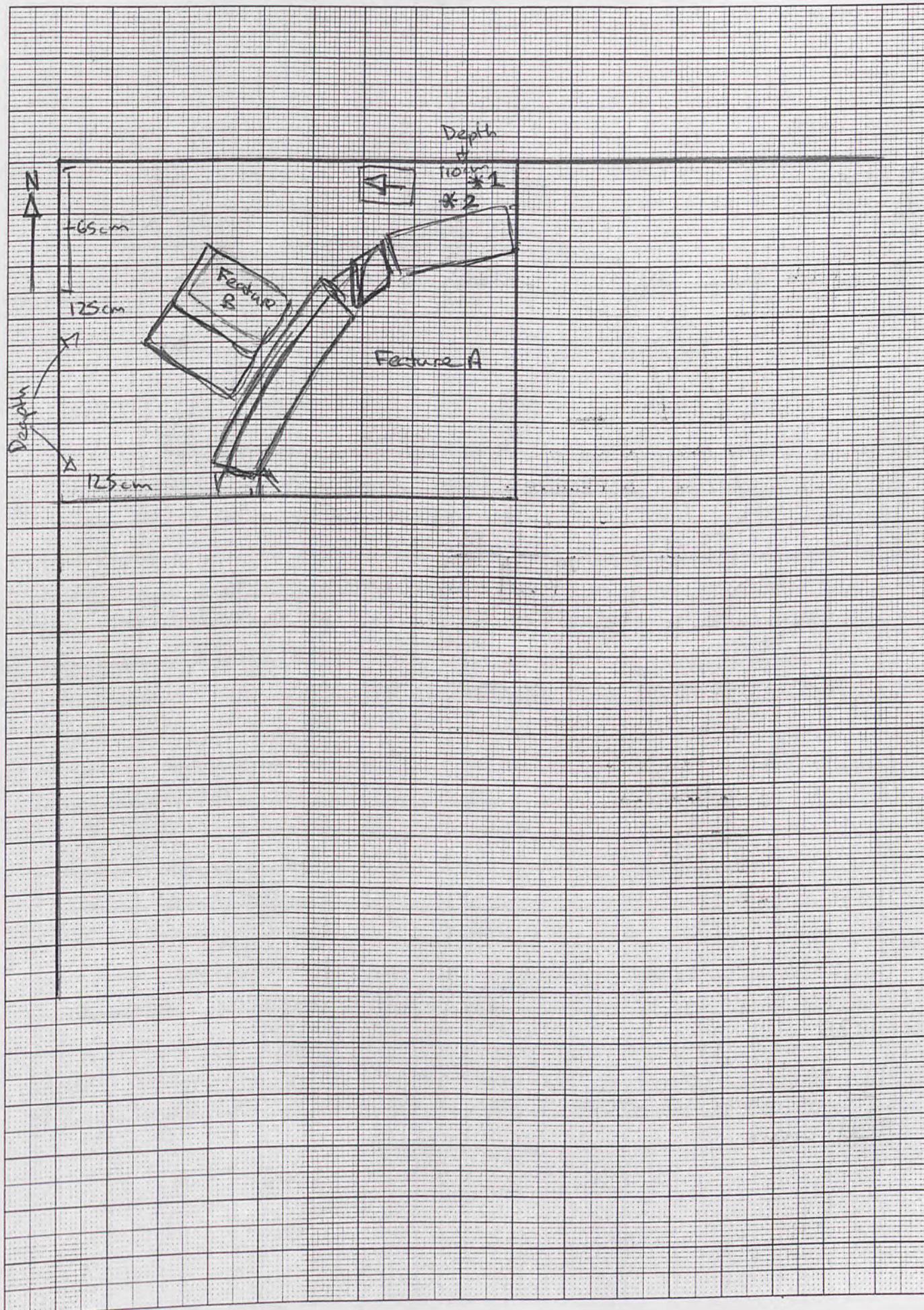
1.4 Feature A Not Excavated below level of curved installation.

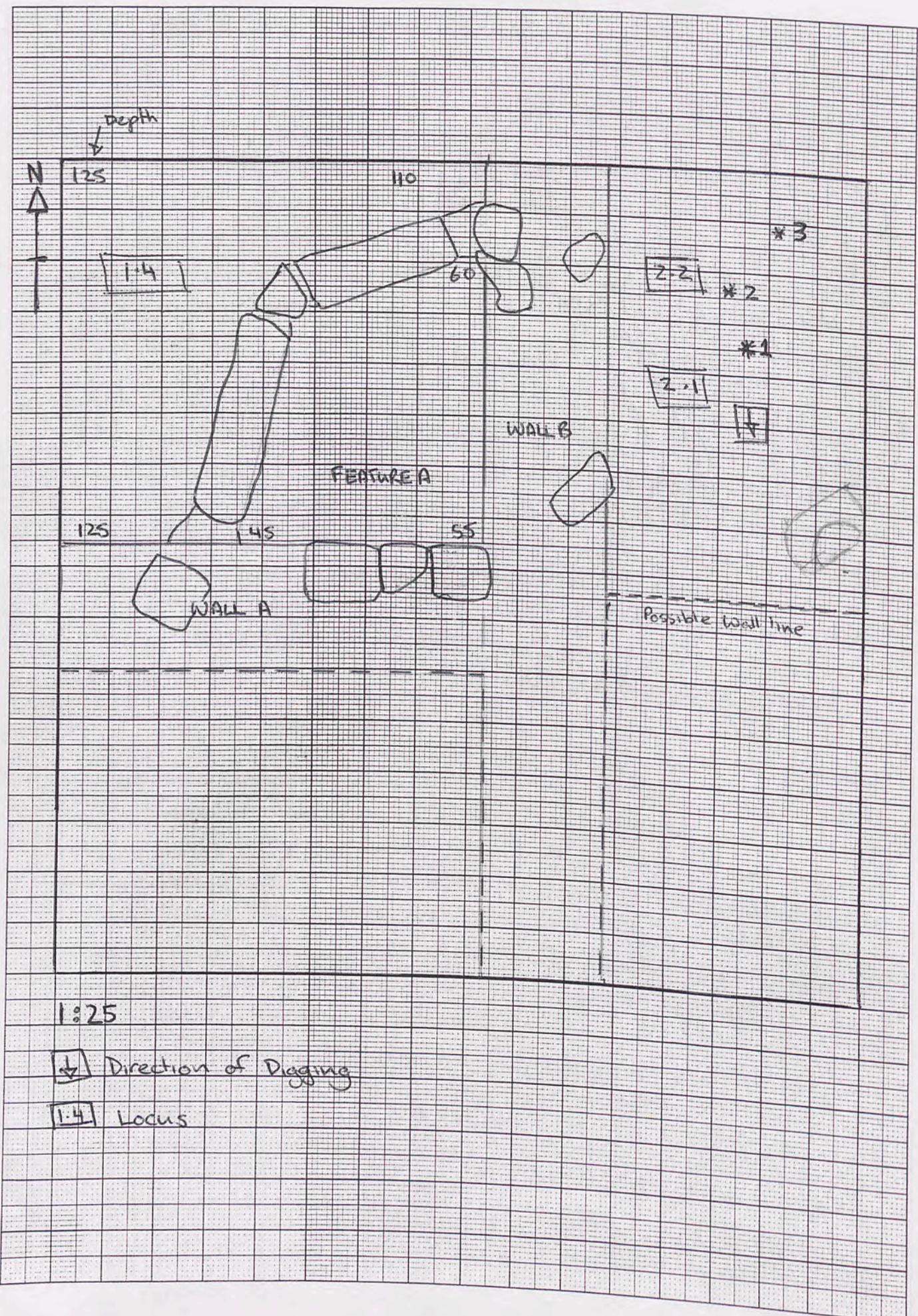
Trench 25/1 Initials NW Date 18/04 Page 1  
 Locus 1 Spit 4 Locus Spit Feature/s

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	2 ✓		
Bone	1		
Charcoal	1		
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
1	Relief Moulded Bowl Frag 1.4		
2	Bronze Frag	1-4	

Context	Report
1.4	Immediately uncovered Objects 1+2 in the North East corner of Locus 1.4, just below where the basalt was uncovered yesterday. Object #1 is a wonderful moulded Bowl frag - looks to show on the main panel, L→R an amphora, rearing horse facing Left, Winged Nike/Eros? facing left.
1.4	lots of tumble turning up in the SW corner of this locus, below the crumbly limestone wall
	2 large River Rocks uncovered, both $\approx 90 \times 60 \times 40$ cm lying around edge of feature A
	2 Flat slabs of limestone have turned up, one on top of the other forming what looks like a rudimentary step - to be called feature B. Theory just fell apart. Second step was just tightly packed tumble. 1 slab still remains. $55 \times 30 \times 18$ cm -Feature B has been fully removed - Tumble?
	Now looks as though there may have been a floor, corresponding with the top of feature A + the charcoal - Ashy deposit found there $\approx 80$ cm below surface level.
	Probable Floor $\approx 110-125$ cm from surface, 70cm from Top Feature A.





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Trench 7S/1 Initials NM Date 18/04 Page 2  
Locus 2 Spit 1 Locus 2 Spit 2 Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	1✓	2.1	
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
1	Iron Frag.	2.1	
2	Bronze Frag	2.2	
3	Figurine Frag	2.2	

Context Report

2.1 Resolved to start on the area East of the N-S wall - two main reasons (wall A)  
 - Firstly, to discover if the E-W wall continues East beyond the N-S wall, (Wall B)  
 - Secondly, more importantly, this leaves Feature A in 1.4 covered up over the weekend + will hopefully minimise any damage that can be caused.

Removing topsoil starting from the NE corner.

- \* Iron frag found in topsoil, almost on surface.
- 2.2 Topsoil removed, to reveal light brown soil Locus 2.2
- \* Bronze fragment, looks like the end of a bracelet with a Ram's head. Maybe Gaat.
- \* Figurine head.

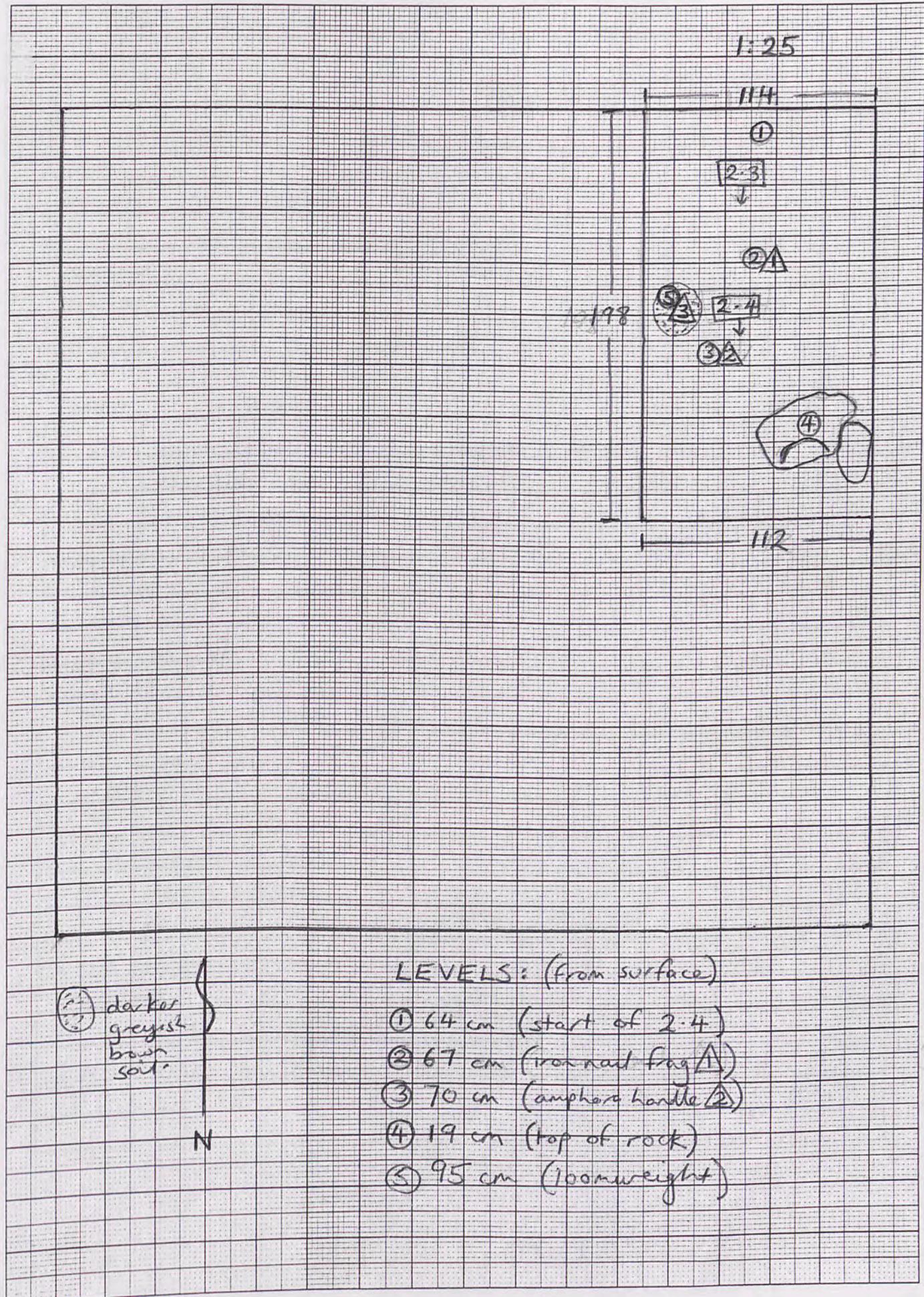
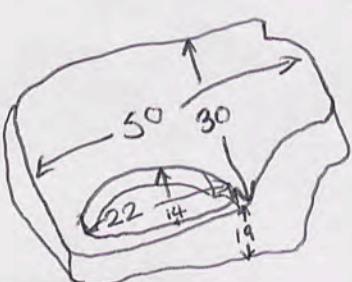
Found a Possible wall running east-west East of wall B, but it is in congruous with wall A.

Trench.....T5/1.....Initials.....LC for NW Date.....20/4 Page.....3  
Locus.....Spit..... Locus.....Spit..... Feature/s.....

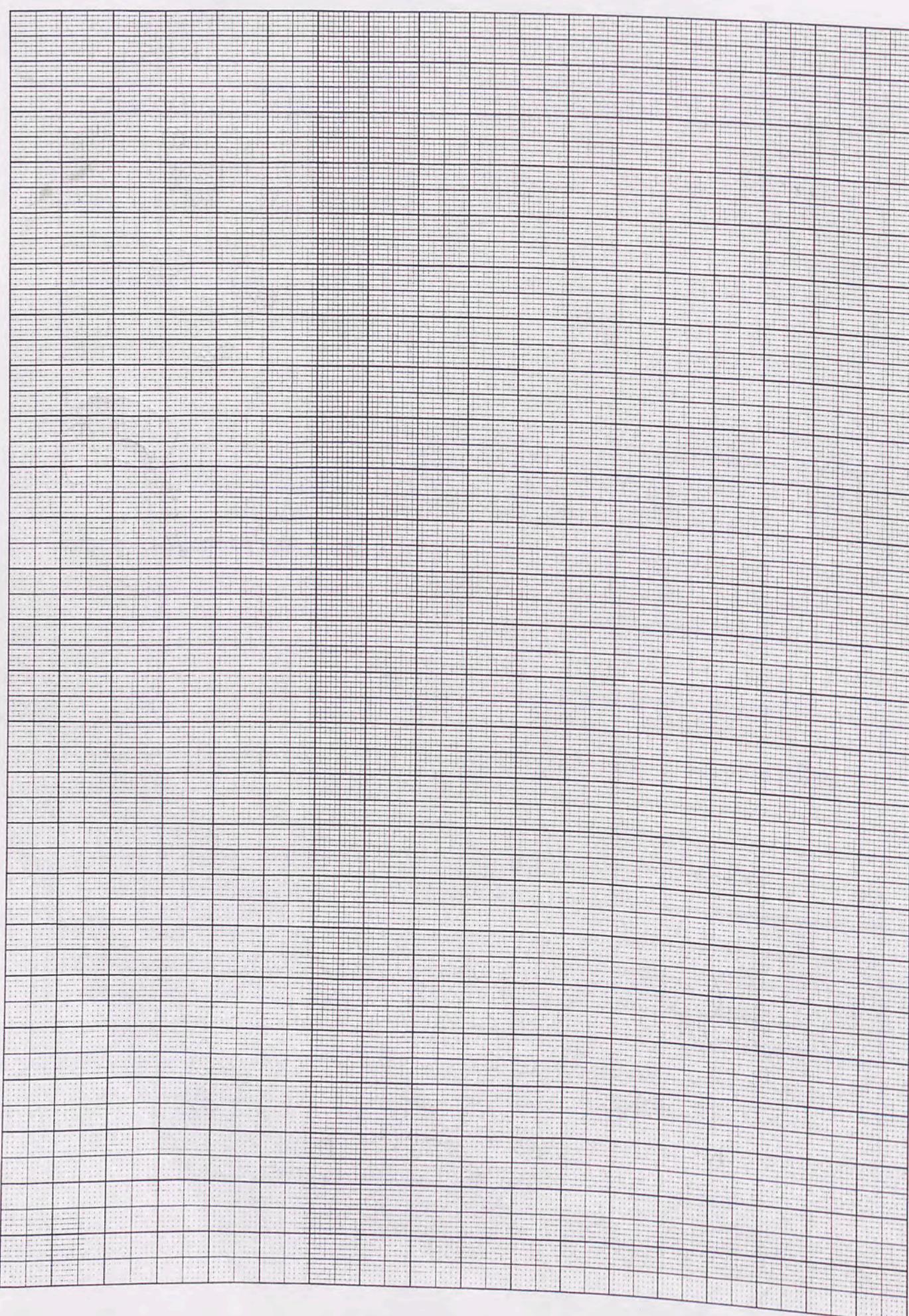
	No. of bags	Cont ✓	Cont ✓
Pottery	4	2.3	2.4 (3)
Bone	2	2.3	2.4
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
1	Iron nail frag	2.4	
2	Stamped am. handle	2.4	
3	Loomweight	2.4	

Context	Report
2.3	Continuing excavation of area east of N-S wall. Pottery, bone in small amounts. Stone in southeast part of locus appears to be disturbed/tumble.
2.4	Starting new spit at 64 cm below surface. Will pedestal stone to ascertain whether resting on floor.
1	Iron nail at depth of 67 cm
2	Lovely stamped amphora handle at depth of 70cm. Removed worked stone as clearly ex-situ. Resting on a couple of smaller stones - apparently tumble rather than packing. Soil light brown crumbly throughout. Some bone emerging.
3	Possible E-W wall east of Wall A is a definite wall. 2.4 goes to depth of 87 cm and courses still smooth & regular. Will continue down to try and find floor. Loom weight found at depth of 95 cm. Soil slightly darker around it, but not ashy. Not enough for sample.



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Trench..... Initials..... Date 21/4 Page....  
 Locus..... Spit..... Locus..... Spit..... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	2	2.5✓	
Bone		2.5	
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
1	loomweight	2.5	
2	Fig frag	2.5	
3	Iron nail	2.5	
4	Fig frag	2.5	
5	Lamp frag	2.5	

## Context Report

2.5	Continuing to take down NE area. NE corner 92 cm at beginning of 2.5.
1	SW corner 94 cm. Loomweight found almost immediately near SE corner at 95 cm - same (and as yesterday's loomweight (2.4(3)).
2	Fig frag found at 115 cm from surface close to centre of north SK in NE section. Dark patch uncovered yesterday is deeper but no more extensive. After closing dark soil appears across entire area. It very thick layer to be measured when finished. Clearly visible in east baulk.
	Mudbrick? appeared against E/W wall in east section. Top of brick 119 cm from surface. 25 cm from N-S wall. Dimensions to be measured when uncovered.
3	Iron nail found west of mudbrick. c125 cm from surface.
4	Fig frag found 124 cm from surface, 79 from E-W wall and 60 from east baulk.
5	Lamp frag found <del>100 cm</del> nearly 40 cm north of mudbrick.

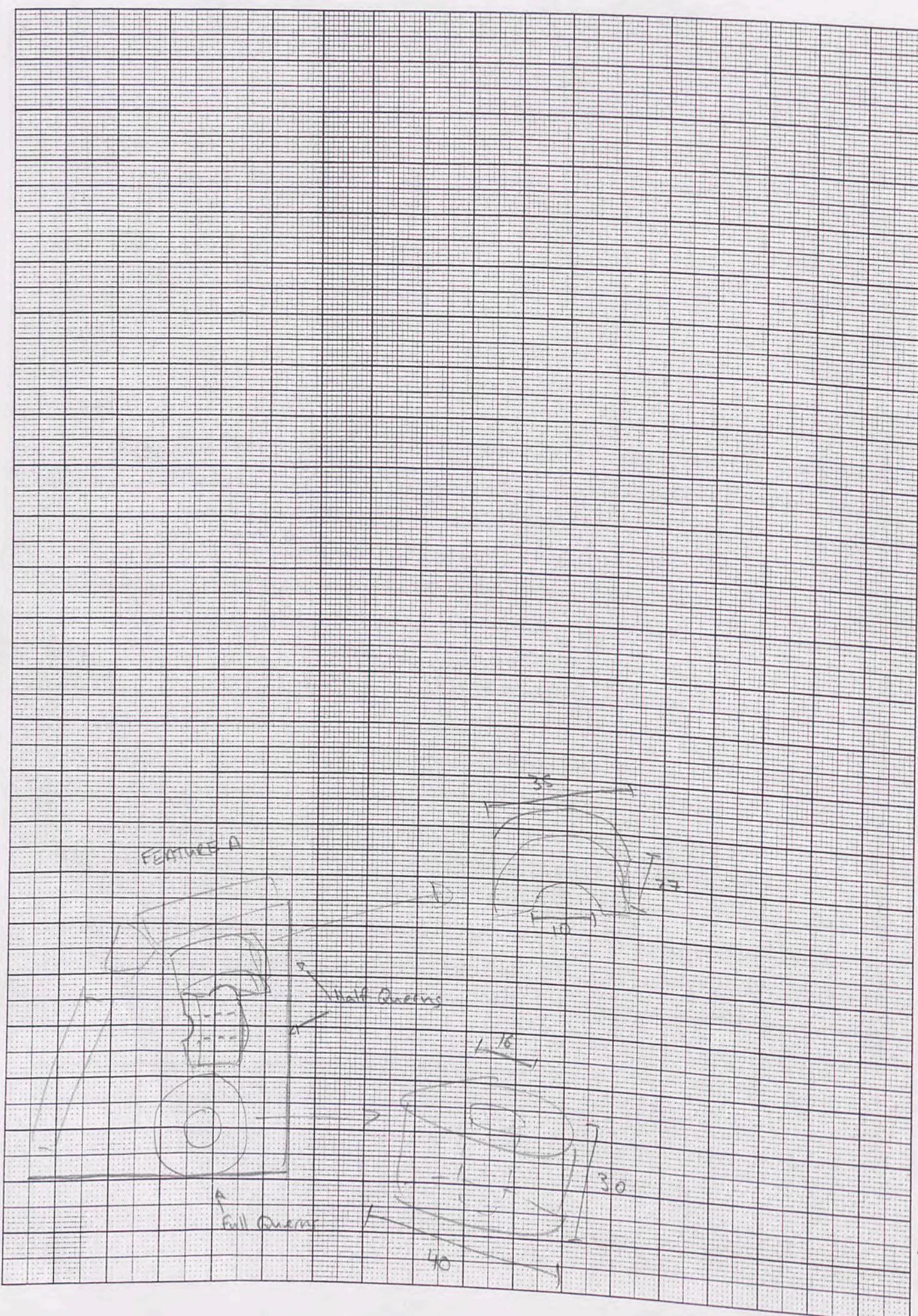
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Locus.....2.....Spit.....4..... Locus.....Spit..... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	1		
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

## Context

## Report

2.4 Reached <sup>Floor</sup> level almost instantly this morning at  
117 cm. Cleaning up this Locus so as to  
finally clean up Feature A in ~~the~~ Locus 1



Trench 75/1 Initials NY Date 22/04 Page 20  
Locus 1 Spit 1 Locus 1 Spit Feature/s A

### FEATURE A

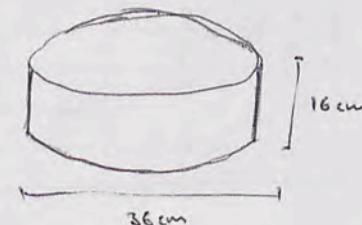
	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	1	1-L FA ✓	
Bone	1		
Charcoal	1		
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw	bw2 8-16		
Photos col.	CS1 4-7		

No.	Object	Cont	Cont

### Context

### Report

Clearing out Feature A. Soil Brown + crumbly just as rest of locus. high proportion of Tumble.
O Possible Column Piece, d= 36cm h= 16. Does not appear to be fluted at all.
1 Whole + 2 half Querns are being cleaned up + left in situ. ≈ 75 cm from surface.
Floor level has been reached at the same depth as that of Locus 1.4 Area has been tidied up for a photo.
Soil sample taken from floor around Querns.
Photos BW2, 8-16 CS1, 4-7 frame 6 is a dud shot.



Trench.....Initials.....Date..... Page....  
Locus...<sup>3</sup>...Spit...<sup>2</sup>... Locus...<sup>3</sup>...Spit...<sup>3</sup>... Feature/s.....

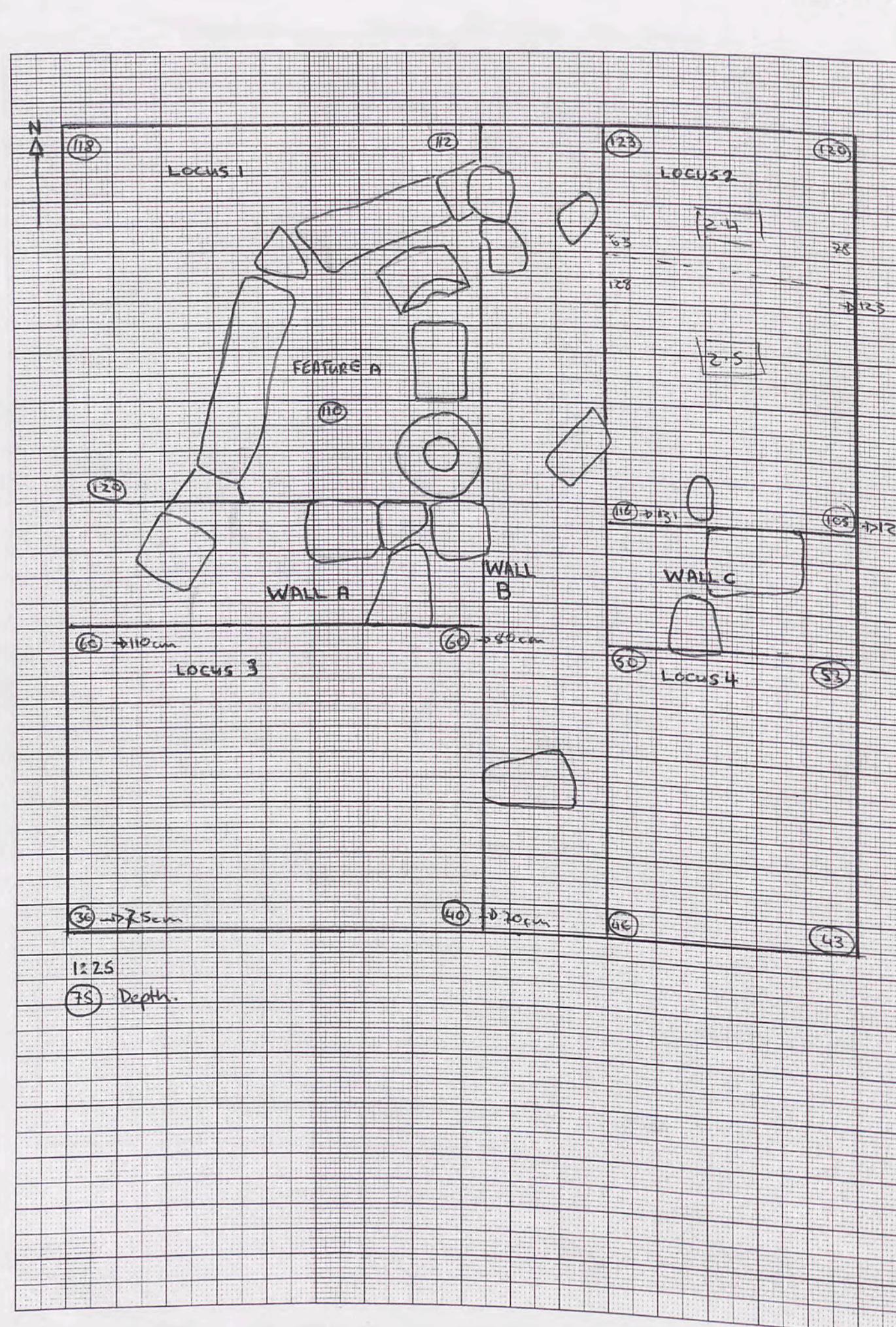
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Pottery	1	3.3	✓
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

## Context Report

- 3.2 Removing tumble from area, aiming to simply define the walls

3.3 Below Tumble, soil is not surprisingly Brown + crumbly.

\* 1 Metal Ring discovered half way along Wall A = 30cm from Surface



# Final Report

Trench...75/1.....Initials...NW.....Date 24/04/02.....Page 1  
 Locus.....Spit..... Locus.....Spit..... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery			
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont

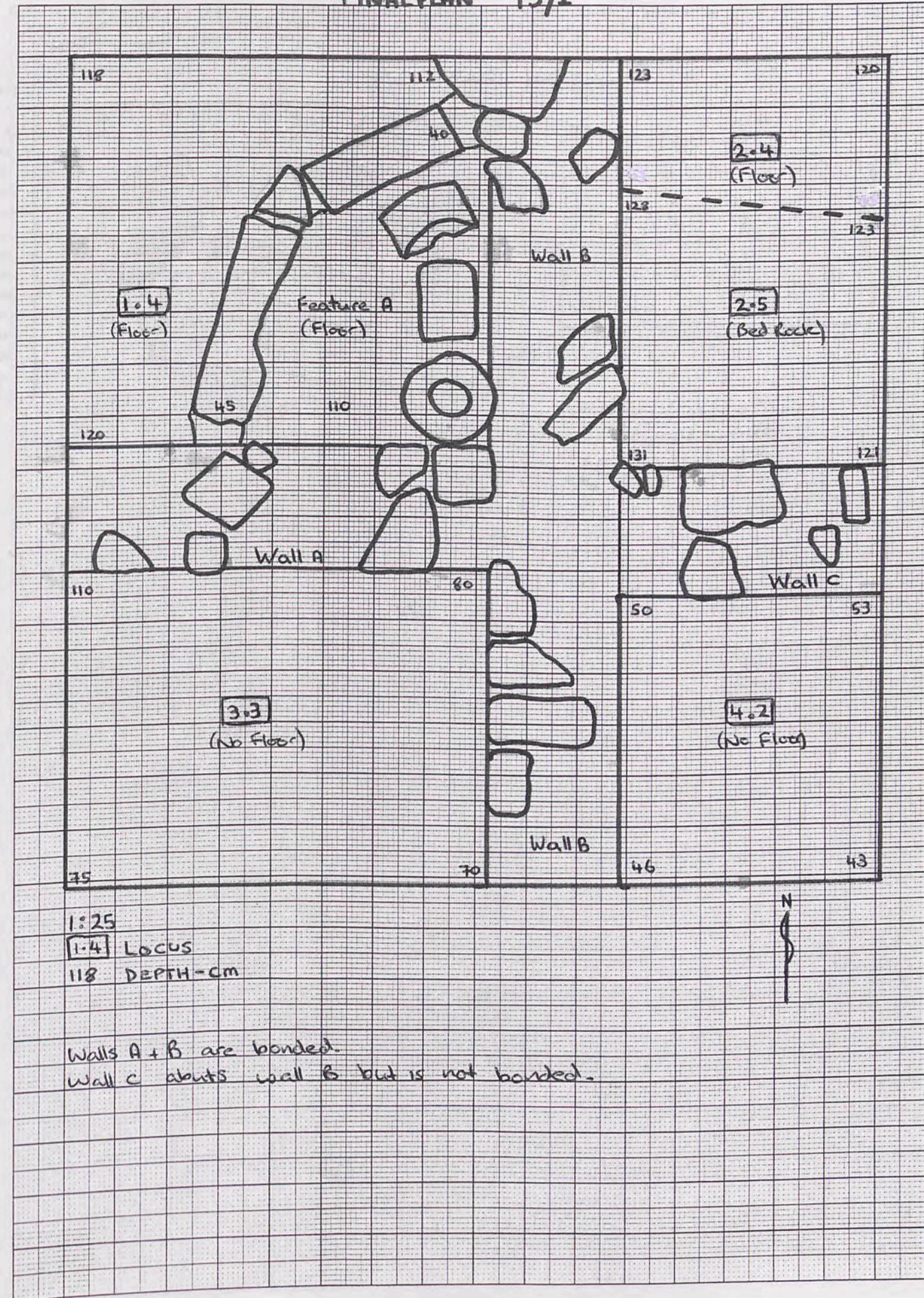
## Context FINAL Report

- Locus 1 The most complicated + interesting locus, the Western Vault appears to indicate 3 periods of occupation which co-incide with what's happening to Feature A. the Grey Ashy Soil rest at roughly an even level with the top of Feature A. in this period of occupation, the Feature probably would not have been visible. - Occupation level 3. The limey soil is placed to line up roughly with the base of the worked stones that make up the feature below these worked stones is a small layer of fill which rests on top of the floor level of 1.4. therefore, it could appear that there were 3 periods of occupation of this locus.  
 -Primary Occupation - beaten earth floor, No Feature A  
 -Secondary " - limey looking deposits, construction of Feature A from "Borrowed" worked stone - Metope + Triglyph + Architrave. + the placement of the Querns in side.  
 -Tertiary " - by this stage the feature is completely filled and covered, + includes a piece of column. this is all covered by the ash layer.

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1mm Squares

## FINAL PLAN 75/1



## WESTERN BAULK

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## EASTERN BAULK 75/1



No Floor

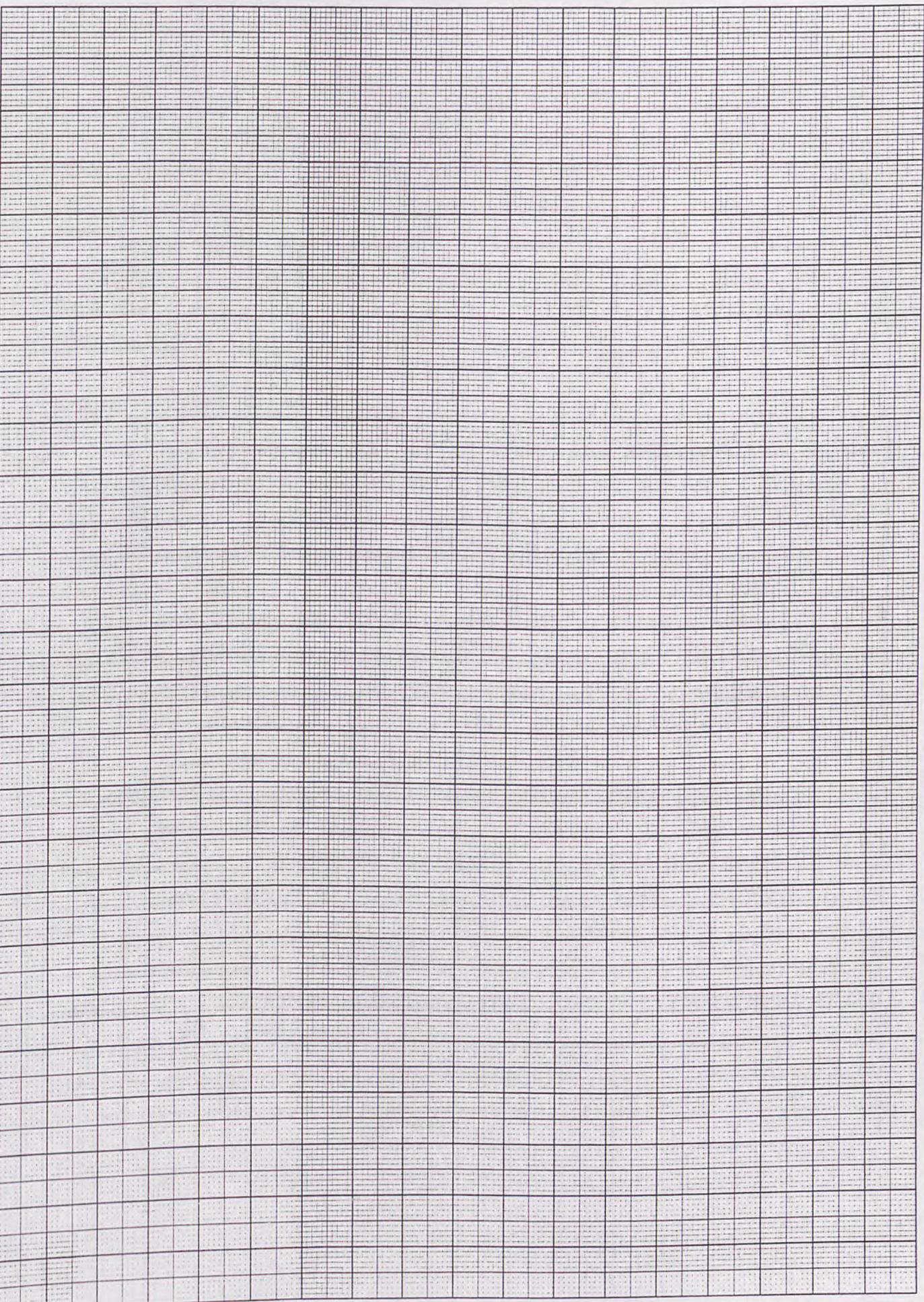
WALL A

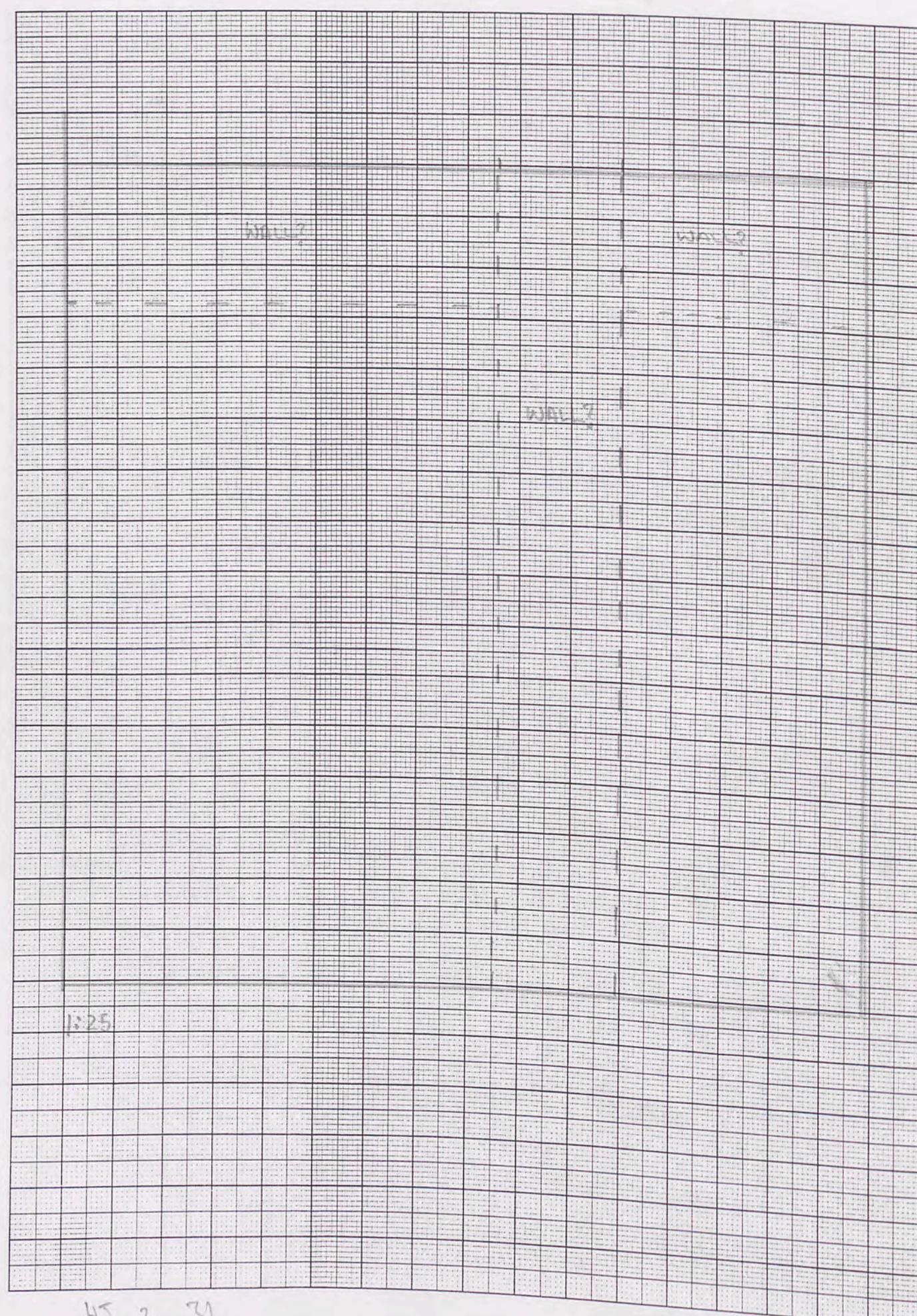
Floor

1.25

Depth cm  
0  
20  
40  
60  
80  
100  
120  
140

- /// Brown Tilled Dirt
- Grey Ashy Soil
- White Limey Soil





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## NEW TRENCH

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Trench 75/2 Initials MW Date 24/04/02 + 25/04/02  
Locus 1 Spit 1 Locus 1 Spit 2 Feature/s.....

	No. of 24 <sup>th</sup> bags 1.1	Cont 25 <sup>th</sup> 1.2	Cont
Pottery	1	1	
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont

### Context Report

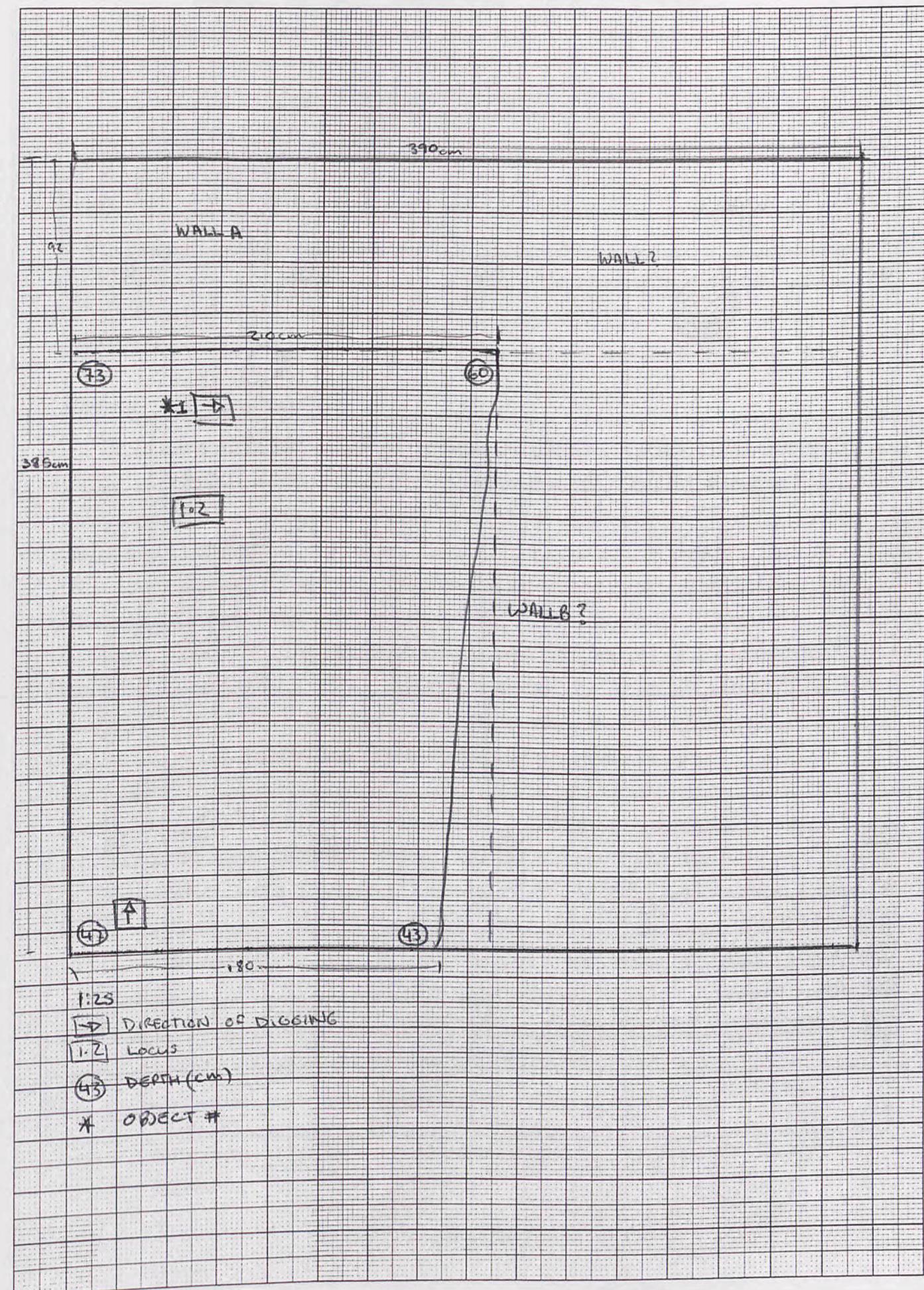
24/04	1.1 Starting to clear topsoil. Heavy Rain last night has created a whole lot of mud.  Finished up before Second Breakfast. too much Rain.
25/04	1.1 Much better weather, continue to remove topsoil. It would make sense that there should be at least 2 walls in this trench. One running N-S continuing from trench 75/1, + one running E-W continuing from trench 75/5 Neither wall is particularly prominent at this point  1.2 Clearing tumble starting in the SW corner + attempt to find both possible walls. Several Tiles have turned up amongst the tumble of 1.2. I am under the impression that quite a few were in amongst the Pottery from B yesterday in the top soil.

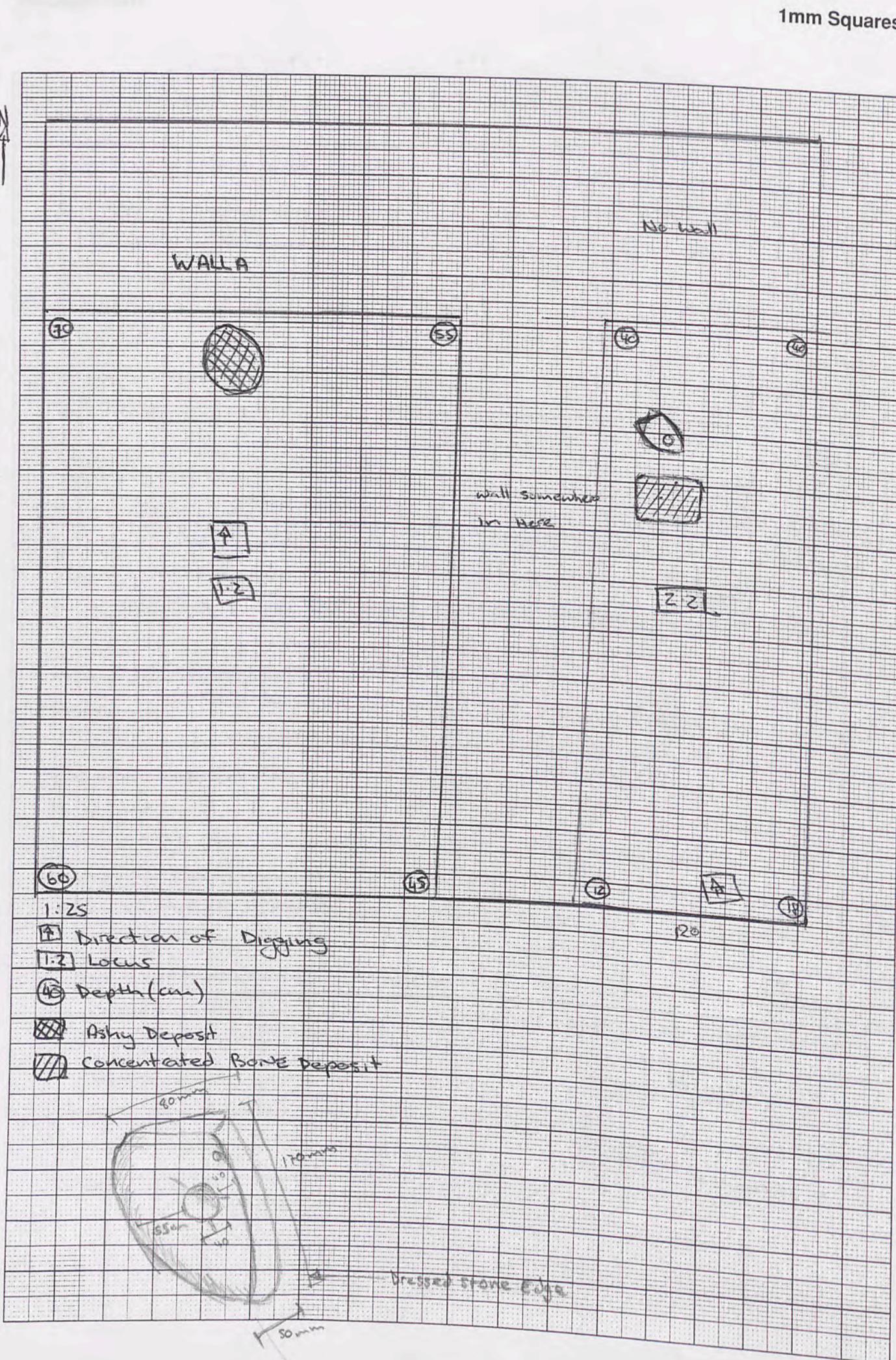
Trench... 7S/2 Initials... NM Date... 27<sup>th</sup> - 4 Page....  
 Locus..... Spit... Locus..... Spit..... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	1		
Bone	1		
Charcoal	1		
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
*1	Fig Fragment.	1	2

Context	Report
	Yet again clearing away tumble. Fine weather but a bad case of absconding trowels + hand picks which has slowed us down somewhat. They were discovered in an opening locus at ~6:30.
	Still surprisingly little pottery but coming across a bit of long bone which agrees nicely with the assumption that this locus is part of the same room/courtyard as locus 1, 7S/2
	The EW wall's South face is now clear, to be called "wall A". It is still uncertain if it continues E beyond the NS Wall.
*1	Figure fragment - very top of figure's head. ~45cm depth. ENORMOUS amount of Bone!





Trench 75/2 Initials N.H. Date 28/04/02 Page...  
Locus 1.... Spit 2.... Locus 2.... Spit 2.... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont 1-2	Cont 2-2
Pottery	1	1	
Bone	1	1	
Charcoal	1		
SOIL SAMPLE			
Other (Tile)	1		
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont

Context	Report
1.2	Continuing with locus 1.2 - still lots of bone. Little more charcoal already at 06:30 than all yesterday.
	Ashy deposit, roughly circular, 110cm E along Wall A 69cm depth from surface of trench. Diameter = 30-40 cm. Soil sample taken. seems to roughly correspond with the ash deposit against N face of Wall A in 75/1 which I suspect originally lay on a floor which we missed. Proceeding with caution.
2.2	Look for Wall B: I know it's there, we have it moving North from 75/1 + meets our wall A. We have the very corner where A+B meet, but other than that, the W face is rather unclear. Will attempt a locus to the E in attempt to find E face. Locus 2-2 looking more at trench 76/8 immediately to the E, seriously doubting the existence of a wall running EW

Depth 40cm - Bone deposit containing at least 6 teeth - animal all within a very tight area roughly 20x30 cm. Bagged separately as BONE BAG #1

Just to the N of the Bone, interesting worked piece of stone

Trench.....75/2.....Initials.....NW.....Date.....29/04/02 Page.....  
Locus.....Spit..... Locus.....Spit..... Feature/s.....

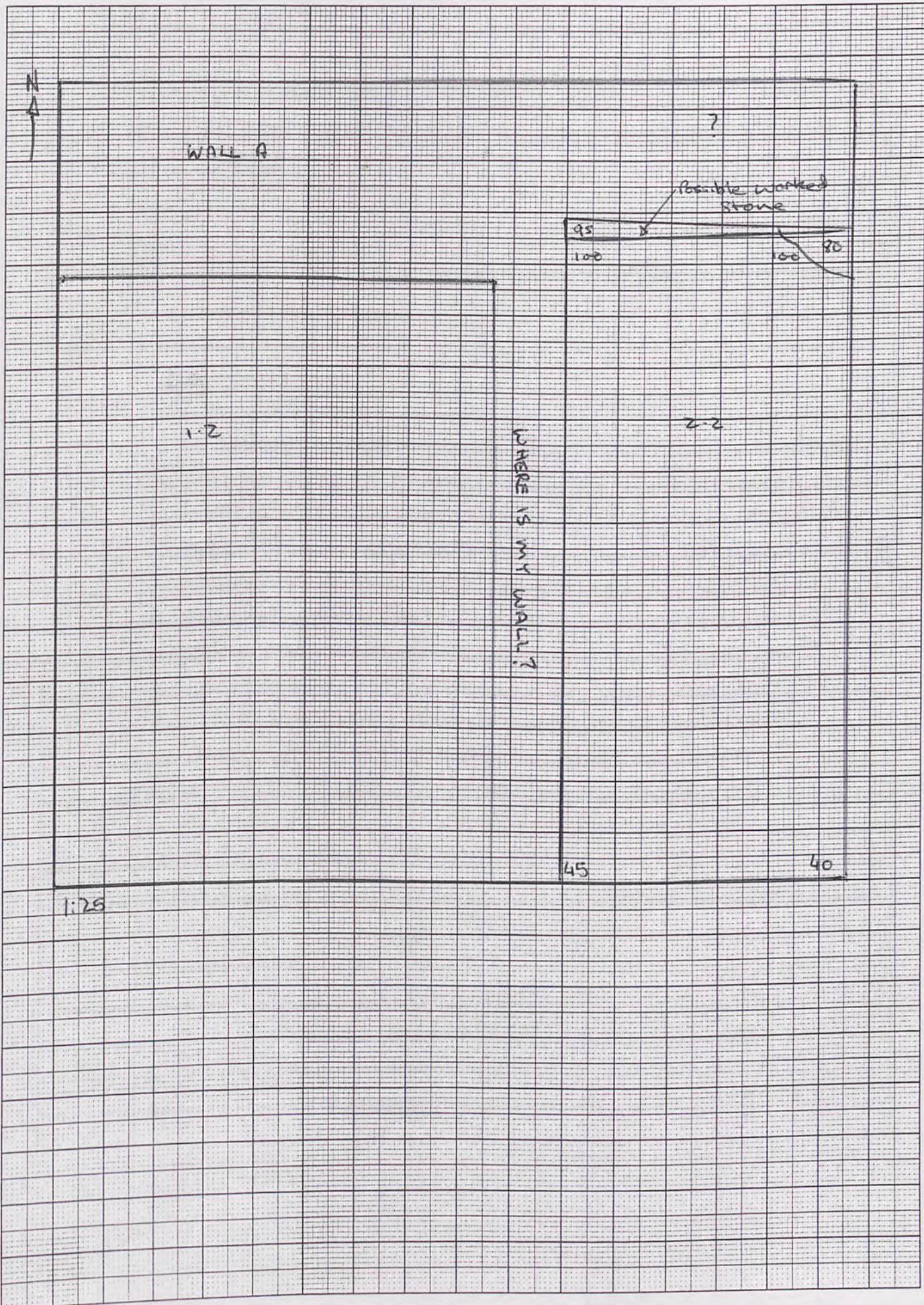
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Pottery	1		
Bone	1		
Charcoal	1		
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

## Context Report

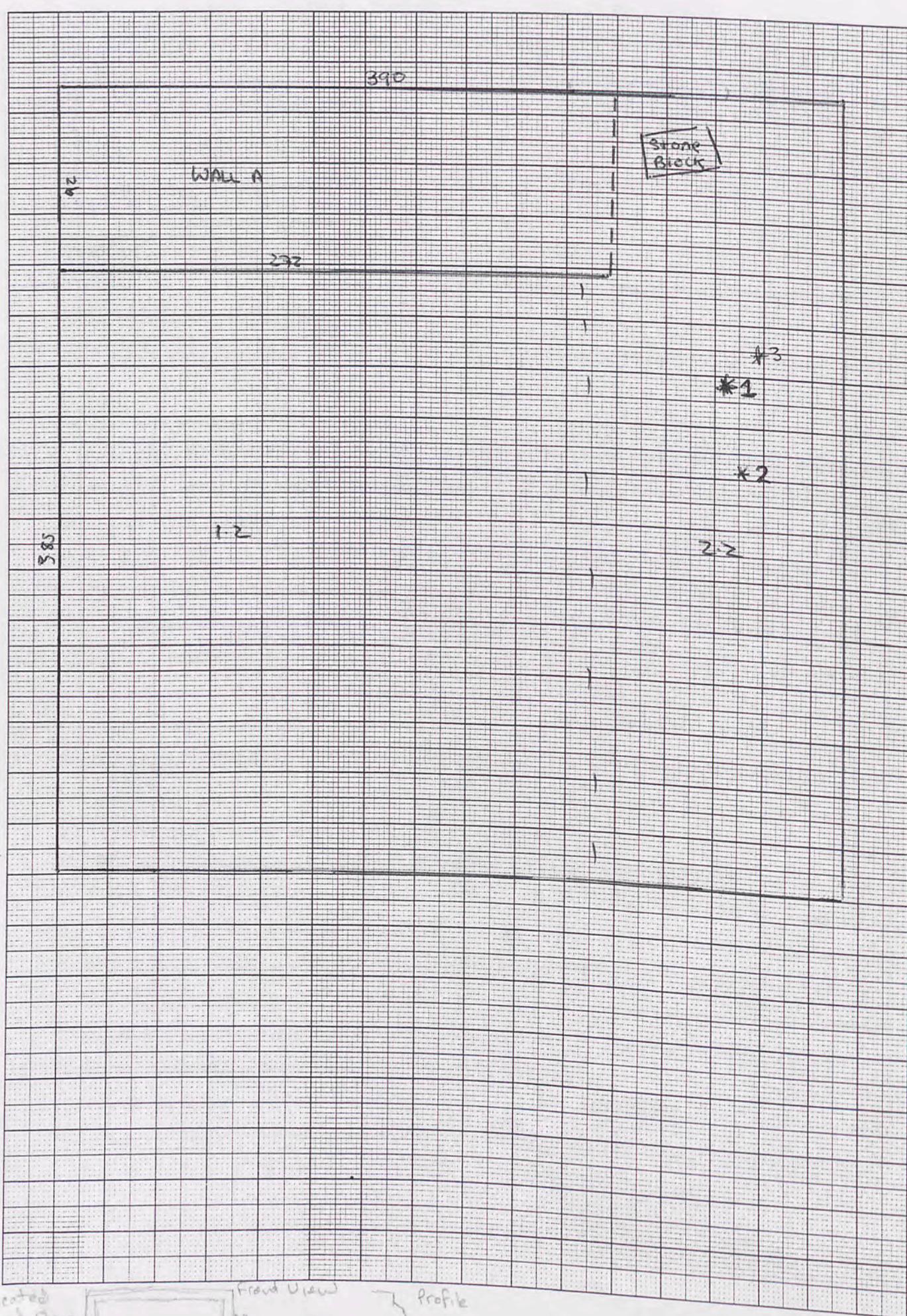
2.2 Still searching for the Mysterious Wall B. trying to recruit bold Adventurers from the workers - Disheartened by lack of wall.

10:45 am still no wall. am amazed + not a little annoyed. Spent most of morning drawing Rautes of 78/1. Nothing happening here

Depth of 95 cm in Northern Portion of 2.2, a possible worked piece of stone appears to Run E-W



## 1mm Squares



2.2 B

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Trench.....25/2.....Initials.....NW.....Date.....30/04/02 Page.....  
Locus.....Spit..... Locus.....Spit..... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery			
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
1	Iron frags.	2-2	
2	" "	2-2	

## Context

## Report

2.2 little lacking in inspiration this morning after GC incident.  
Questioning after a floor before taking down my  
central "wall" which appears to be more baulk than  
structure in cross section.

2 pieces of Green Glaze Ware  $\frac{1}{2}$  110 cm Depth, Bagged  
separately to avoid further damage. Pot bag # 2.

the Worked stone block is becoming more apparent.  
Frontage 55 x 22 cm No idea yet how deep.  
"Rock faced Rustication" Similar but smaller than Acrop. foundations

\*1 Iron Fragments at Depth 110 cm

#2 II V I I I Sitting on Jebel

No obvious floor in Z-2

Trench...TS/2.....Initials..NW.....Date01/05/02 Page....  
Locus...2.....Spit...2.... Locus...1.....Spit...2.... Feature/s.....

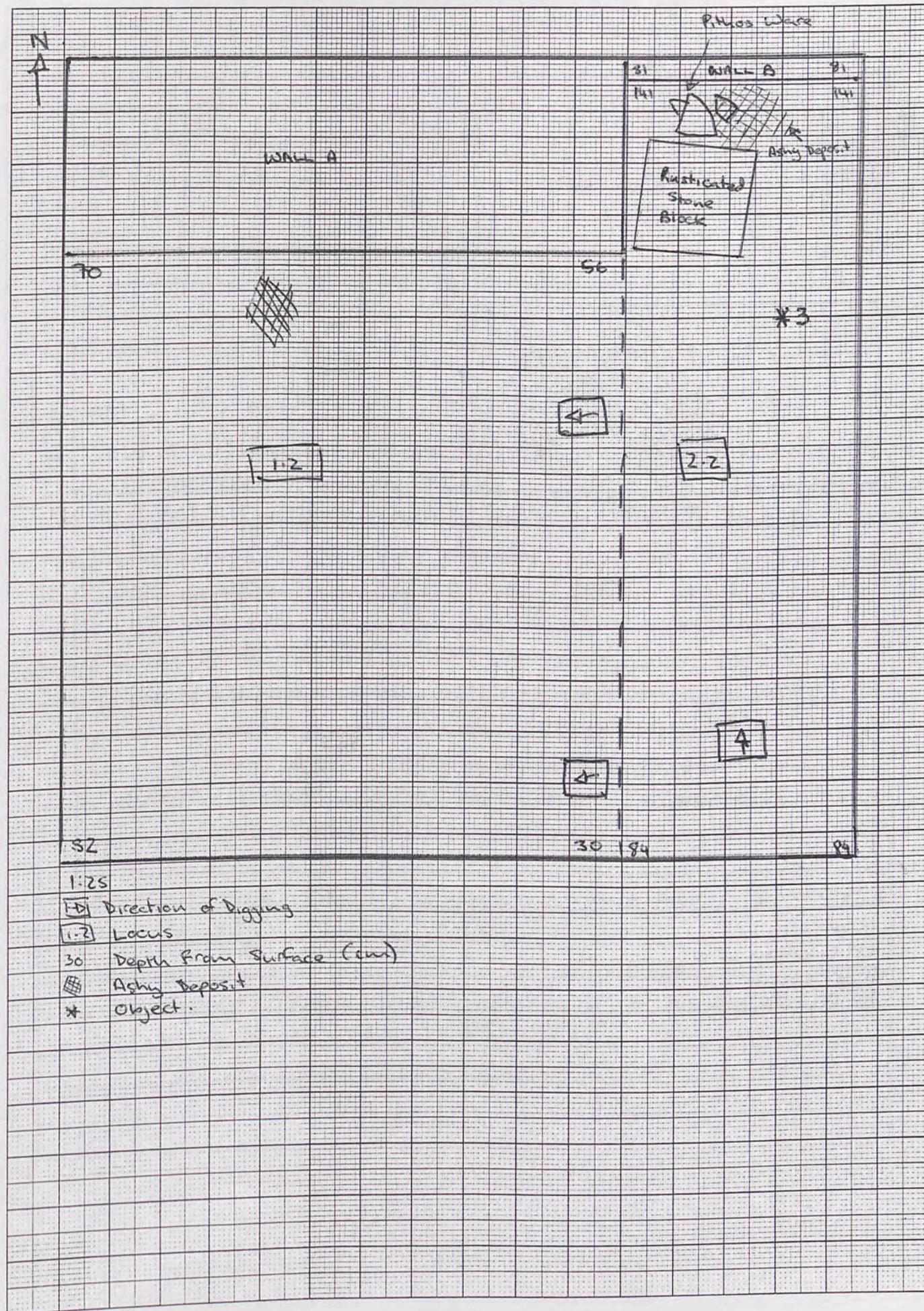
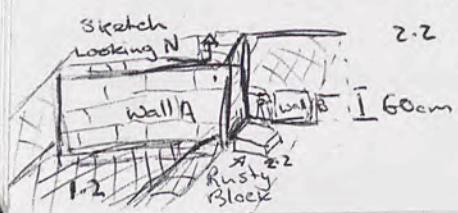
	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery		1	1
Bone			
Charcoal		1	
Soil Samp			
Other (Tile)		1	
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

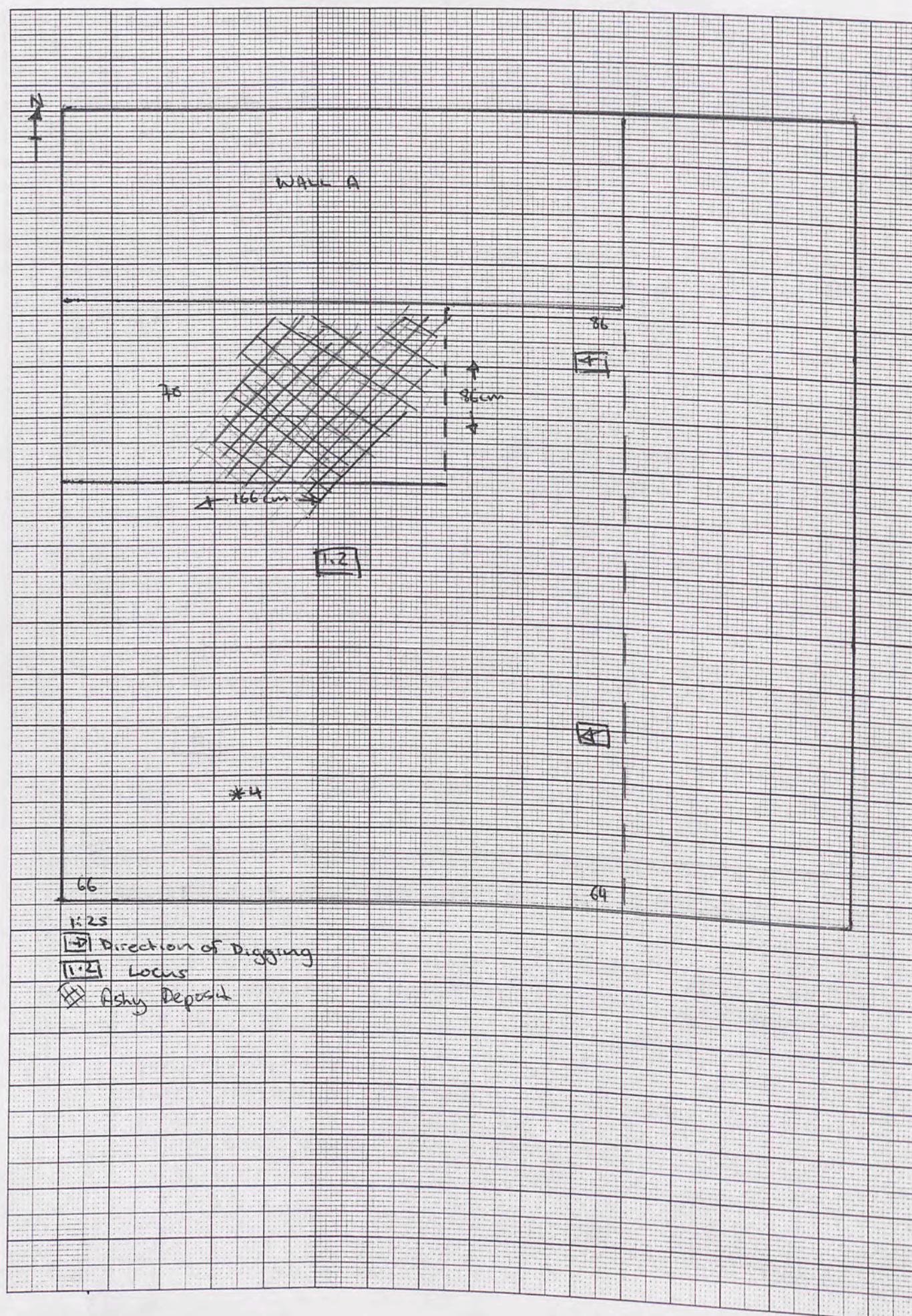
Context	Report
2.2	Final clearing up of 2.2 - Locus-beyond-the-wall-that-never-was. hoping to at least clean up the rusticated stone blocks.
	A seemingly well constructed wall has appeared jutting about an inch out of the Northern baulk to the East of wall A. It only seems to rise half way up the baulk. to be known as wall B. Full dimensions - Height: 60cm that is all.
	the worked Rusticated block clearly sits on bedrock, h: 22, w: 55, l: 22 sitting just in front of the wall B.
*	3-Iron shish type fragment, lying on bedrock, broke During Extraction
	Ashy deposit on bedrock between Wall B + Rusticated Block, soil sample taken.
	Cleaning for Peters - CS 3, 22, 23
	Rusty Block <del>forces</del> bares striking p - - -

Rusty Block ~~process~~ bares striking resemblance to the large block making up the central part of exposed wall to

1.2 moving across to clean out rest of bens 1

.2 Removed 3 large fragments of Pithos from Next to  
+ Below ashy deposit.





## 1mm Squares

Trench 7s/z Initials NW Date 05/05/02 Page....  
Locus..... Spit..... Locus..... Spit..... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery			
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
4	Fig Frag	1.2	
5	Glass frag	1.2 m with pottery	

## Context Report

- 1.2 last day of work before mid-season break. slightly overcast, chance of rain. Taking 1.2 down to bedrock - fingers crossed. hoping to find wall foundations running N-S along the edge of locus' 1+2.

\* 4 - Figurine fragment - Part of female torso, right breast + girdle - Depth 55 cm  
Lovely finger prints apparent on the inside surface

The Ashy deposit originally encountered on the 28<sup>th</sup> of April is beginning to look a bit more extensive than just an isolated circle. It has a  $\pm$  6 cm depth

\* 5 - Glass frag revealed in amongst the pottery Zambell, location in trench unknown.

Worked Stone blocks emerging to N of 1.2, to be called Feature A. Depth of 70 cm.

Trench... 7S/2..... Initials.... NW..... Date... 06/05/02 Page....  
 Locus....!.... Spit?.... Locus....?.... Spit?.... Feature/s.... A.....

1 3

	No. of bags	Cont 1-2	Cont 1-3	2-2
Pottery		1	1	1
Bone		1	1	
Charcoal				
Other (Tile)				
Photos bw				
Photos col.				

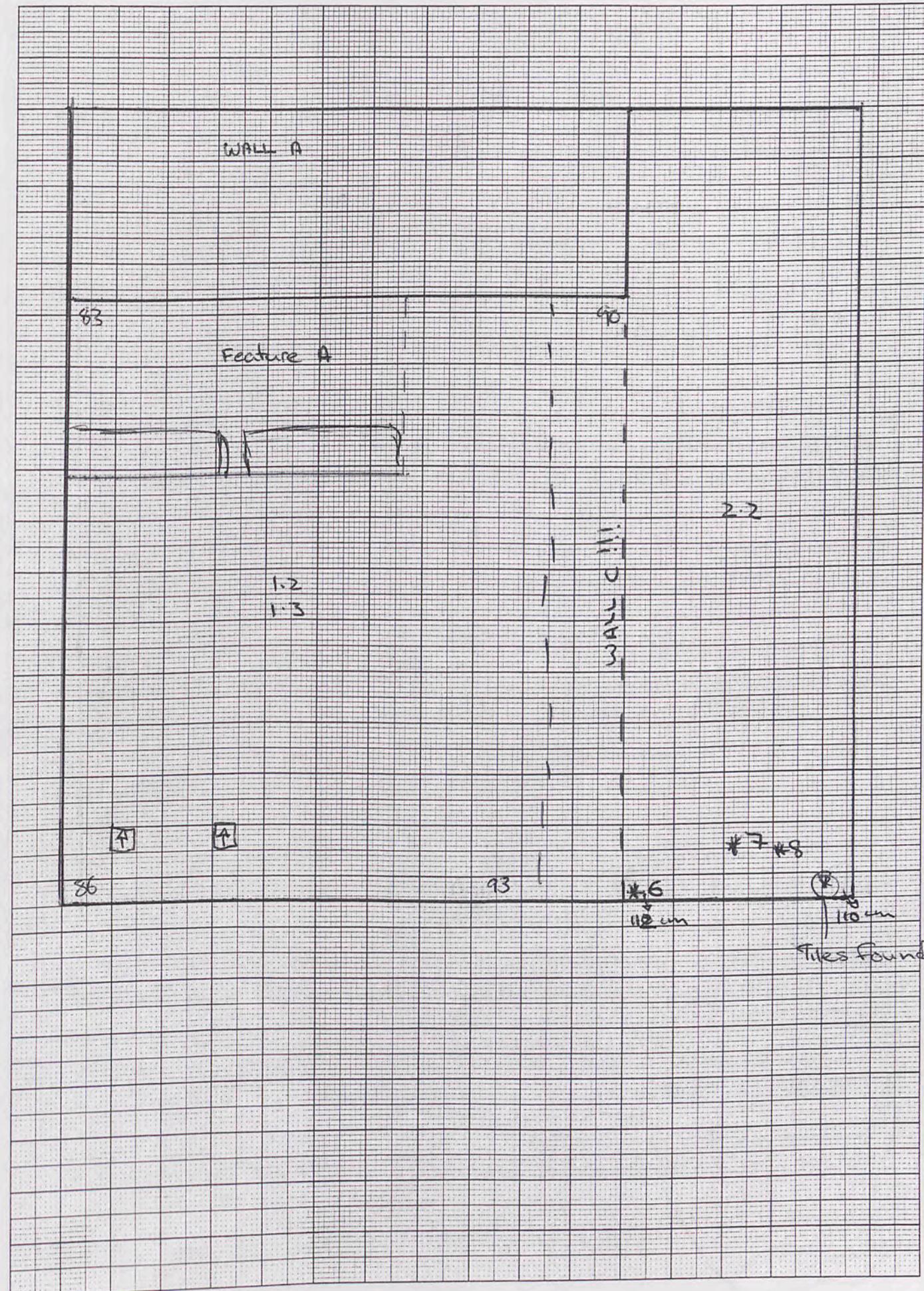
No.	Object	Cont 2-2	Cont
6	Lamp Base	2-2	
7	Bronze Pin?	2-2	
8	Fig Frag.		

#### Context

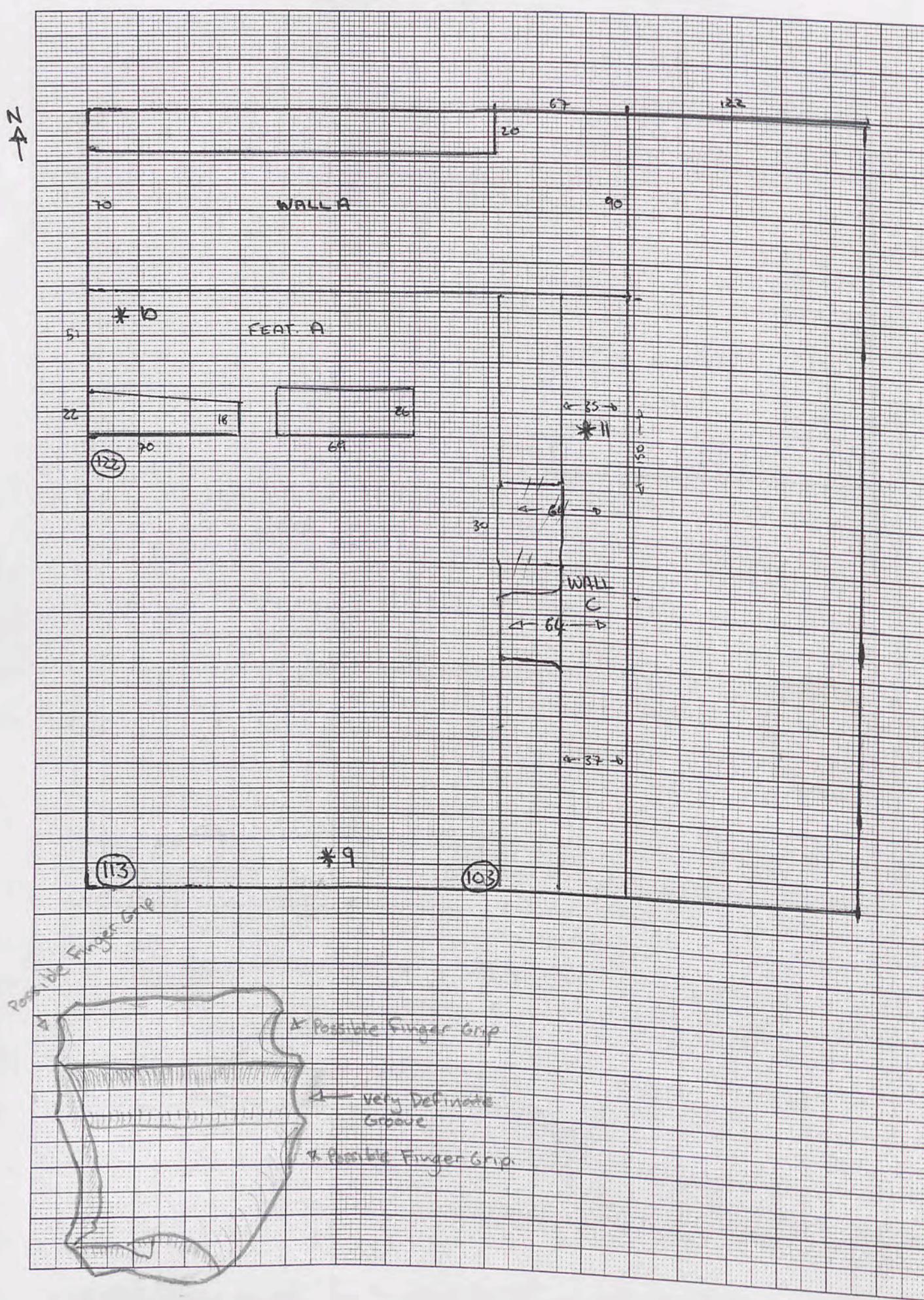
#### Report

- 1-2 starting to dig from the SW corner of 1-2 up towards feature A. 10 tile fragments have come up in the corner. the workers don't appear to distinguish between these + Pithos ware which is understandable but tedious.
- A The height + construction of Feature A matches a similar feature in adjoining trench 7S/5 + I would suggest that my feature is a direct continuation of that in 7S/5.
- Finally found my wall, the foundations at least, rising just above bed rock Wall C.
- \* 6 Lamp Base found in very corner of wall C + the baulk in Locus 2-2 on bedrock.
- 1-3 Change of locus for area below level of Wall C.
- \* 7 Bronze Pin - Found when exploring the exact whereabouts of Jebel in S of 2-2
- 2-2 Accidentally showed workers lack of Jebel, they seem determined to find it in the south of 2-2. Tiles have turned up in S of 2-2 at depth 98 cm.
- \* 8 Same Depth, Fig fragment of unreconcilable body part

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Trench 75/2 Initials NW Date 07/05/02 Page....  
Locus 1 Spit 3 Locus Spit Feature/s A.....

	No. of bags	Cont 1-3	Cont
Pottery		1	
Bone		1	
Charcoal		1	
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
9	Shaped Stone 1-3		
10	Knuckle Bone 1-3 Feature A.		

Context	Report
1-3	Today, we shall find Jebel in locus 1. That is the Plan. Wall C is looking even more piecemeal than yesterday but it certainly exists. We also seem to have acquired a new installation in the SW corner which may or may not have been invented by the workers.
	Observation. the wall of feature A rises to about the same height as the highest point of Wall C. It also appears to end at wall C, suggesting that it dates to a Period of occupation before the Wall (C) was brought down.
	The SW installation was quite definitely tumble left in situ by un inspired workers. Now being Removed. Tile Frag under tumble, Depth 90cm
* 9	Shaped Stone from directly E of tile. Depth 90cm very definite groove + Possible Finger Grips.
	Cleaning up around 1.3 at Jebel, then moving to Feature A.

\* 10 - Knuckle Bone (spelling?) looks slightly carved - 2 very straight sides. Possible Game Piece.

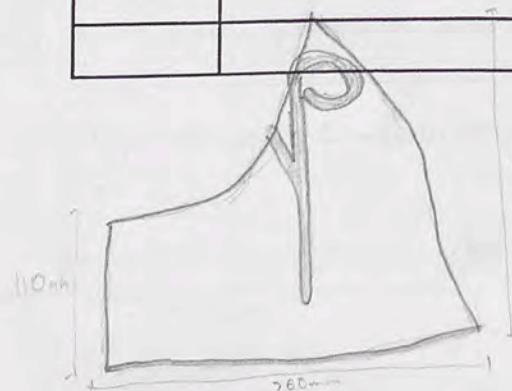
FEAT. A - Taken to Jebel, now cleaning up a bit.

Trench 75/2 Initials M.J. Date 08/05/02 Page....  
 Locus 3 Spit 2 Locus ..... Spit ..... Feature/s .....

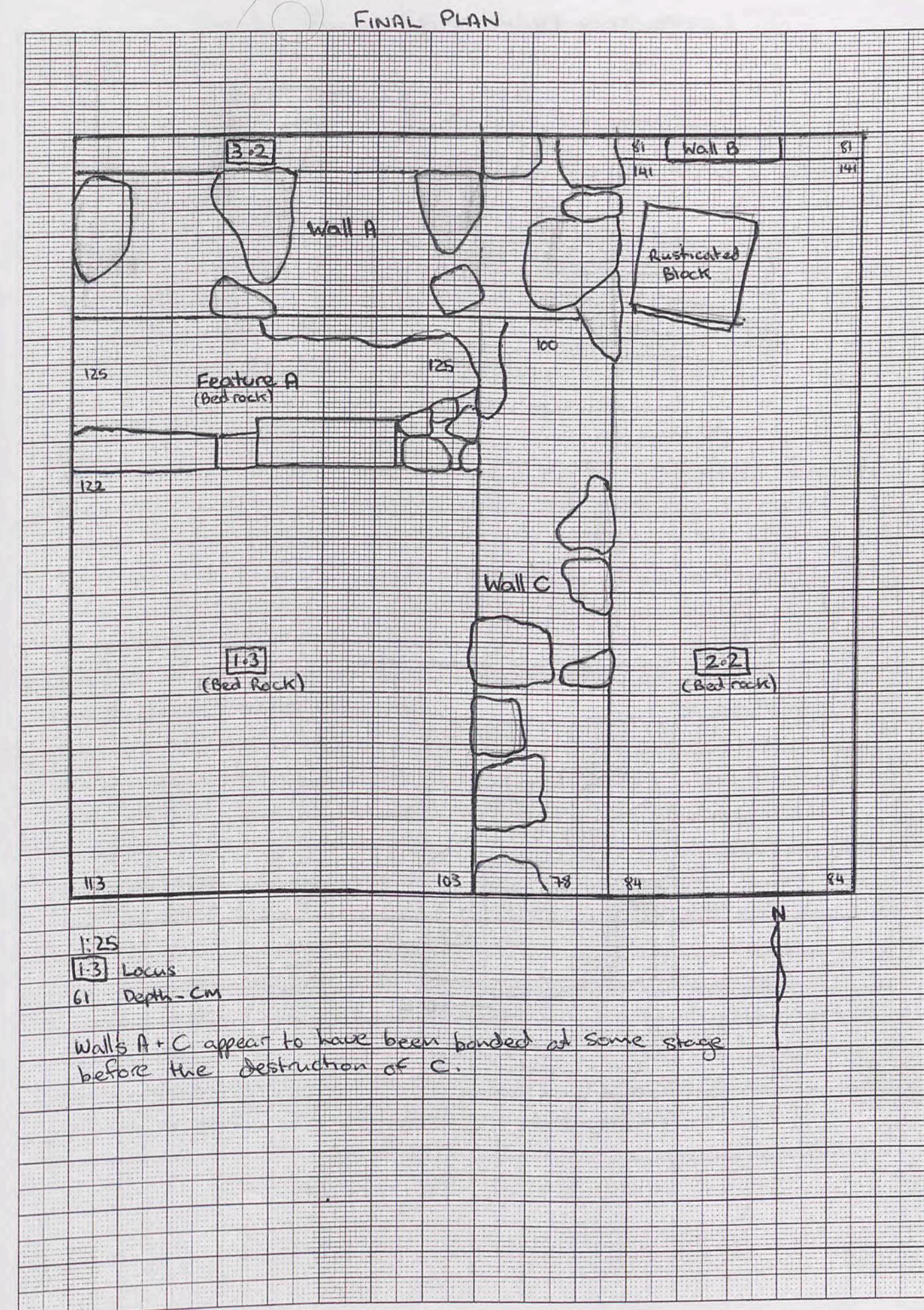
	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	1		
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
11	Teeny bit O Bronze 1.3		
12	Marked Roof tile ?		

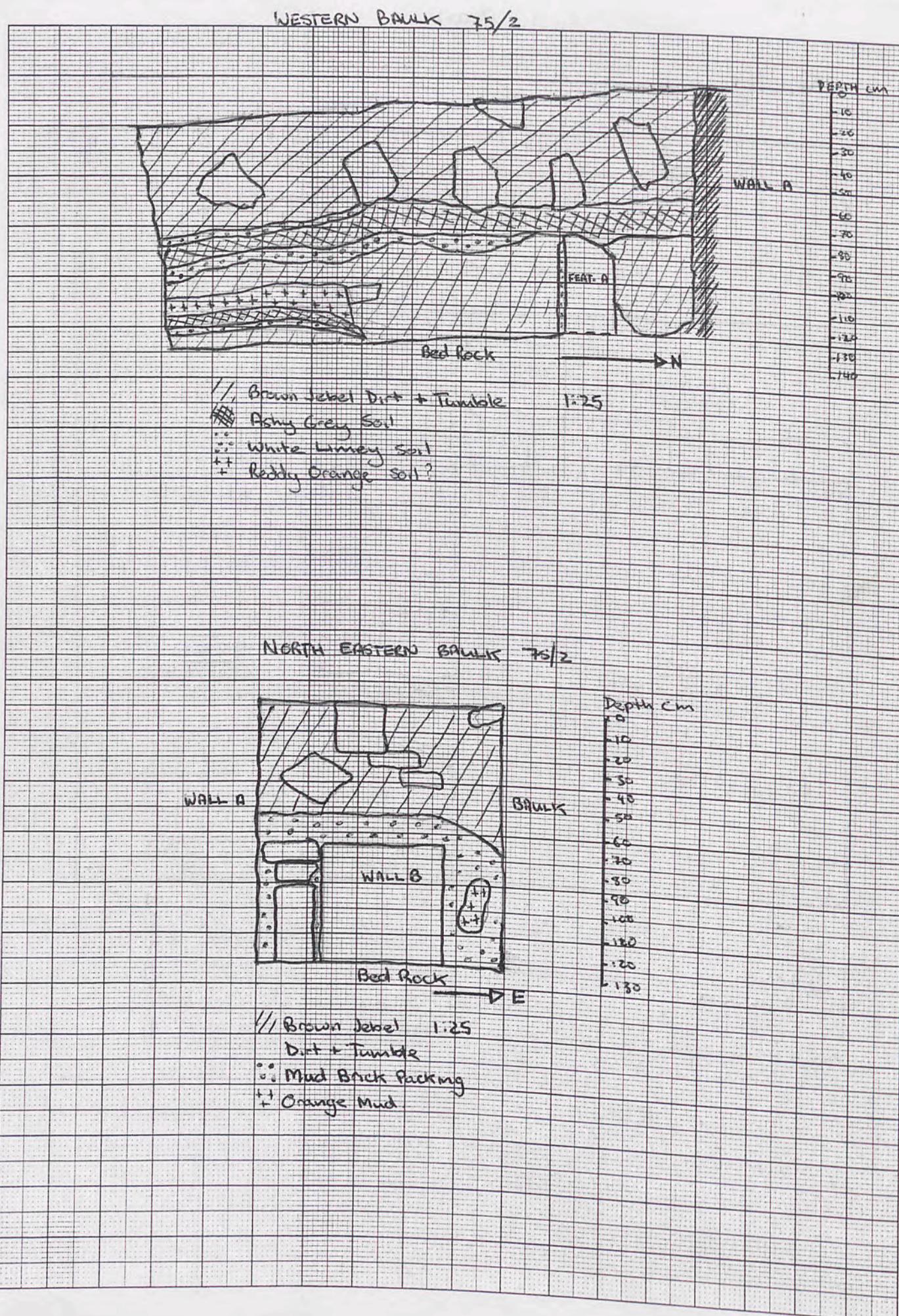
Context	Report
3.2	Overcast. chance of Rain. Starting today having a dig in Locus 3, the Region NW of Wall A with the aim of better defining the Wall. - A few problems with the workers trying to remove the baulks. Again digging up Roof tiles. Dug to Depth $\frac{1}{2}$ 40 cm.
* 11	Cleaning up trench. Teeniest Bronze fragment found when sweeping the top of Wall C. See yesterday's Top Plan for location.
	Photos CS 5 S+6 BW 7 20-4
09/05/02	- In the morning light, one of the Roof tiles displayed a large mark presumably pressed in while the clay was still wet. Resembling a 'rho' with a little extra bit 'P'. unfortunately unsure as to exactly where in the trench it came from.



Marked Roof tile.



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FINAL Report 75/2

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Trench 75/2.....Initials MW.....Date 11-05-02 Page 1.  
 Locus.....Spit..... Locus.....Spit..... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery			
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont

## Context Report

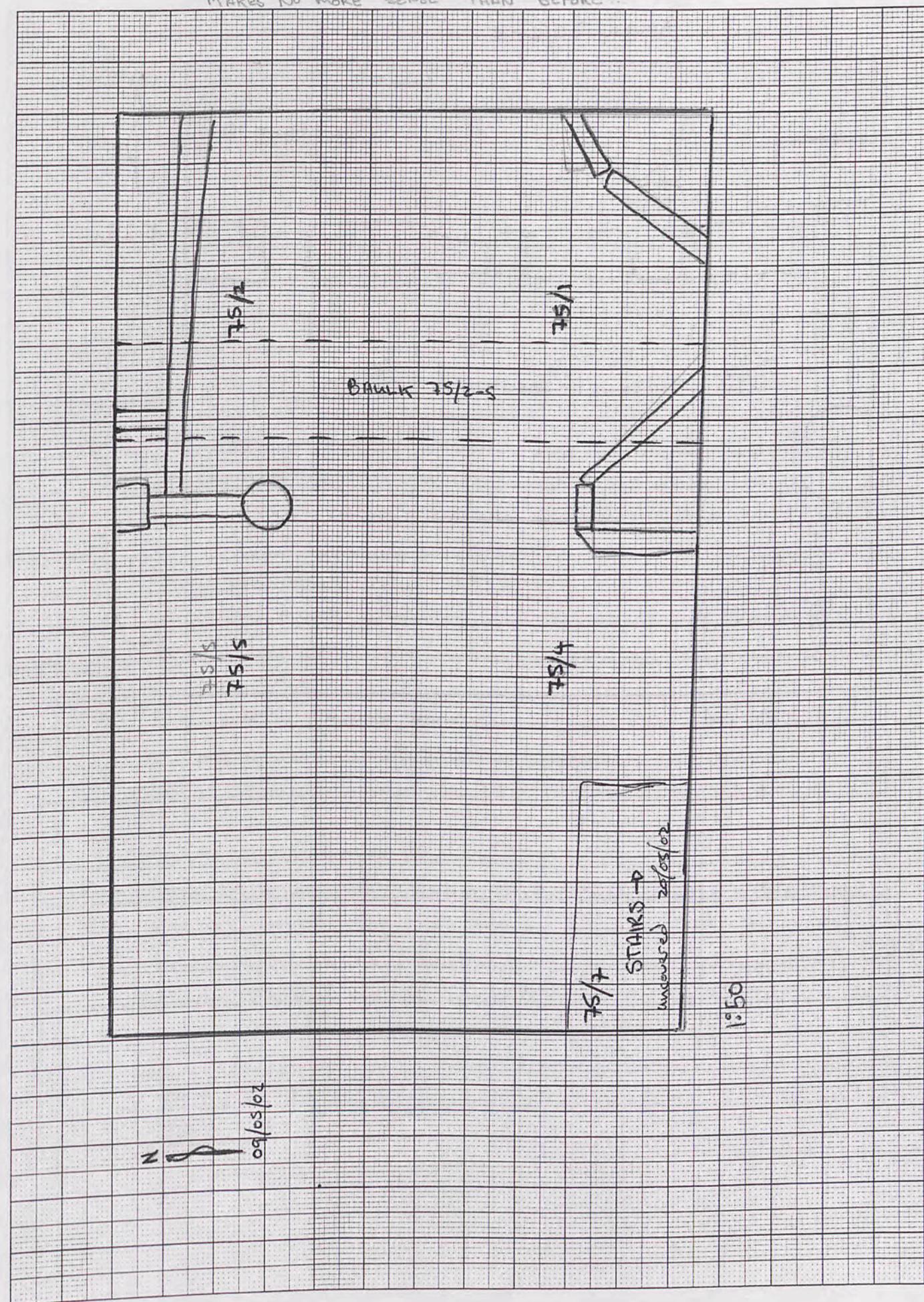
Locus 1 Forming the NE corner of the same courtyard present in 75/1, 4+5. This Locus continues the areas tradition of confusing architecture. The Western Baulk displayed several context changes that were not apparent during digging. The Ashy Deposit uncovered in the central Northern portion of this locus on the 28<sup>th</sup> of April appears to have covered at least the western portion of the trench, + sits comfortably above Feature A.

The Feature itself lies on Jebel + is formed of large worked stones connected by mud brick. The limey looking layer running vertically up the Feature seen in the western baulk turned out to be a mud lining over both stones + mud brick areas of the installation. As to the Feature's Purpose, I can see no sure answer. A possible flower bed? Garden?, an area designed for storage? what can be said is that it was either constructed in the first phase of occupation, or that there was a great deal of cleaning up before it was built as it sits on the bedrock + stands higher than Wall C.

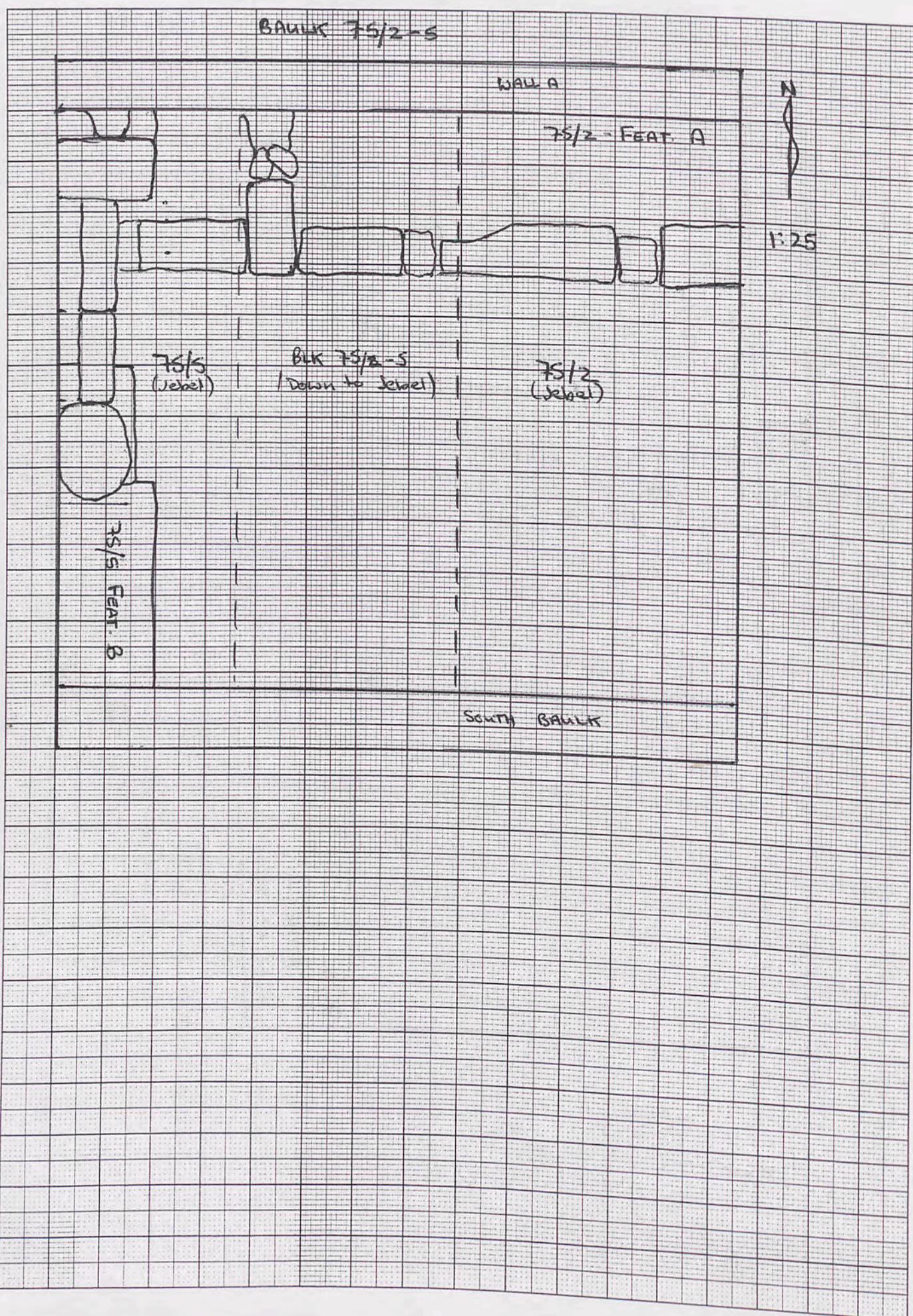
Trench.....	Initials.....	Date.....	Page.....	
Locus.....	Spit.....	Locus.....	Spit.....	Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery			
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

Context	Report
	which it abuts.
	Wall C which caused untold anguish whilst we were digging had been considerably deconstructed - removed presumably to open up the two spaces, Locus 1+2 in this trench. The walls highest extant part sits just below the level of the top of Feature A so the Ashy layer of occupation should have covered what remains of the wall.
	Locus 2 is a complete mystery. Following the theory developed in 7S/1, that the NS wall divided 2 households, the removal of wall C would have joined up the two.?



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## BAULK REMOVAL 75/2-S

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Trench BLK 75/2-5 Initials ND Date 09/05/02 + 11/05/02 = 12/05/02

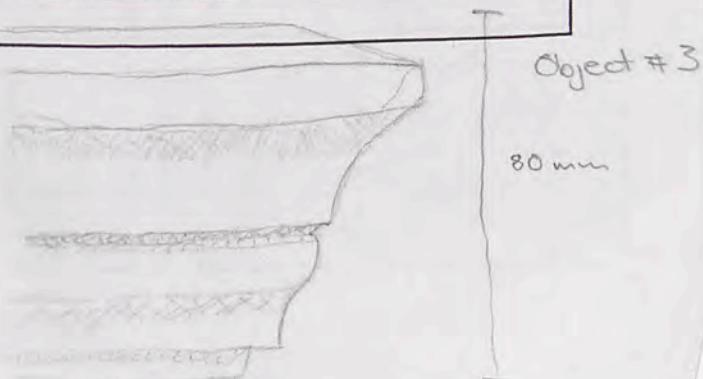
Locus..... Spit..... Locus..... Spit.... Feature/s.....  
1 3

	No. of 1-2 bags	Cont 1-2	Cont 1-3
Pottery	1	1	
Bone	1	1	
Charcoal	1	1	
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
1	Glass frag	1-1	
2	"	1-2	
3	Worked Stone	1-2	
4	Iron frags	1-2	
5	Fig Frag	1-3	

## Context Report

1.1	Day One of Baulk Removal. * 1 - Glass frag in topsoil
1.1	Dug to depth 18cm in the S, 20cm in the North.
1.2	Day Two of Baulk Removal chunk of Basalt 100x90x40mm Removed at depth of 40cm * 2 - Glass frag
	* 3 - Worked stone - possibly a corner of <del>Architrave</del> Architrave.
	* 4 - Iron frags, <u>not</u> Nails.
1.2	Dug to Depth. 80 in the S, 75 above Feature A, 110 S of Feature A
1.3	Day Three of Baulk Removal. Proceeding as expected. Feature A of trench 75/2 - The low wall of worked stone continues (l) into 75/5 to meet up with a similar construction. - Small wall dividing Feature A * 5 horrid little Fig fragment. Finger Prints on the Back/inside. Dug to Jebel. Cleaning For Photos.
	cS 5, 23-7
	BW 9, 23-31



New Trench. 76/3

Trench 76/3 Initials NW Date 13/05/02 + 14/05/02  
Locus..... Spit..... Locus..... Spit..... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	1		
Bone	1		
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.	HJ-3.12		

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
1	Lamp frag.	1.2	
2	Fig frag.	"	

## Context Report

- 1.1 Clearing topsoil. Nothing truly significant to say  
~~the N~~ In the N seem or so have been previously excavated + a shanty wall (wall A) Running NS appears to be present.  
The North Western Corner is covered in tumble. cleared + Photographed HJ.3.12

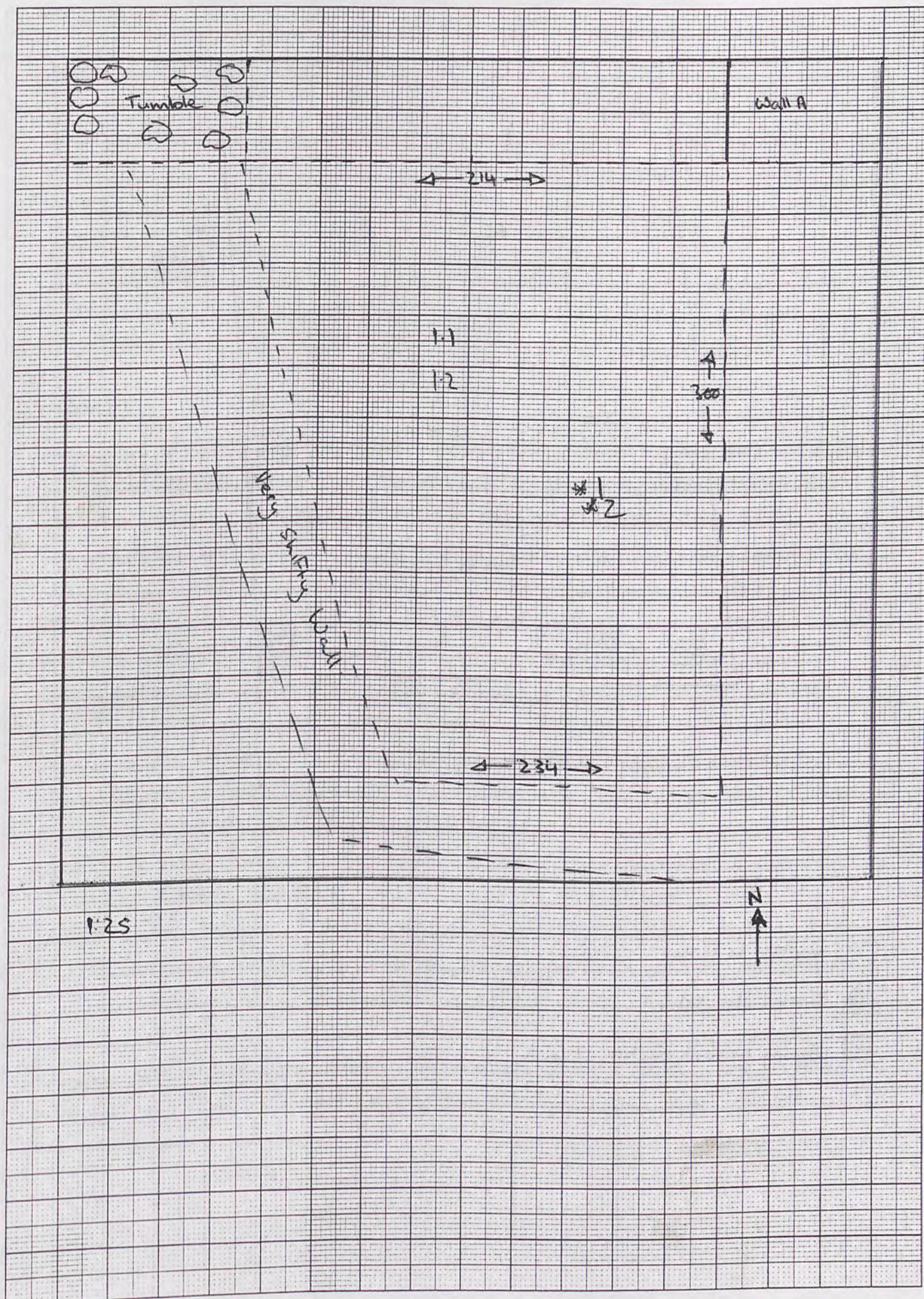
14/05/02 New locus 1.2, below topsoil. Rain.

\* 1 Lamp frag

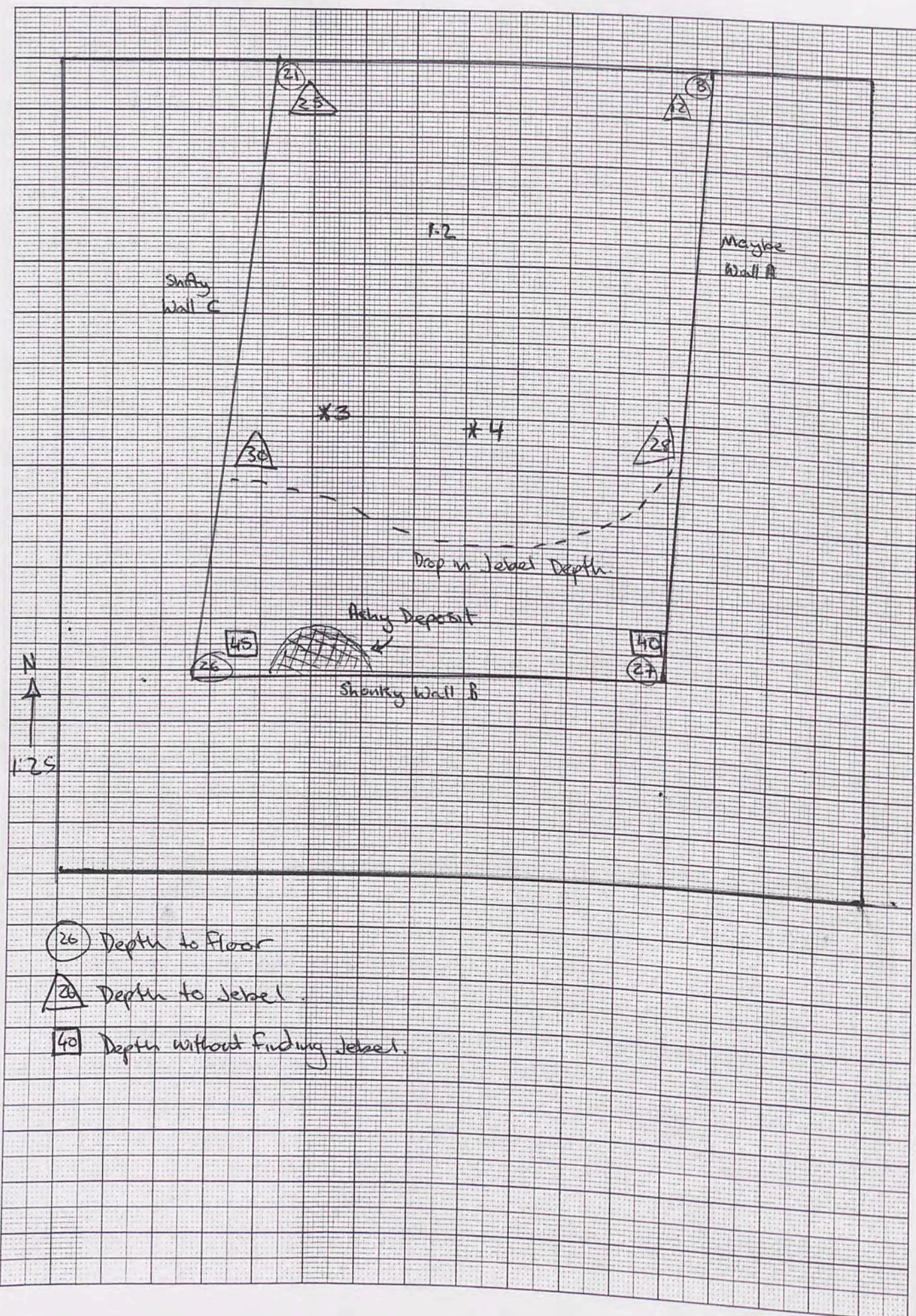
\* 2 Possible Fig frag, looks very rough.  
Wall A has a little potential though there are two other very shifty looking walls running EW + NS forming 3 sides of a rather small room.

Rained out ÷ 10:30.

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1mm Squares



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Trench.....76/3.....Initials.....MJ.....Date....15/05/02.....Page....  
Locus.....!.....Spit..... Locus.....!.....Spit..... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont 1.2	Cont 1.3
Pottery	1	1	1
Bone	1	1	1
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont 1.2	Cont 1.3
3	Possible Fig Frag	1.2	
4	Iron Frag (Nail?)	1.3	

Context	Report
1.2	Working in the area between Wall A (to the E) Wall B (to the South) + Wall C (to the W). All three look very rough, though A is more promising.
*3	Possible Fig Frag, certainly ceramic, can't quite make out diagnostic features. Depth $\approx$ 20 cm
	Feeling really quite ill.
1.3	Floor found! Spit change for area below floor. Depth of floor from Surface - NE:8, NW:21, SE:27, SW:26.
*4	Iron Frag, Possible Nail, who can say with the state that its in. Depth $\approx$ 28 cm
1.3	Ashy Deposit at Depth $\approx$ 25 cm in south against shoddy wall B The longer I look at each of the walls, the worse they look. Beginning to suspect wall A is rather imaginary as well!
	Searching for level, found it quite high up in the North, not yet even thought of in the South.

Trench...76/3.....Initials....NA.....Date 16/08/02 Page....  
Locus..... Spit..... Locus..... Spit..... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont 1.3	Cont 1.2
Pottery		1	1
Bone		1	
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.	HJ	3.	4

## Context Report

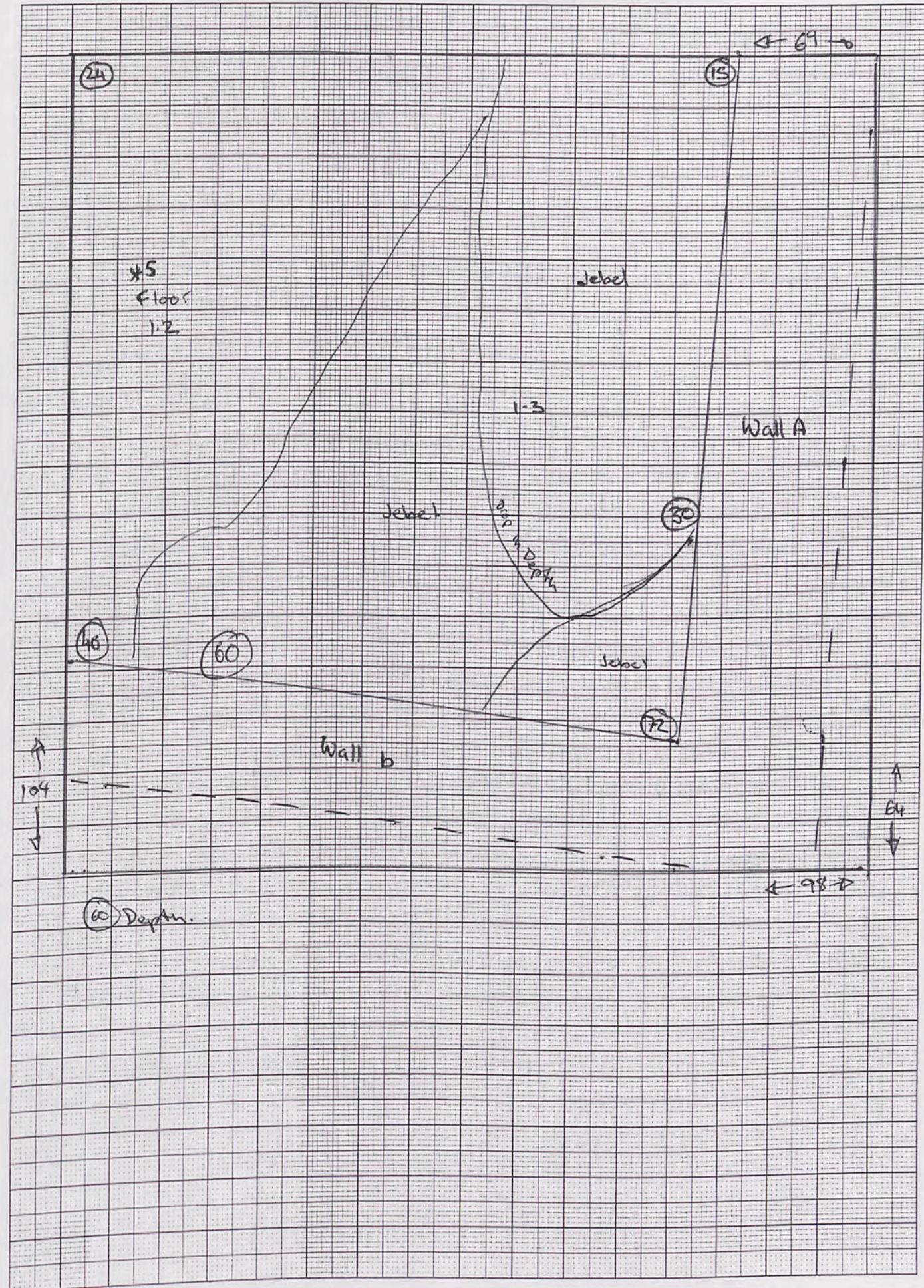
- 1.3 Looking for Jebel. Ground a bit wet, feeling ill.  
Also finally removing Wall C. Walls A + B have  
a single nice course of stones but only have  
dirt under this. Possibly secondary or much later.

Have been instructed to finish up today. Going  
to continue to remove Wall C + tidy up the  
rest of the trench a bit. If there is time  
we might dig a few inches down on the  
E side of Wall A.

1.2 # Found floor again below Wall C, decided  
to leave it

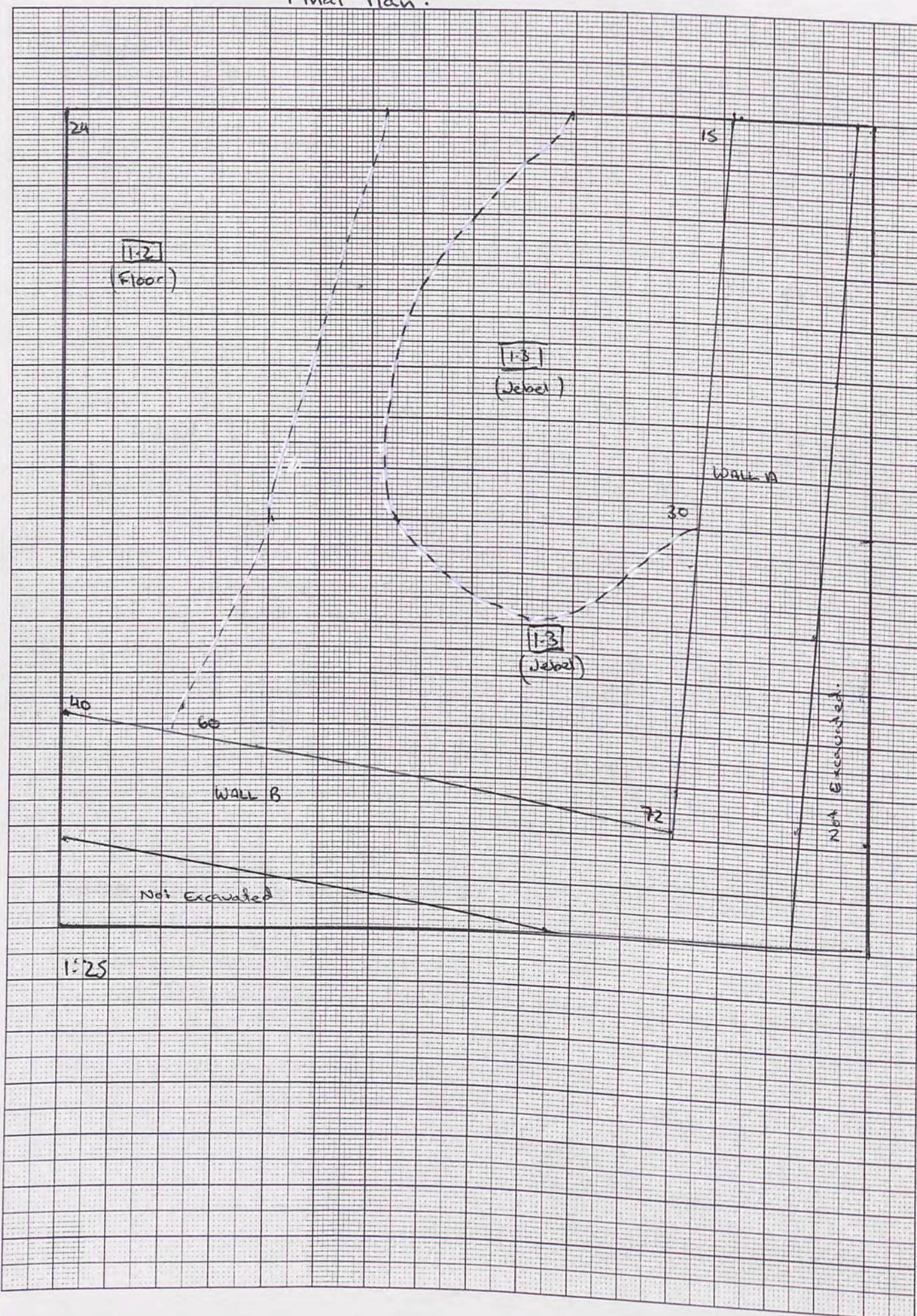
\* S-Ear Ring of Bronze with lots of little shiny  
bits...? Depth of 38 cm.

Cleaned up for photos.  
H.J. 3.4



## 1mm Squares

## Final Plan:



## FINAL Report.

Trench...76/3.....Initials...N.W.....Date 15/05/02 Page....

Locus.....Spit..... Locus.....Spit..... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery			
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

## Context Report

### **Report**

A very odd trench, from the surface, trench 76/3 appeared to have 3 walls enclosing a rather small area, + not aligned strictly NSEW, nor with the walls in adjoining trenches. After a single course of stones however, the walls seemed to stop + there ~~were~~ was a definite layer of Jebel dirt between the walls + bedrock. The floor/surface that we discovered on the 15<sup>th</sup> continued underneath Wall C when we subsequently removed the shonkiest of the walls. If there ever was a structure made of walls A, B + C then it was constructed significantly after later than the period of use of the floor... Maybe.

NEW BALK S8/8-5 S.Balk

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Trench S8/8-5 SBLK Initials NW Date 18/05/02 Page.....  
Locus..... Spit..... Locus..... Spit..... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery			
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

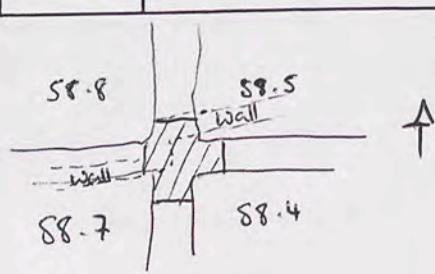
## Context Report

- 1.1 Day one of Bank Removal. Very Windy  
Two walls in 88-5 + 88-7 don't appear to meet  
up as both are on funny angles. Looking to  
see what they do.

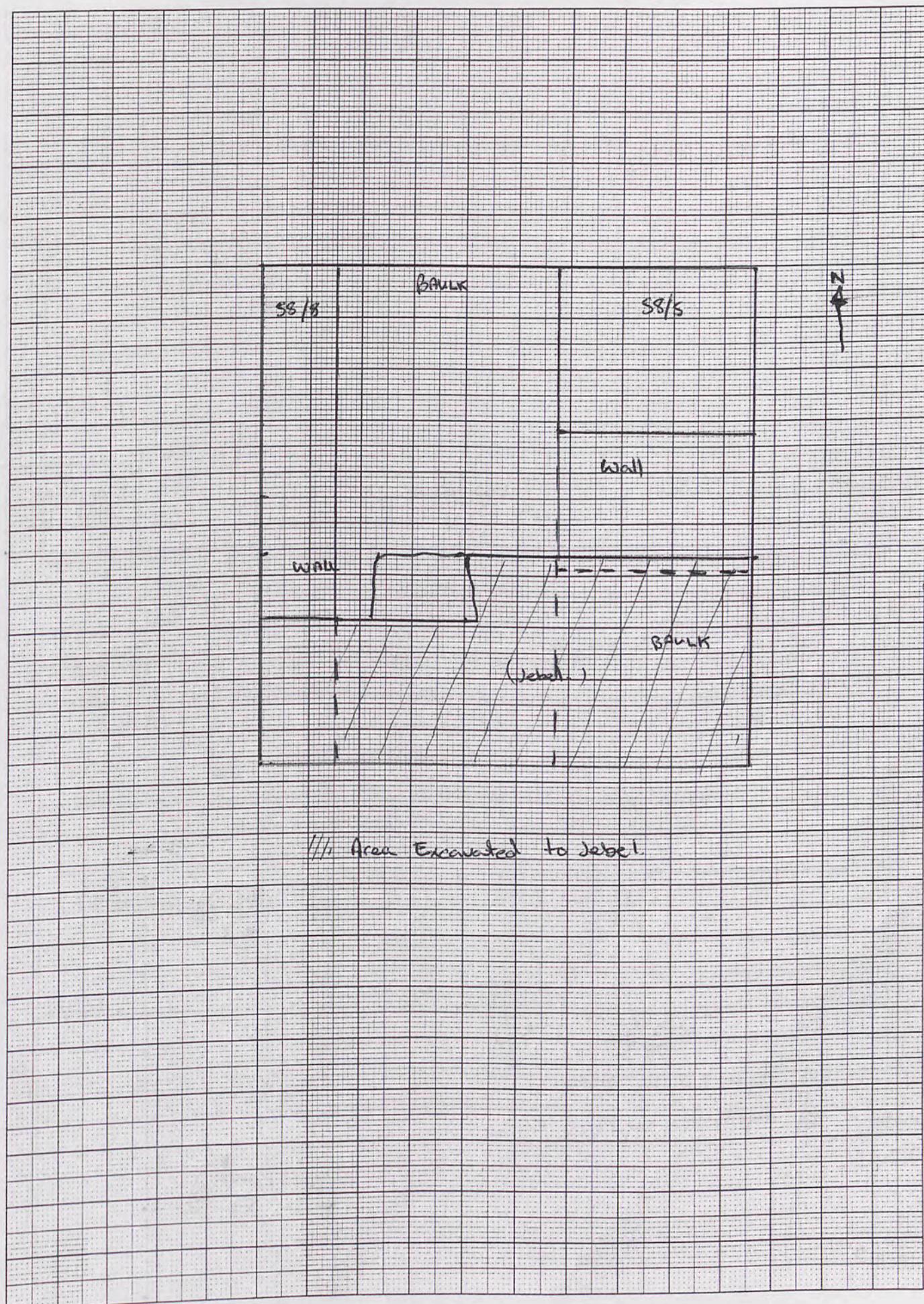
\*1 Glass frag. rim of a bowl of some sort. OB?

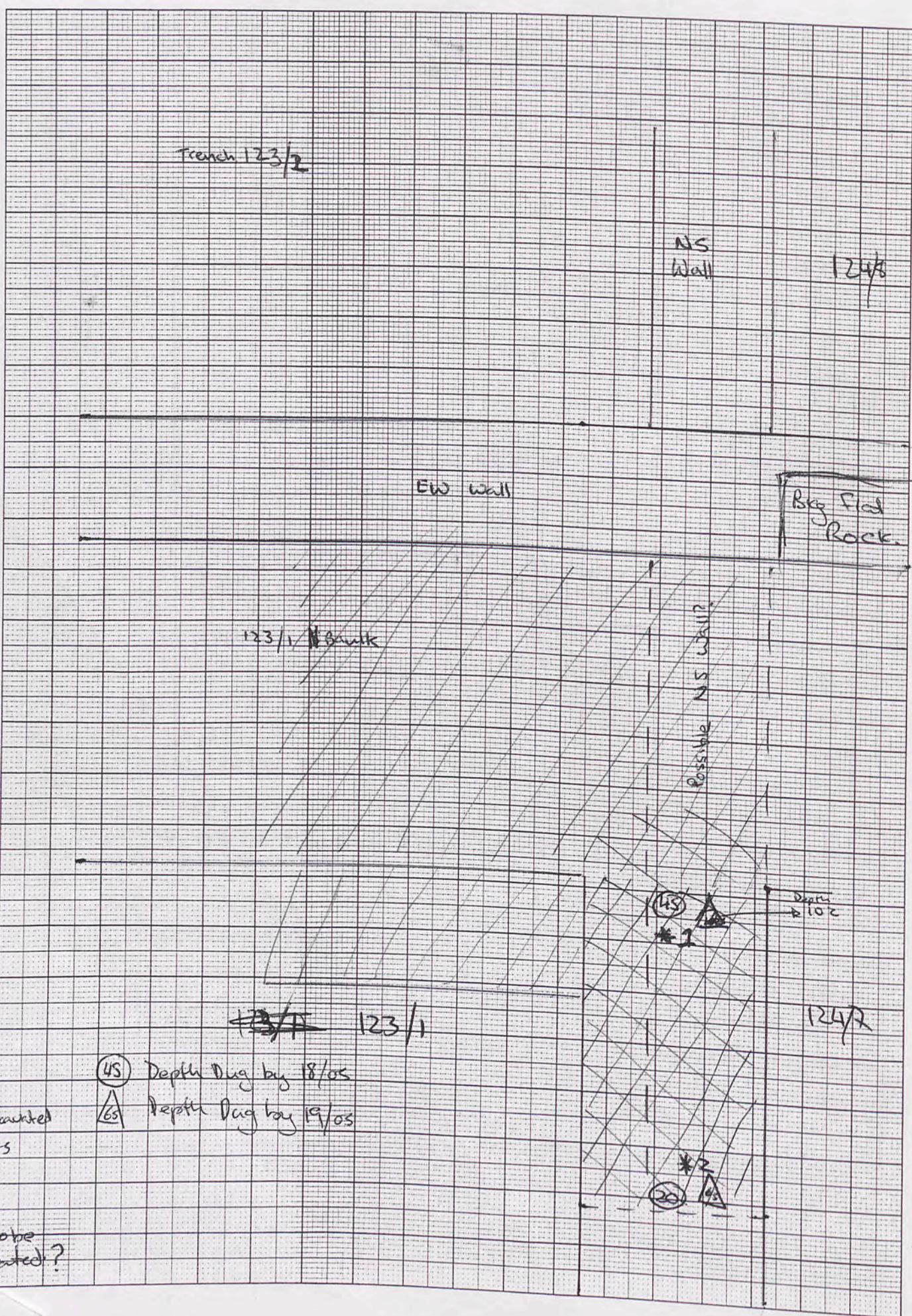
Cleared area, today is too windy for photos.  
to be cleaned up + photographed tomorrow.

The wall in the 3 baulks of 58/8 appears  
to terminate reach a point in the baulk  
+ turn N to meet up with the second  
wall in 88/5...



area to be excavated.





## 1mm Squares

NEW BAWLK 123/1 ~~\$~~<sup>E</sup> bawlk.

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Trench...1231...~~BLK~~ Initials....NW Date! 18/05/02 +19/05/02  
Locus..... Spit..... Locus..... Spit?..... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont 1.1	Cont 1.2
Pottery		1	1
Bone			1
Charcoal			1
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

## Context Report

18/05	1.1	Day One of Bank Removal. investigating NS wall - to see if it extends S of the EW wall in 123/1.
19/05	1.2	<p>Day Two of Bank Removal.</p> <p>At depth of 45 cm, the wall does not appear to extend to this point.</p> <p>Big Mess.</p> <p>* 1 cute little ceramic fig frog. at Depth. 95 cm.</p> <p>Depth of 90 cm along North, white solid chalky layer 6 cm thick.</p>

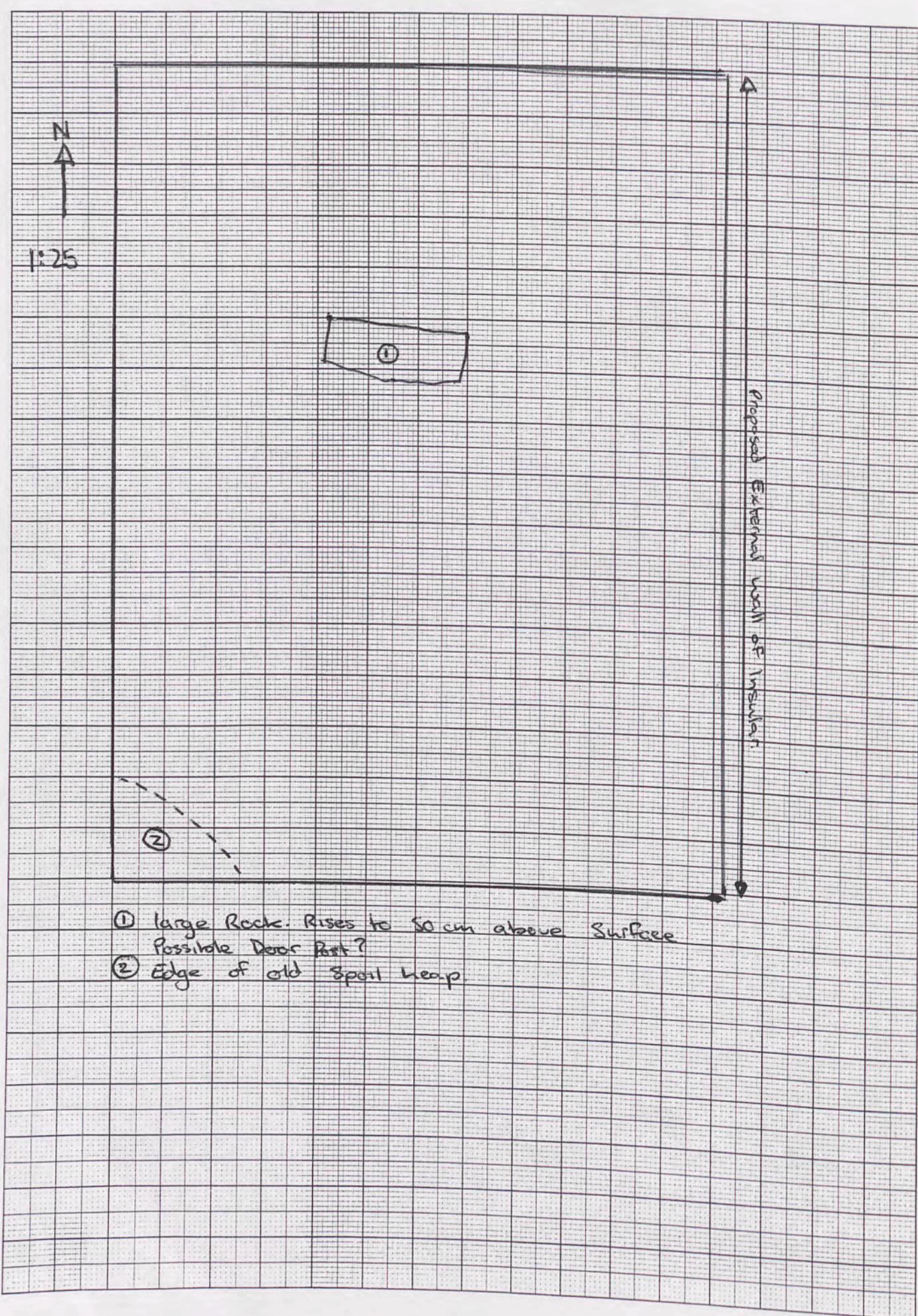


Trench 123/1 BLK Initials NW Date 20/05/02 Page...  
Locus..... Spit.... Locus..... Spit..... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery			
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

Context	Report
1.3	<p>Day Three of Bk removal.</p> <p>the Main Avenue of the N. Bank is being used by HA's team + further digging in this direction doesn't look possible at the moment.</p> <p>Cleaning the current area to bedrock + then looking at 124/7 to find if the excavation there stopped at a floor or an Jebel.</p>
#2	<p>Lamp Frag (see previous plan for location) Depth <math>\approx 185</math> cm</p> <p>Dug to Jebel. No sign of a Wall.</p> <p>Abandoning 124/7 Project. Happily.</p> <p>Just Cleaning up yesterday's work. Depth: 100 - 115 cm</p> <p>HA's team to take over main N. Avenue</p> <p>Going to change Name of all previous work to E Banks.</p>
	<p>Moving Down the Hill some more.</p>

## 1mm Squares



NEW SONDEAGE 206/7

Trench 206/7 Initials NW Date 20/05/09 Page....  
Locus..... Spit..... Locus..... Spit..... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	1		
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.	HJ-4.12-10		

Context

## Report

1.1 clearing topsoil. looking for the Insular  
immediately West of the main structure at  
what is presumed to be the SE corner.  
There is however, an indication that the NS  
external wall in this corner continues further  
S than the NS external wall <sup>"in"</sup> of the SW  
of the main insular.

A single large stone rises up to 50 cm above the  
ground level in the middle of the room. Possible  
Door Post, though strangely situated in relation  
to the proposed external wall to the E.

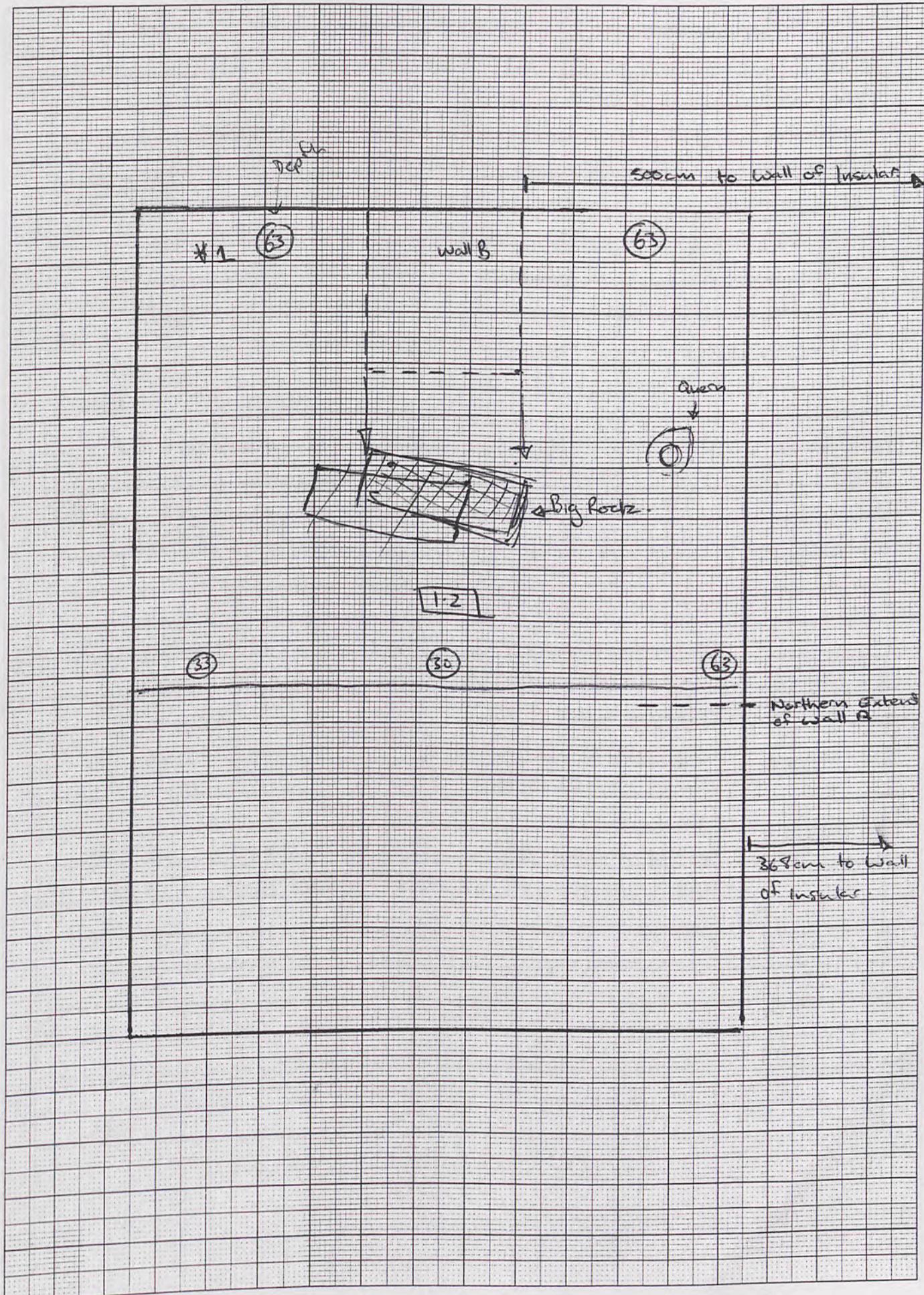
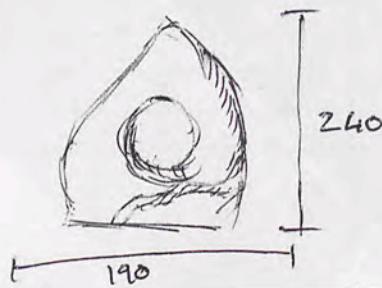
Trench 206/7 Initials NW Date 21/05/02 Page....  
 Locus 1 Spit 2 Locus..... Spit..... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery			
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
1	Fig Fragment	1.2	

Context	Report
1.2	Tuesday. Sunny. All good. Removing tumble, checking out the scene, looking for a wall or two.
	The NS wall in the East, (Wall A), that can be seen clearly from outside the trench, may not exist in the Northern half... There appears to be a second NS wall roughly in line with the tall tombstone like rock (Wall B). The E edge of Wall B is exactly 500cm from the W edge of the external wall of the opposite insular. Distance of Wall A to Insular - 368cm
	Wall B looking like joining up with Tomb/door stone.
	Stone Quern depth 30cm.
#1	Fig Fragment. little figurine head. Seems quite worn. depth. 50cm

Stone Quern.



## 1mm Squares

Trench 206/7.....Initials.....NW.....Date 22/05/04 Page....  
cus!.....Spit?..... Locus?.....Spit?... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery			
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
2	Glass frag.	1.3	
3	Iron bits.	1.3	

## Context Report

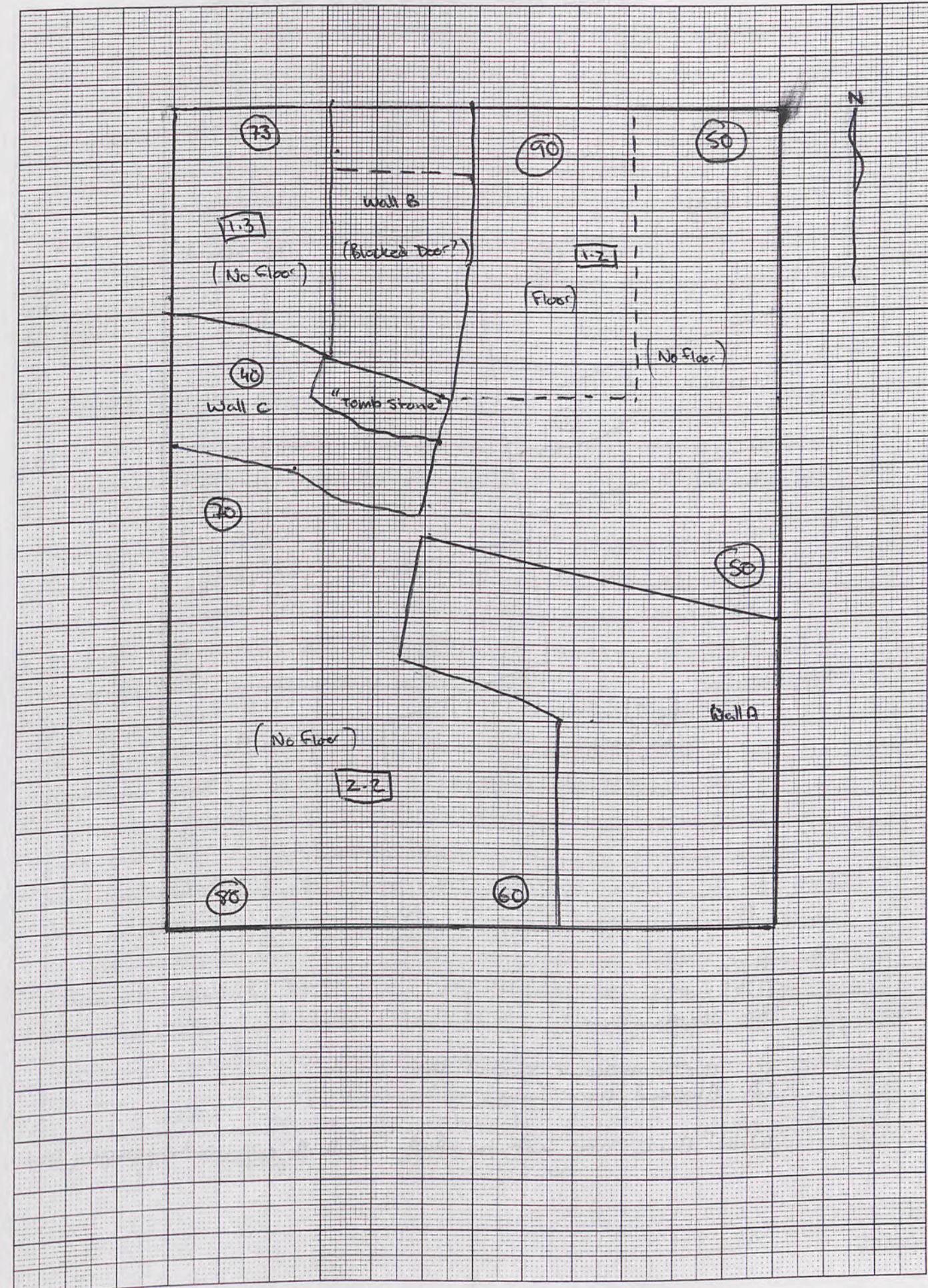
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|-----|--|
| 1.2 | Removing the last of the tumbler in the NW   |
| 2.2 | Exploring Southern half of trench to find out exactly where Wall A goes, if it forms a corner, or just ends...?  |
| 1.3 | World turned upside down. Scratching around, No wall EW between 1.2 + 2.2, but have found a wall running W from "tomb stone" creating a corner rather parallel to main insister: Still don't know about wall A |
| # 2 | Glass frag from North face of wall C.  |
| # 3 | Iron frags, corner of walls B + C.   |

Trench... 206/7..... Initials. NY..... Date 23/05/02 Page....  
 Locus..... Spit..... Locus..... Spit..... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery		1	
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

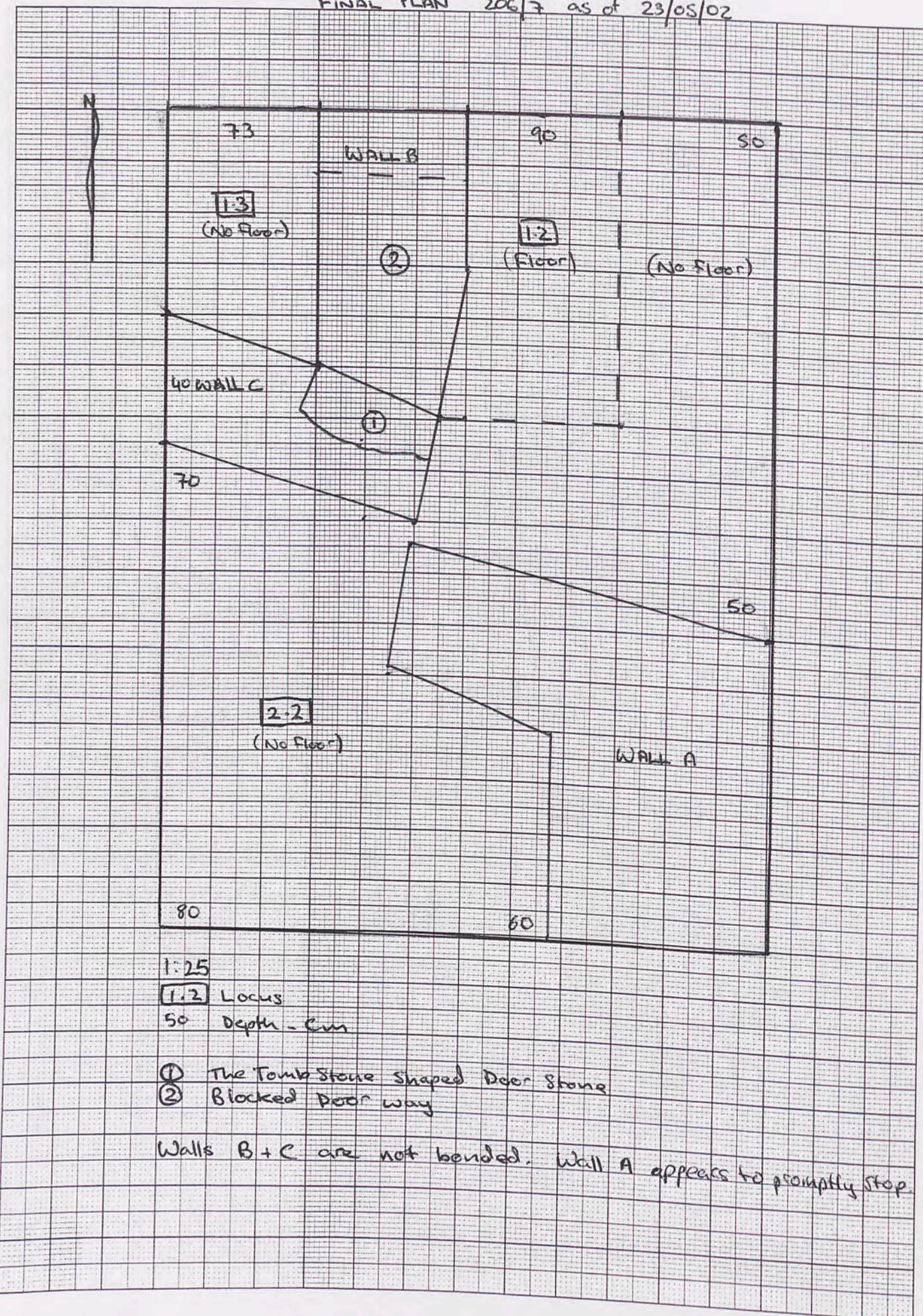
No.	Object	Cont	Cont

Context	Report
	Last Day of Digging Hoping to define wall A + then dig as deep as possible to the E of wall B to discover if it sits on Jebel or not.
	Wall B has revealed a blocked up doorway covering 100cm N of the "tomb stone".
	Wall C abuts wall B + I suppose is probably a later addition though with the lack of excavation time left it shall have to be left a mystery at this time.
	In fact the whole trench is a bit odd really
	Halved 12, dug down along the wall (B) till floor was found. Cleaning up.



1mm Squares

FINAL PLAN 206/7 as of 23/05/02



Trench 206/7 Initials NY Date..... Page....

Locus..... Spit..... Locus..... Spit..... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery			
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont

#### Context Final Report

What can be said about this trench other than it failed to answer the questions asked of it, mainly due to time constraint. It would have been nice to have dug to reveal along the E face of wall B to assess its nature as a primary/secondary wall. As it stands, we still do not know if it was earlier or later than the more substantial wall A which looks secondary itself. I would doubt that both walls were built contemporaneously as they do not meet up, nor is there a wide enough space between them for a pathway. Wall C is another story again, it is not bonded to wall B + I would suggest that this, combined with its location in regards to the blocked doorway would make wall C a later addition to the structure that includes wall B. Clear as mud.

More digging is certainly required in this trench + the opening area.



Trench 75/1 Initials NL Date 08/05 Page 09/05/02  
Locus 3 Spit 4 Locus ..... Spit ..... Feature/s .....

	No. of bags	Cont 08/05/02	Cont 09/05/02
Pottery		1	1
Bone			1
Charcoal			1
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
1	Iron Nail?		
2	Plaster (Red)		
3	Stone Pounder.		
4	Iron Frag.		

Context	Report
08/05	Revisiting trench 75/1 locus 3 to investigate the depth of Jebel in that room. Splitting locus in half - only digging in western half in the hope that we may find a floor.
09/05	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* 1 Iron Frag, Probably a Nail. depth 120 cm</li> <li>* 2 Plaster Fraggs, 2 with Deep Red Paint 2 without. Depth 140 cm</li> <li>* 3 River Stone. with Gaping hole in the middle, possibly a Pounder or Pestal type deal. Depth 150</li> <li>* 4 Iron Fraggs of no distinct origin. Found in Zambiel whilst cleaning Jebel Depth =</li> </ul>

Trench.....Initials.....Date..... Page<sup>2</sup>  
Locus.....Spit..... Locus.....Spit..... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery			
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

Context	Report
	<p>As to the function of locus 1, in all 3 hypothetical layers of occupation, there occurred large amounts of cookware, medium to coarse pottery + Bone along with some charcoal. One would assume this to be either an area of food preparation, or some sort of courtyard close by such a place. When associated with trenches 75/4 + 75/5, the over all size + number of strange features would make the courtyard seem the likely conclusion.</p> <p>Feature A may have been used for anything from a storage area to flower bed/garden, but I seriously doubt it could have served as a water store as the workers insist. - It is far from watertight. The soil samples may give a better indication.</p> <p>the (Querns) + column piece I believe are incidental + completely out of context.</p>
Locus 2	<p>Locus 2 revealed no features, + only one blatantly obvious floor, at 2.4. It did reveal several figurine fragments however and a fair amount of medium-fine + fine pot sherds including some imported wares</p>

not queens but deepest holders *ex situ*

Trench.....Initials.....Date..... Page<sup>3</sup>  
 Locus.....Spit..... Locus.....Spit..... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery			
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont

## Context Report

Locus 3+4 these Locus were only excavated deep enough to reveal the walls which provided no surprises, although wall C + A do not meet square at wall B, possibly implying a wall between two apartment complexes within the 8 insular.

