

Jebel Khalid

Field Record Book

Name.....NICHOLAS WRIGHT.....
Trenches.....B 26 B 31.....
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Dates.....23/04/05 -

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.

List of equipment for Trench Supervisors		
Dig bag	Half	nuss
Water	Here	hona
Clip board and spare clips for windy days	I	ana
Pens (water proof only - black or blue), pencils, ruler, eraser	Iron	hadeed
Measuring tape	Little, small	sagheer
Plumb bob	Man	rajul
String	Maybe, perhaps	mumkin
Spirit level (may be shared)	Must	laazim
Supply of labels	Must not!	mu laazim
Supply of different-sized plastic bags	My (my son)	-ee e.g. walad-ee
Toilet paper (for wrapping delicate objects as well as for personal use!)	Pick	kazma
Small cartons/boxes for objects. When available	Pottery	fachaar
Bandaids and aspirin for the vapours (yours or the workers')	Photo (picture)	soora
Useful words		
All	kull	Supervisor
All of you	kullkum	There is.. there is not
All even (same)	kull sawa-sawa	This
Bedrock	jebel	To, for
Big	kabeer	Today
Black	aswad	Tomorrow
Bone	az'm	Trowel
Boy	walad	Wall
Brush	forshay	Water
Charcoal	fah'm	Wheelbarrow
Cleaning	tanzeef	White
Dead	mowt	Yesterday
Eating!	mangariyya	You (sing. m/f anta, You (pl.)
Floor	ardth	anti
From	min	antum
Girl	bin't	
Glass	zujaaj	

Trench..... Initials..... 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	Report			
10cm	B26 MATRIX N ←			
30cm	Locus 4 Spit 2	Locus 3 Spit 2	Locus 2 Spit 2	Locus 1 Spit 2
50cm	" "	Locus 3 Spit 3	Locus 1 Spit 3	
100cm	" "	LOCUS 1 SPIT 4,		
150cm	Locus 8 Spit 1	Locus 7 Spit 1	Locus 6 Spit 1	Locus 5 Spit 1
200cm		Locus 7 Spit 2	Locus 6 Spit 2	Locus 5 Spit 2
250cm			Locus 6 Spit 3	Locus 5 Spit 3
300cm				Locus 5 Spit 4
340cm				Locus 5 Spit 5
10cm	B31 MATRIX N ←			
30cm	Locus 2 Spit 1	Locus 1 Spit 1		
100cm	Locus 4 Spit 2	Locus 2 Spit 2	Locus 1 Spit 2	
150cm	Locus 4 Spit 3	Locus 2 Spit 3	Locus 1 Spit 3	Locus 3 Spit 3
160cm	Locus 4 Spit 4	Locus 2 Spit 4	Locus 1 Spit 4	Locus 3 Spit 4
200cm	Locus 4 Spit 5	Locus 6 Spit 5	Locus 6 Spit 6	

1mm Squares

Trench.....B26 Initials.....NW Date.....23/04/05 Page!..
 Locus.....Spit..... Locus.....Spit..... Feature/s.....

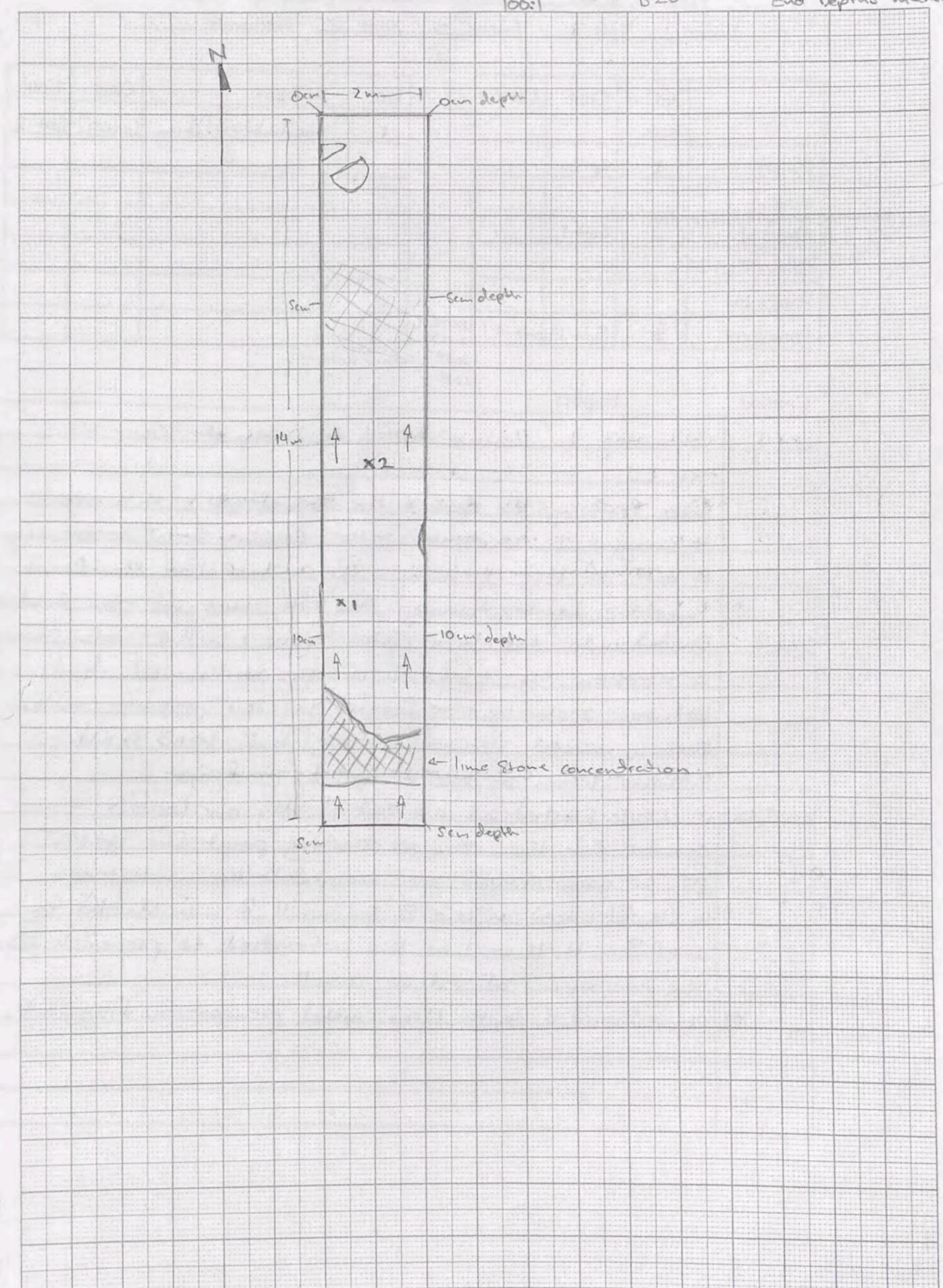
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Pottery	1	✓	
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)		✓	
Photos bw			
Photos col.	3	Start Photos 1981 Loening N 1982 " " 1983 " S	

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
1	Iron Frag		
2	Megarian Bowl frag		

Context Report 14x2m trench running N-S

Spit 1	First Morning, cleared abundant, medium sized ($\leq 10\text{cm}$) limestone from surface. appears to have been swept from previous seasons. Proceeding to clear topsoil from S to N. Stone concentration in Southern most part of trench. Two large limestone blocks in North. Photo's taken. the limestone concentration at S End of trench "may" be the remains of a wall with associated tumulus. It may be an idea to extend the trench a further 2m to the South to encompass a much larger wall which may continue through here, revealed by an earlier trench $\approx 8\text{m}$ to the East. Obj.1 Iron Fragment recovered $\approx 40\text{cm} \pm 440\text{cm}$ depth $\approx 8-10\text{cm}$. Obj.2 Body fragment of Megarian Bowl recovered 95cm / 720cm, depth = 8-10cm. Sketch Below to Scale. Appears to show 2 bare legs walking left, with something behind, perhaps the lower tip of a wing, or a staff? Fill around the S. limestone concentration packed full of limestone chips. N. End of trench equally rocky as S. end.
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Object #2



Trench... B26 Initials... NW Date... 24/04/05 Page...
 Locus..... Spit... 1 Locus... 3 Spit... ? Feature/s.....

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

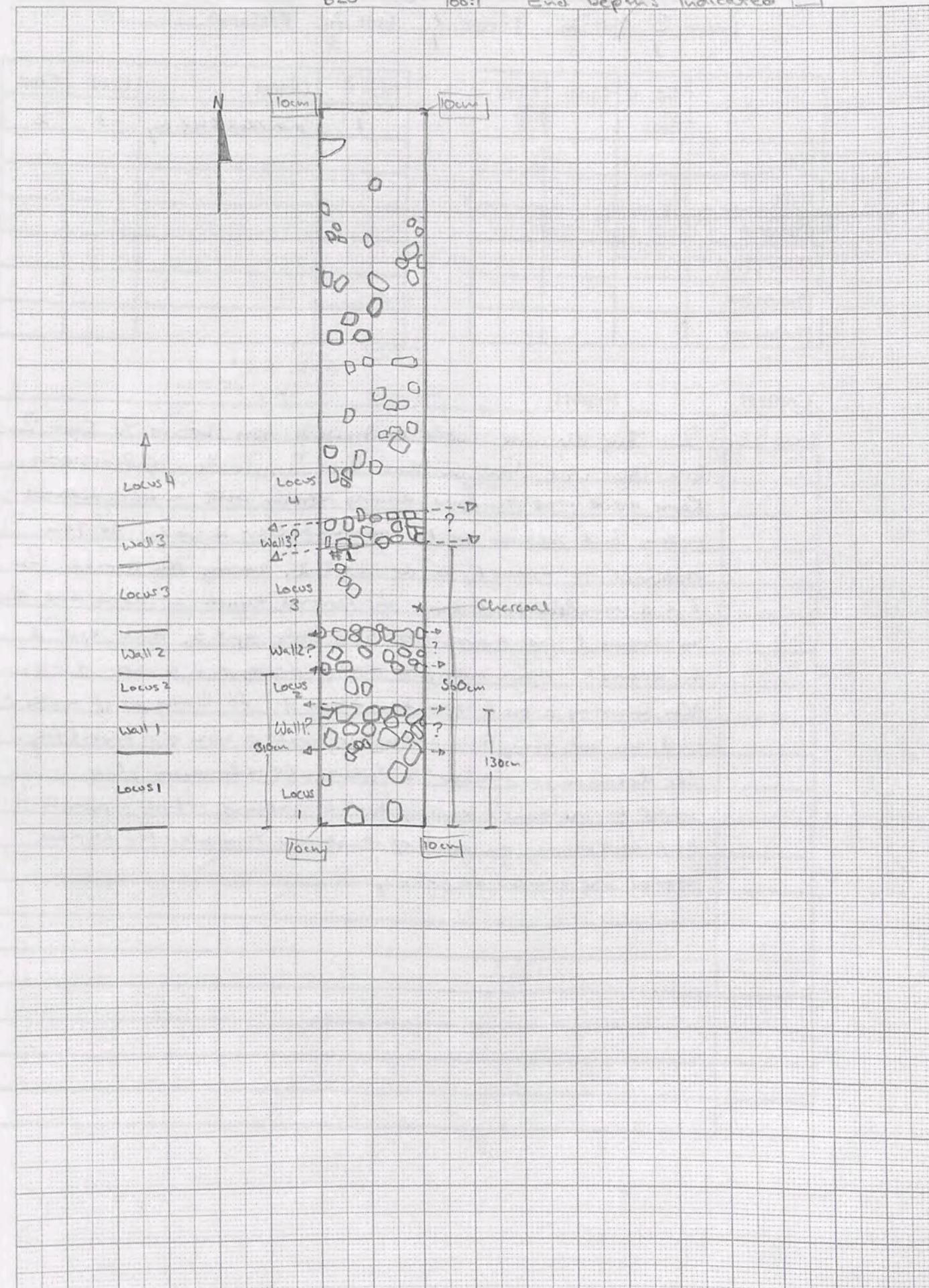
2036-looking N
 2037-looking S
 2038 - Detail looking S.
 2039 - " "

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
1	Metal (iron?) Frag	Locus 3	Spit 2

Context Report

- Spit 1 Continuing to Remove topsoil to Depth of 10cm as Spit 1.
 After removing the bulk of the soil of Spit 1, it is possible to imagine 3 successive walls running E-W across the S. half of the trench. The N. half has abundant limestone boulders amongst the fill, but no clear features.
- Spit 2 Divided into four loci with Locus 1 in the South, running in succession to Locus 4 in the North. The divide between each locus is formed by the possible walls, each numbered likewise (ie Wall 1 to S., Wall 3 to N.)
 4 Photos taken of base of Spit 1 / Top of Spit 2.
- Spit 2 Locus 3 Work started at the end of day on Locus 3. I consider this the obvious starting point for Spit 2 as the area involved can accommodate the whole team + is flanked in the S. by Wall 2 + in the N. by Wall 3. It thus has the potential to prove/disprove the existence of either wall.
- #1 Object found = depth 15cm metal, perhaps iron fragment.

B26 100:1 End depths indicated



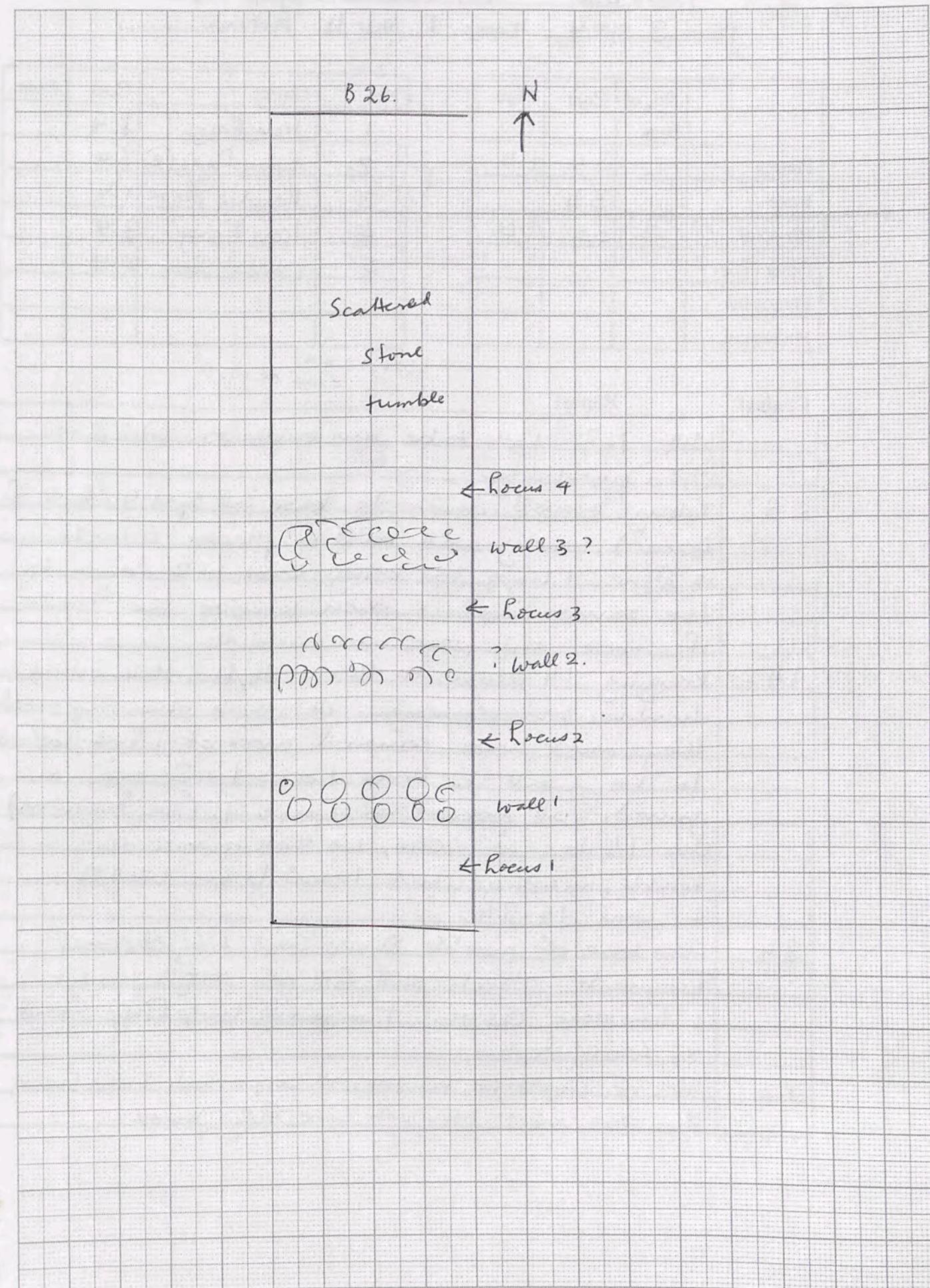
Trench... B26.....Initials..NW.....Date. 25/04/05 Page.1.
 Locus... 3 Spit. 2 Locus... 1 Spit. 2 Feature/s.....
 3 3

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

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
1	moulded bowl frag	3	2

B26 3.2.1
 Lamp 05.032

Context	Report
Locus 3 Spit 2.	This morning work continuing on Locus 3, Spit 2. Very little was done in this area yesterday afternoon. Loose soil was removed among stones with much-weathered pottery but stones for the moment left in situ. At 7am returned to Locus 1, to do spit 2, among the tumble. In 3.2 a moulded bowl frag. in central trench in loose soil. But in locus 3 we have continued into spit 3. Also spit 3 in locus 1. After manger we'll do spit 2 in loci 3 + 4. Also starting a pick run on Locus 4. It looks as if walls # 3 are not going to materialize, wall 2 more of a possibility. The decision was made to leave all stones in place until to-morrow & simply work around what appears to be a surprising amount of scattered tumble. No worked stones are visible as yet.





Trench...B26.....Initials.M.J.A.....Date 26/04/05 Page...
Locus...3....Spit.4..... Locus....!.....Spit...4.. Feature/s.....

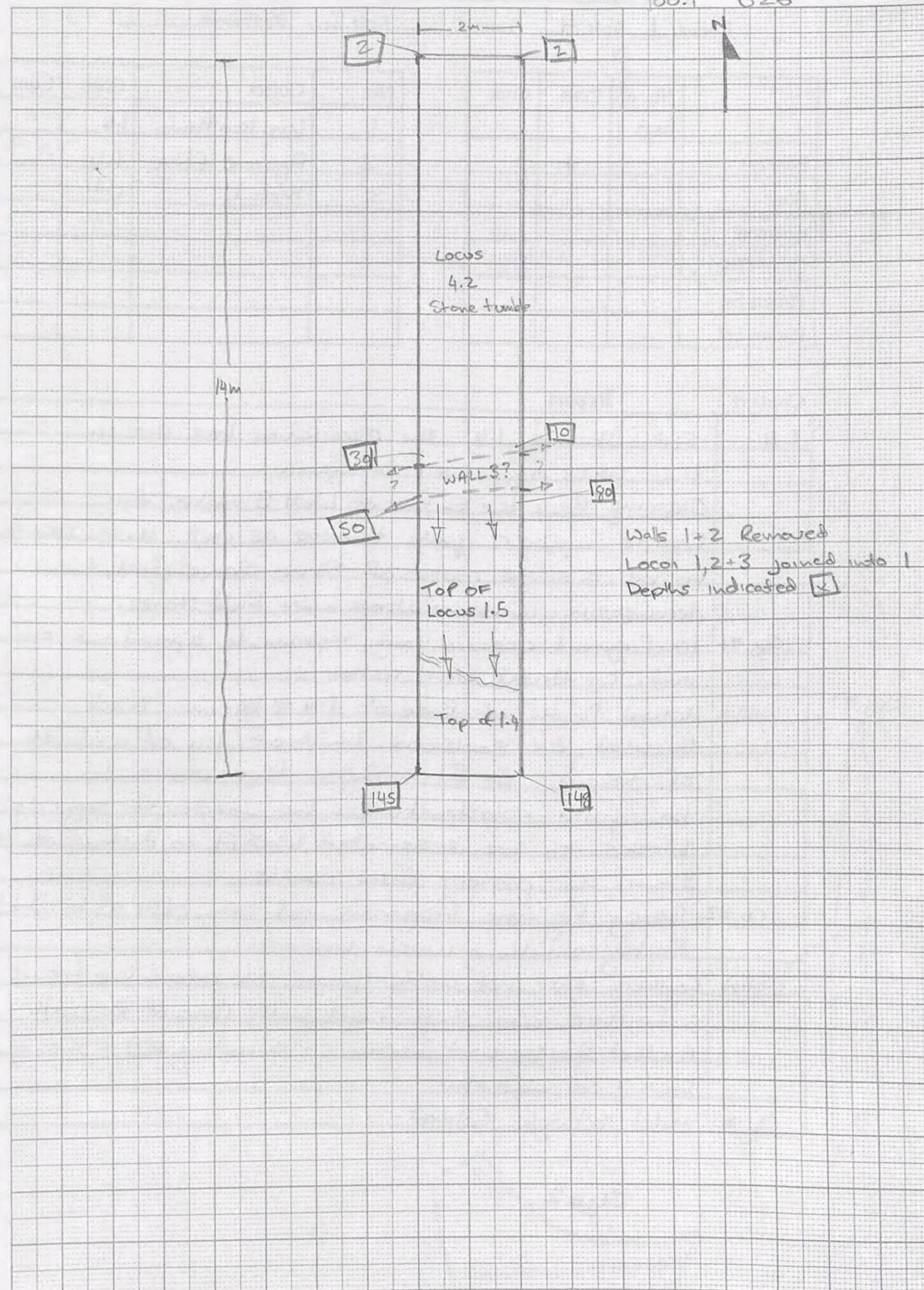
	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	2	3.4	1.4
Bone	1	3.4	
Charcoal	2	3.4	1.4
Other (Tile) ✓			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
1	Iron Frags?	3.4	
2	LampFrags (2)	3.4	
3	Regular Stone	1.4	
4	Iron Frag?	3.4	
5	Worked Stone	3.4	

LB26 3.4.2
= Inv. 05.071

Context Report

Walls 1 + 2	Look to be non-existent. Wall 3 is still a possibility.
3.4	Taking Locus 3 down to base of Spit 4 (depth of 40cm) leaving wall 3 in place. After this is done, I hope to bring Locus 1+2 down to the same level + then Remove the "walls" if these still prove non-existent.
1.4/2.4	Bringing 1.4 down to 40cm depth, removing tumble. but leaving At some stage yesterday they must have removed most of what looked to be wall 1. Hence Locus 1 + 2 are now joined. will proceed as Locus 1. (see diagram) Once 1.4 down to 40cm, we shall remove the tumble, including what looked to be Wall 2 + join 1.4 + 3.4.
3.4	Jaw bone of possible Sheep Goat, tiny charcoal fragments. Trench still full of rough tumble + limestone chips. Two joining Lamp Frags found at 40cm depth.
4.2	Mess of Limestone tumble, all un-worked. I am leaving this area until 1.4 + 3.4 have fully joined.

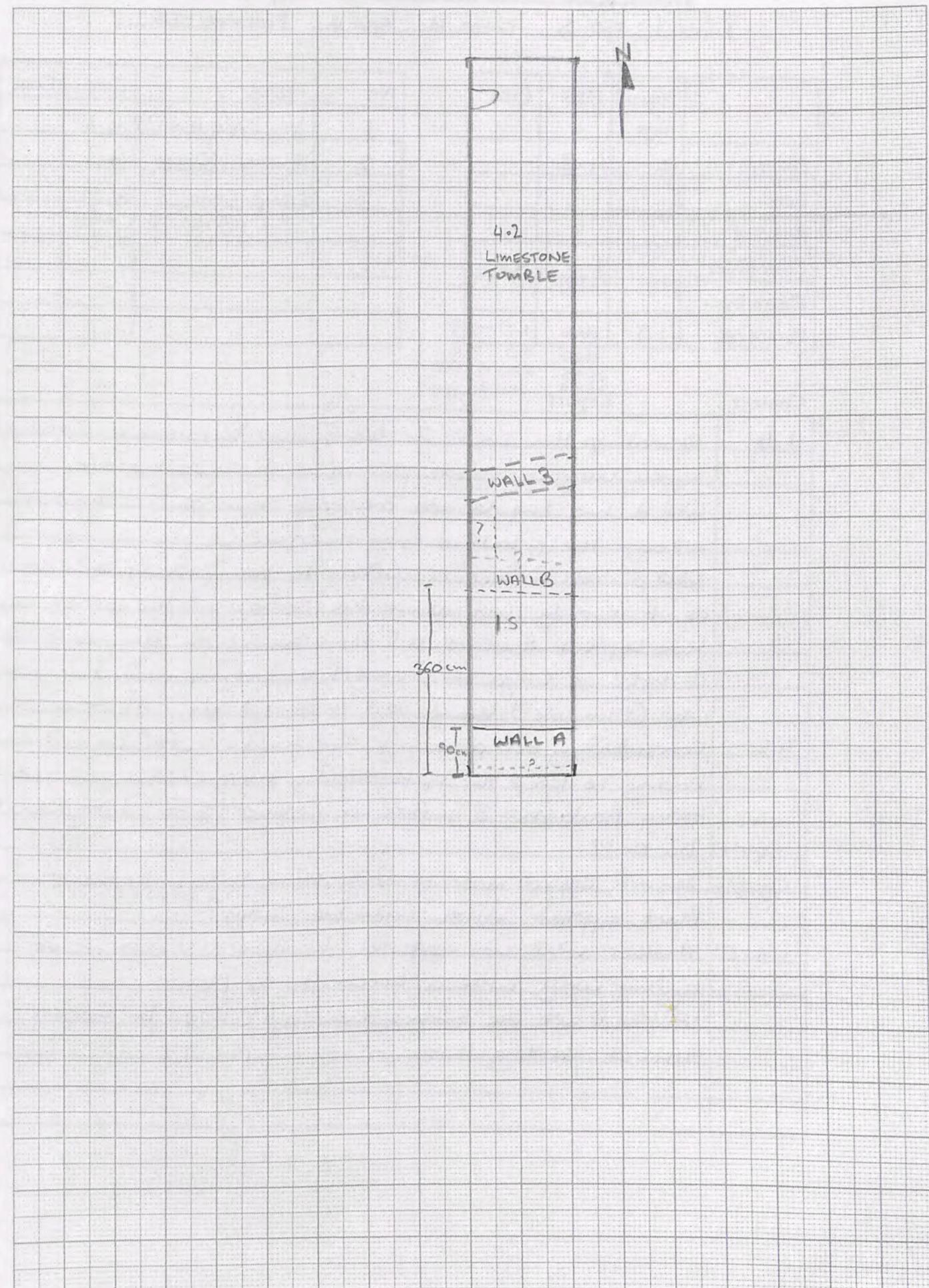
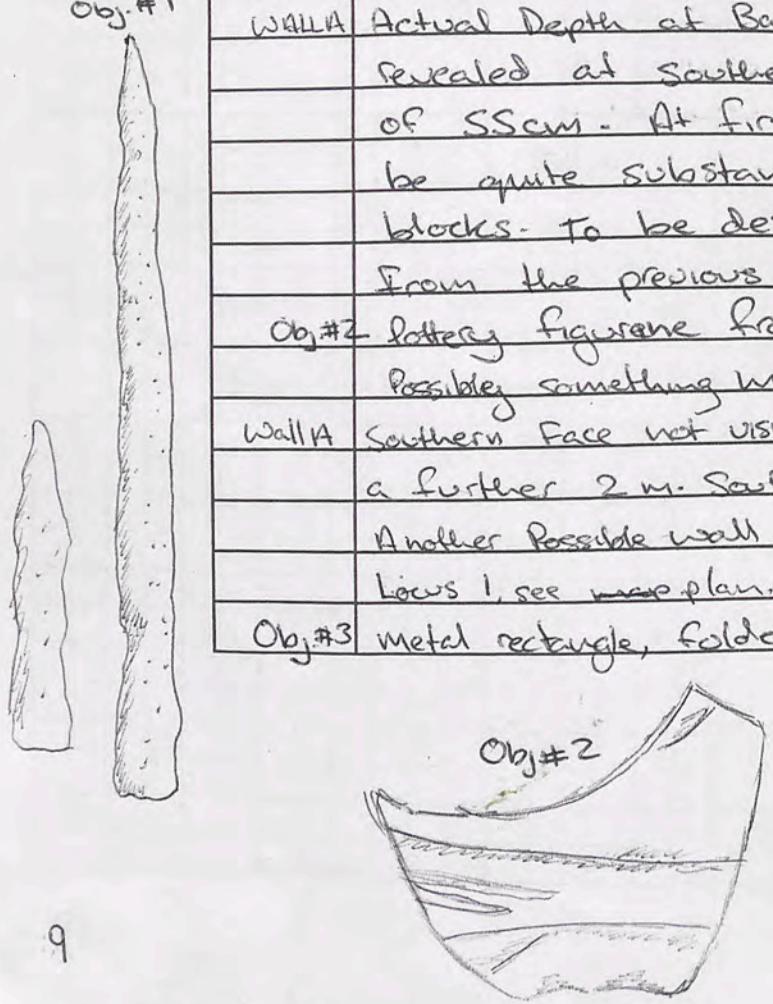


Trench B26 Initials NLW Date 27/04/05 Page 1
 Locus 1 Spit 4 Locus Spit Feature/s

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

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
1	Long Iron Points	1.4	
2	Figure Frag	1.4	05.05 A
3	Metal.	1.4	

Context	Report
1.4	Still clearing 1.4. The excavation has shown that Walls 1+2 were imaginary. Cleaning back the S. face of Wall 3 makes this feature appear quite tenuous as well. There seems to be a single course of stone above dirt, then decomposing limestone above more field stones.
Obj.#1	Iron fragments <100mm long, tapering to a point at one end, cylindrical cross section.
WALL A	Actual Depth at Base of 1.4 = 100cm. Wall revealed at southern limit of 1.4 at a depth of 55cm. At first sight this seems to be quite substantial + be made of regular blocks. To be designated Wall A to distinguish it from the previous false walls.
Obj.#2	Brass figure fragment, not very clear as to what? Possibly something much bigger.
WALL A	Southern Face not visible, I propose we extend the trench a further 2m. South + get both faces of the wall. Another possible wall - WALL B - extending E+W through Locus 1, see map plan.
Obj.#3	metal rectangle, folded.



Trench...B26.....Initials.NLW.....Date.28/04/05 Page.1
Locus....1.....Spit.S..... Locus...4.....Spit.2... Feature/s.YES.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	2	4.2	
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile) ✓		1.5	4.2
Photos bw			
Photos col.	1.5	7646	1.5 → S
		7647	1.5 → S
		7648	WALL B → E
		7649	WALL B → E

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
1	Iron Frag (Nail?)	4.2	
2	Mystery Stone	4.2	
3	Lamp Frag	4.2	
	inv. 05.108	3?	wheel-made

Context

Report

1.5 Cleared up this Locus for photos later this morning. Excavation depth varying slightly, 100cm at its deepest point.
Wall A has two definite courses of stone on its W. half, although the E half is more uncertain.
Wall B needs further excavation to be properly understood, as it is only just above the surface of the soil at this depth + there is still some tumble in the area of Locus 1. It looks as though this may have been quite a thick wall (= 1m wide?) though still constructed of field stones.

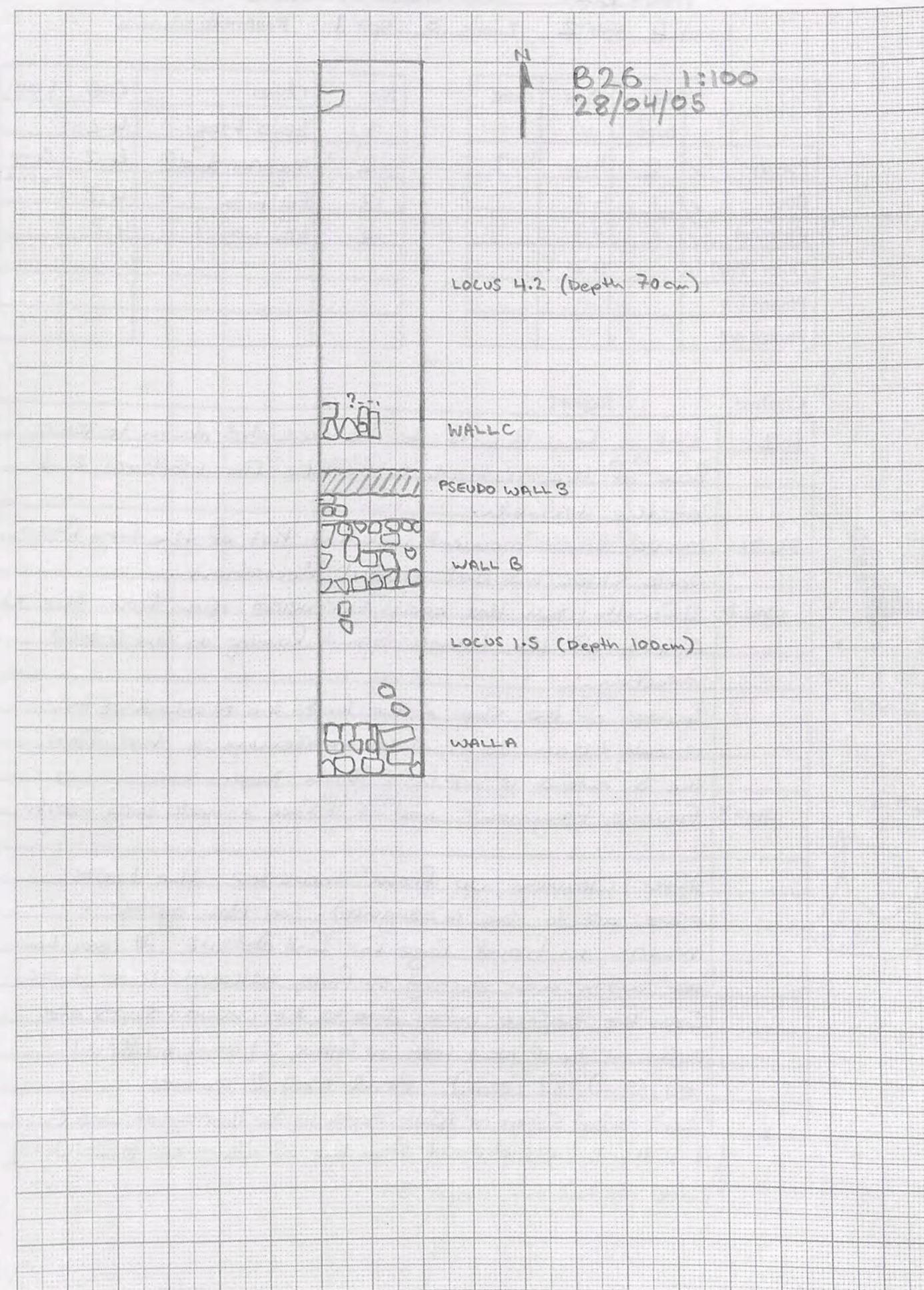
4.2 Concentrating on removing the tumble + fill from 4.2 hoping to keep the spits slightly more regular in this Locus leaving Pseudo-Wall 3 in place to preserve 1.5 for photographs etc.

Object#1 Iron Nail?

Object#2 Mystery Object made of Dark Stone with a possible black applied finish. Possible Spout?

WALL C! Another Wall has appeared, this time in the form of a doorway within Locus 4 - see plan.

"IF" Wall B were the Tenebris, then Wall C might be from a structure abutting this.



Trench...B.26 Initials.NLW Date 30/04/05 Page...
Locus...H....Spit.2 Locus....5....Spit.1.... Feature/s.....

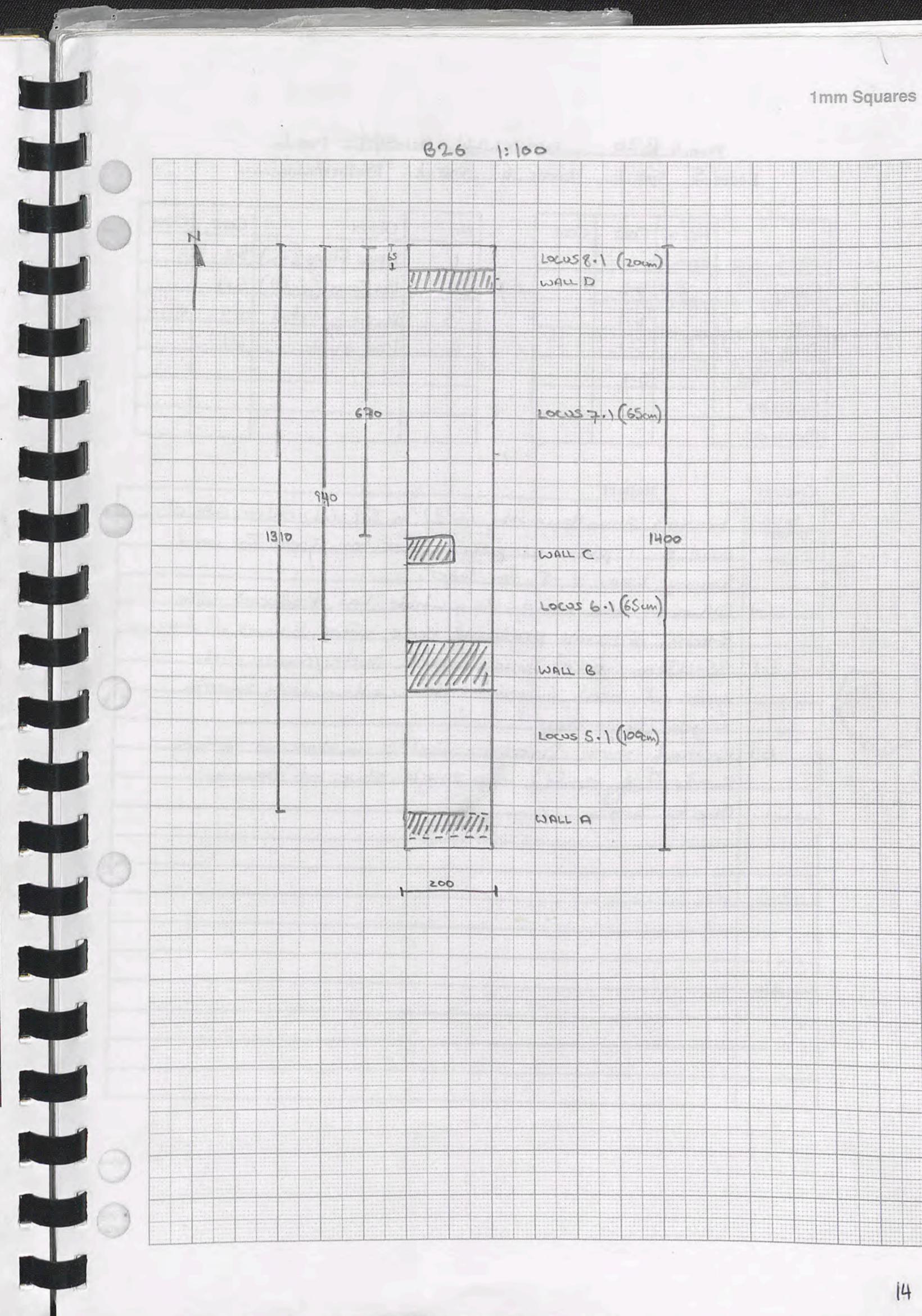
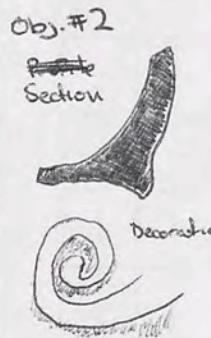
	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	✓ 2	4.2	S. f
Bone	✓ 1	4.2	
Charcoal	✓ 1	4.2	
Other (Tile)	✓	4.2	
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
1	Glass Frag	4.2	
2	Megarian Bowl?	4.2	Ramp
3	Fig Frag	4.2	05.12
4	Iron Nails?	4.2	

Context Report

4.2	Still a few pockets to be excavated down to the base of 4.2, particularly in the Far Northern End of the trench.
Obj #2	Moulded Bowl Fragment including Part of the Ring Base, Dark Slip, moulded tendril decoration.
WALL D	A fourth wall has been uncovered 65cm from the N Extent of the trench, again running in an E-W direction. Because of the slope of the land, the N extent of 4.2 is only $\frac{1}{2}$ 15cm deep, whilst maintaining a level floor, the S extent is up to $\frac{1}{2}$ 70cm Deep.
Obj #3	Figurine Fragment, most of a face + neck, very worn.
	After cleaning up from Locus 4.2, the Locus areas are to be reassigned. See Plan opposite + Matrix on front page for full details. All loci have roughly even starting surfaces, although their depth from the surface varies due to the uneven slopes etc. Depths at top of new loci as follows, S.1(10cm), 6.1(65cm) 7.1(65cm) 8.1 (20cm). Pseudo Wall 3 removed. Hard packed surface at 65cm depth in the doorway of Wall C.

* WALL D $\frac{1}{2}$ equidistant from line of altars as B25 Wall 1
work started on Locus 5.1



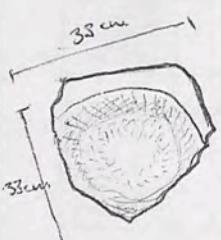
Trench... B26 Initials... N.H.W Date... 01/08/05 Page...
 Locus... 5 Spit... 1 Locus... 6 Spit... 1 Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	✓ 2	5.1	
Bone	✓ 1	5.1	
Charcoal	✓ 1	5.1	
Other (Tile)	✓	5.1	
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

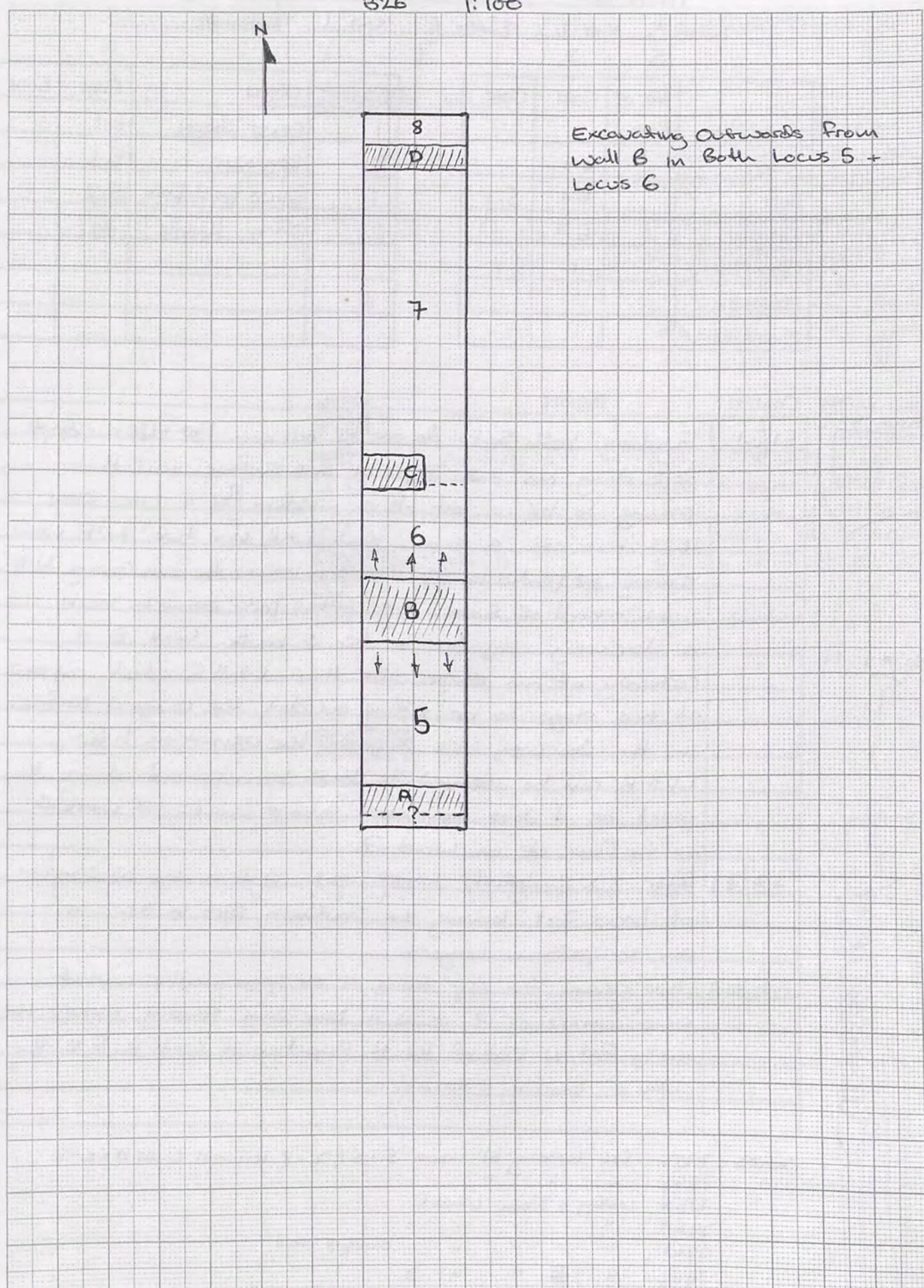
No.	Object	Cont	Cont
1	Glass Frag (7cm)	5.1	
2	Iron Frag (Nails?)	5.1	
3	Mystery Metal (candy)	6.1	1182 hov color
4	Iron Blade	6.1	

Context Report

- 5.1/6.1 Working simultaneously (sp.?) in 5.1 + 6.1, either side of Wall B. I plan on pursuing these two Locus for now, leaving Locus 7 + 8 for later.
- 6.1 Although the trench as a whole has produced little pottery, 6.1 has produced none after 3 hours of digging.
- 5.1 35x33cm worked stone, possible mortar/grinding dish. made of local limestone but with a very smooth, regular depression
- 6.1 Practically sterile deposit - just 3 nondescript pottery sherd (body sherd) + a single sliver of Bone + Objects 3+4.



B26 1:100

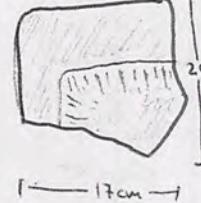


Trench B26 Initials NW Date 02/08/05 Page 1
 Locus S Spit 1 Locus 6 Spit 1 Feature/s.....
 5 2 7 1

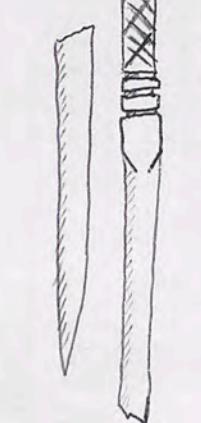
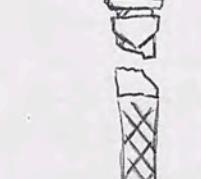
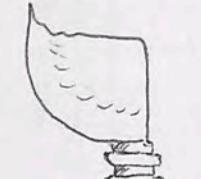
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Pottery ✓		6.1	
Bone ✓		6.1	S.1
Charcoal ✓		6.1	
Other (Tile) ✓		6.1	S.1
Photos bw			
Photos col. ✓			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
1	BONE SPOON	6.1	
2	Iron Nail	S.1	
3	Glass Beast Frog	S.2	
4	Stone Handle	7.1	

BASALT WORKED BLOCK 6.1

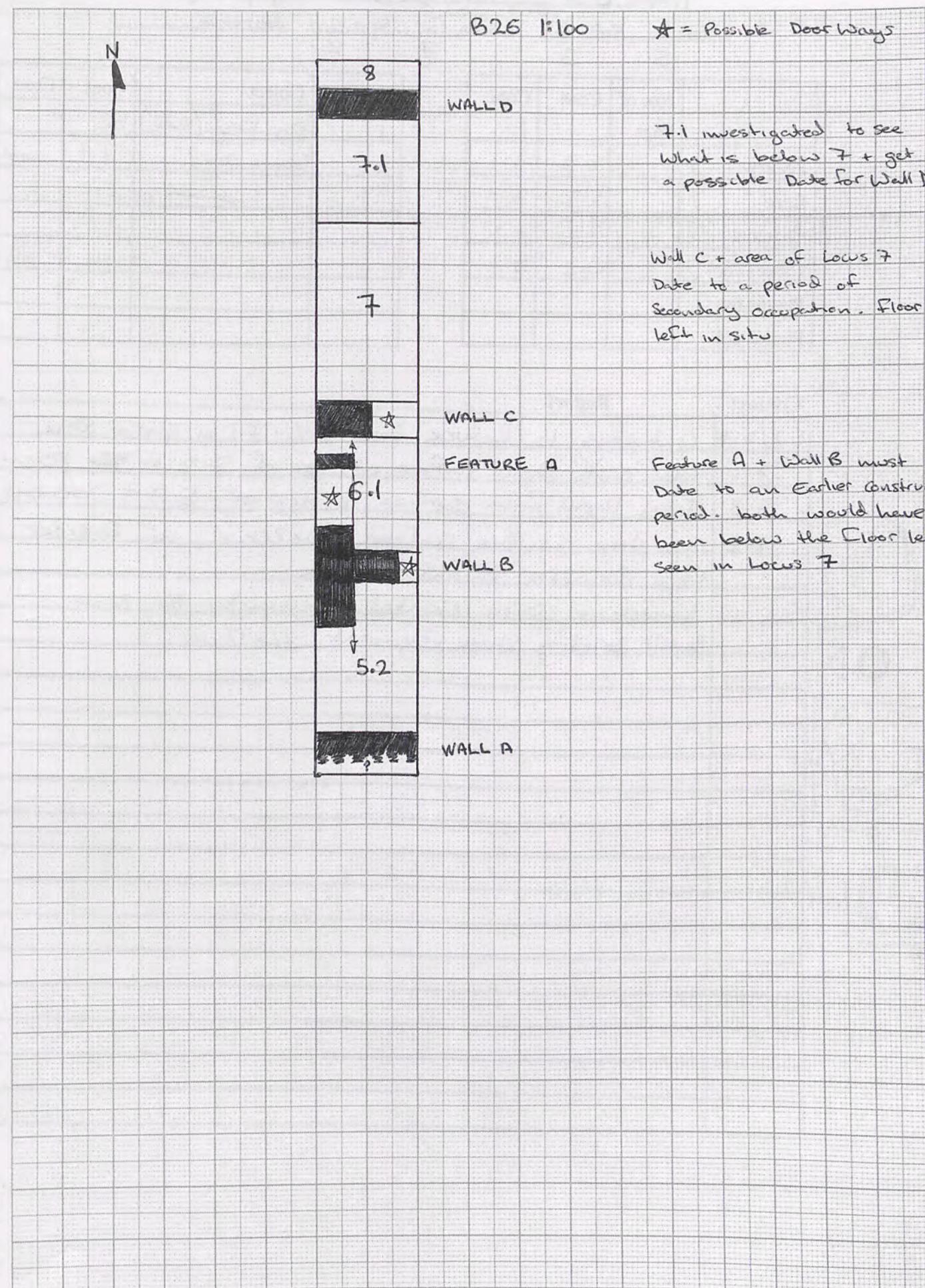


OBJ. # 1 1:1



Context	Report
5.1/6.1	Finishing both Spits down to between 160 + 150 cm depth depending on the slope of the surface. Wall B is proving to be a bit of a problem. It is now clear that it is not a single thick wall, but two short walls running perpendicular (sp?) to each other, the one running N-S much robbed of stone. The E-W part seems to have a doorway very close to the E bank. Wall B is certainly of an earlier date than Wall C which appears at this stage to be sitting on dirt. The compact surface in the doorway was, I suppose, the occupation layer. Wall B can be assumed to have been reduced during this period as it does not exist above the 65cm marked as the floor & in Locus 7.
5.2/7.1	After 2nd Breakfast, taking out S.2 + the N 2 metres of Locus 7.1, leaving the Southern Part in situ as an occupation layer.
FEATURE A	HALF Column, Flat Edge facing S, set upon another worked stone. appears as if it is a Door Jam standing opposite the equally flat N End of the N Projection of Wall B. F S, the width of doorway \approx 110cm.

PHOTOS - 7957 B26 looking N Locus 5.1, 6.1, 7 + 8, Feature A, Walls A B C + D
 7958 " " " "
 7959 Looking S from Wall C
 7960 " " " " "
 7961 " " " " " " Oblique view
 7962 " S " " " " D
 7963 " " " " " "



Trench...B.26 Initials... NW Date 03/05/05 Page 1
 Locus...5 Spit...2 Locus...7 Spit...1 Feature/s.....
 S 3 7 2

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	✓	S.2	7.1
Bone	✓	S.2	7.1
Charcoal	✓	S.2	7.1
Other (Tile)	✓	S.2	7.1
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
1	Iron Frag (blade)	S.2	
2	Bronze Com?	7.1	unid. relic? 05.225

Context Report

S.2/7.1 Continuing to Reduce Locus S.2 + 7.1 in Spots of 8cm.

7.2 total depth from surface at top of 7.2 = ~~110~~ 110 cm

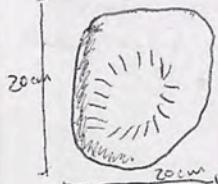
S.3 Total Depth from surface to top of S.3 = 200 cm

7.2 Limestone Grinding Surface 20x20cm with Powder 8cm diameter found in situ

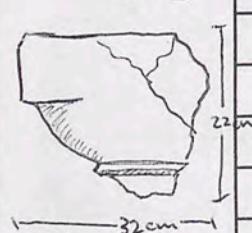
Limestone Dome Capital Fragment. 32 x 12cm

Basalt Grinding Stone Fragment, 22 x 13cm

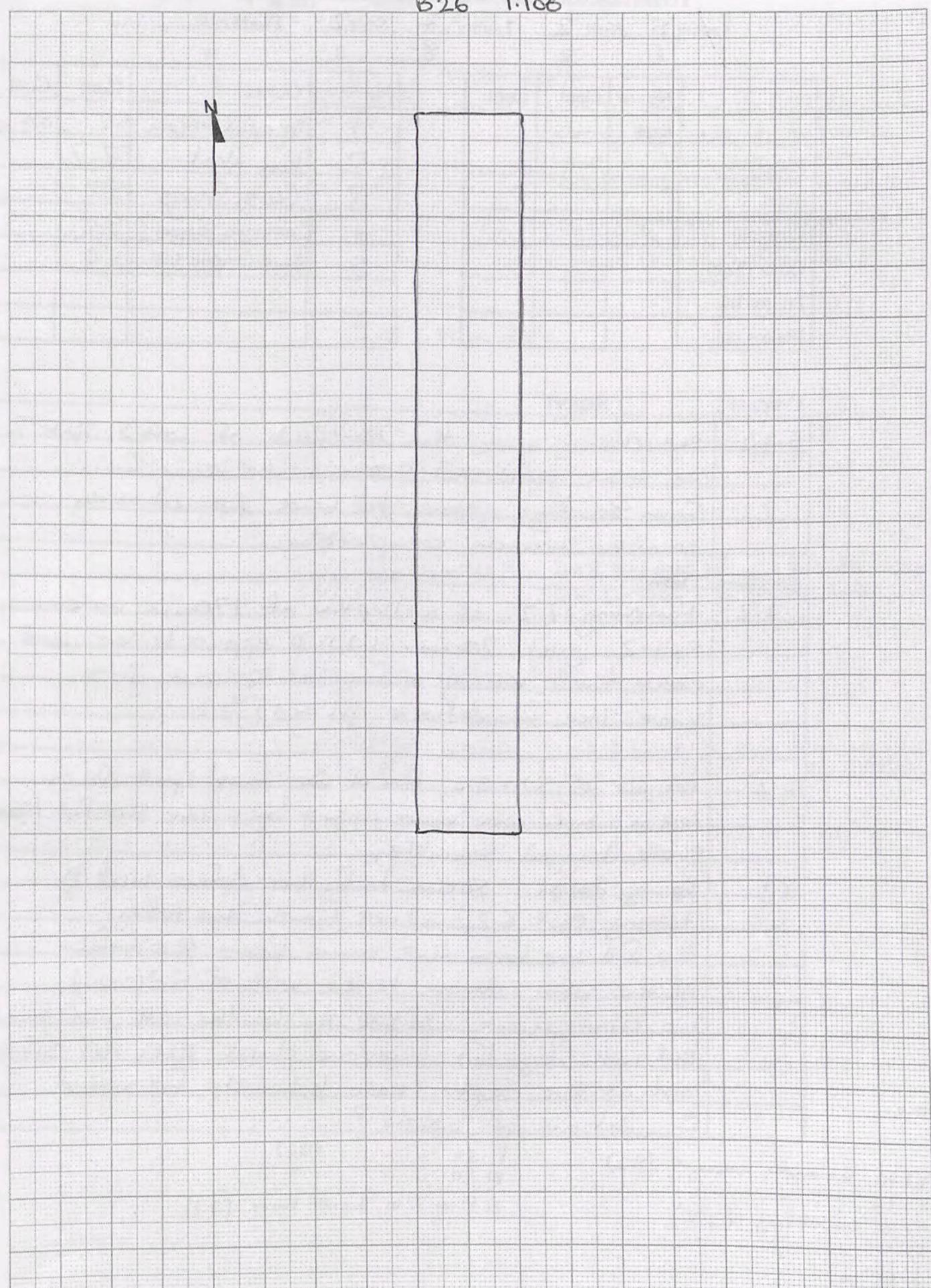
7.2



OI



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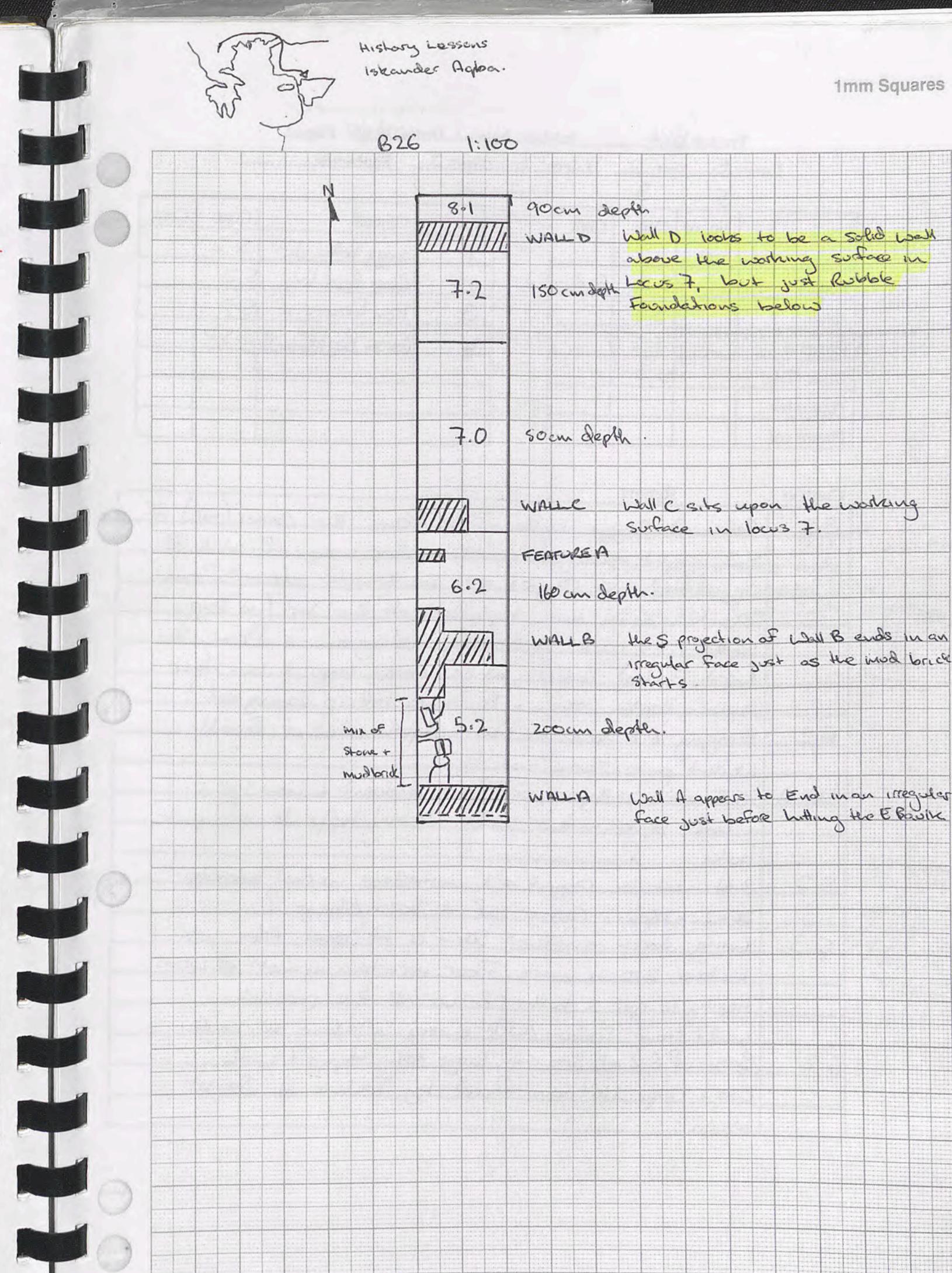
Trench... B26 Initials... NLW Date... 08/08/08 Page... 1
Locus... S Spit... 2 Locus... 7 Spit... 7 Feature/s.....
6 2 8 1

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

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
1	Degraded AE Coin	S.2	1231 un. Sch.
2	Iron Nail	7.2	
3	Glass frags	S.2	
4	Ceramic Stopper?	S.2	
5	Almost Complete ESA	S.2	

Context	Report
5.2/3	Still cleaning away the remnants of Locus S Spit 2 to total depth of 200cm. The heavy rain from yesterday appears to have cleaned away from the trench completely.
7.2	Finishing 7.2 at a depth of 130cm making Spit 2 just 20cm. Wall D appears to be neat above the working surface at 7, but gets more like foundations in 7.1 + 7.2.
5.2	Horizon of S.2 + 5.3, base of 7s found upside down within which were bones + what looks like shell fish/small shells, bagged separately.
8.1	Going down 50cm to further define Wall D.
6.2	taking out 6.2, will not finish this today.
5.2	the fill has been the same from the surface all the way down to the base of S.2(200cm) No stratigraphy visible in boulders, all just friable soil with degraded limestone chips. ESA still coming out at this depth. Late Hellenistic fill around Foundations of walls?

8176	Pot insitu looking S. (S.2)	81 89	"	"	(7.2)
8177	"	81 90	"	"	"
8178	Capital frag (7.2)	81 91	→	8201	Basalt Pieces (7.2)
8179	"	"	"	"	"
8180	"	"	"	"	"
8181	"	"	"	"	"
8182	Mortar + Pestal	"	"	"	"
8183	"	"	"	"	"
8184	"	"	"	"	"
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8187	"	"	"	"	"
8188	"	"	"	"	"



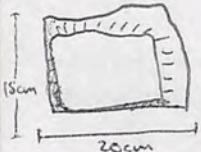
Trench B26 Initials... NLJ Date 07/08/08 Page 1
 Locus S..... Spit 2.... Locus 6..... Spit 2.... Feature/s.....

S 3

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont	S3
Pottery		S.2	6.2	
Bone		S.2		
Charcoal		S.2		
Other (Tile) ✓		S.3		
Photos bw				
Photos col.				

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
1	Saggy bottom jar	S.2	
2	Glass Bowl frag	S.2	
3	Iron frags	S.2	
4	Glass Bezel from Ring?	S.2	

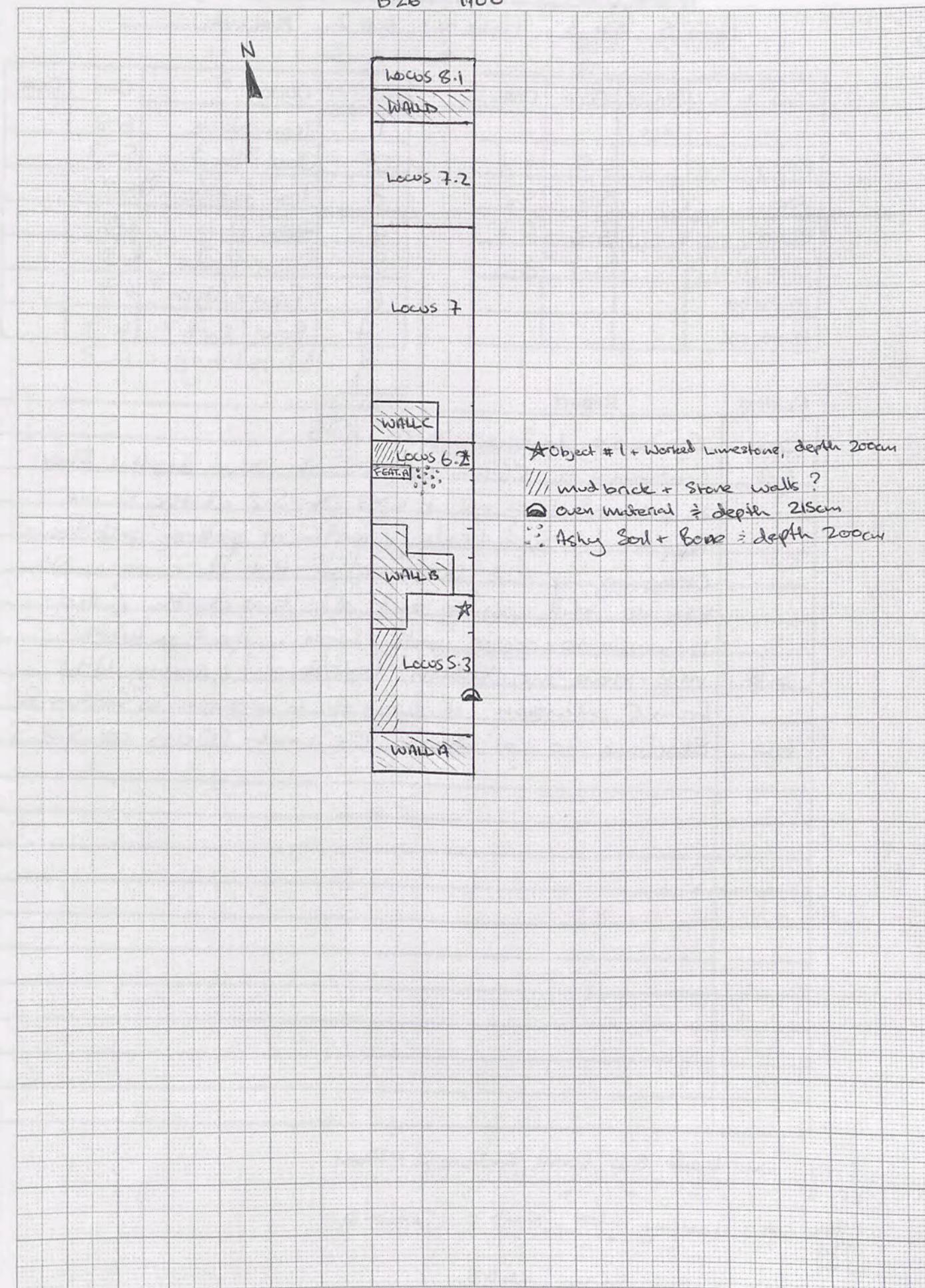
Bessell 6.2



Limestone S.2 (in 3D)



- Context Report
- S.2 Retrieved Saggy bottom Pot from the corner (NE) of S.2, right up against the door way of Wall B. Objectified as Object #1. Soil sample retrieved from inside. only the top part of the jar, (no saggy bottom...) was certainly resting on a floor, Soil hard packed with a white, limey layer ± 1cm deep above. Depth 200cm. Too much pottery coming out!
- 6.2 Bringing 6.2 down to same depth. Another Bessell worked piece 20x15 cm.
- Wall A suffered a collapse over the weekend + now has a hole square in the centre. does it help its incomplete look.
- S.2 Just next to Object #1, Limestone worked block 26x22x18cm. Corner of a basin/storage?
- S.3 Going down another 80cm or till Javel. tiles just below 200cm mark. Floor uncertain in most of Locus. Hoping to get a better picture of the possible mud + stone feature/wall emerging along W wall.
- 6.2 Base of 6.2 at 200cm, large ashy deposit with Ribs + Large Vertebrae found by Feature A. Sample taken.



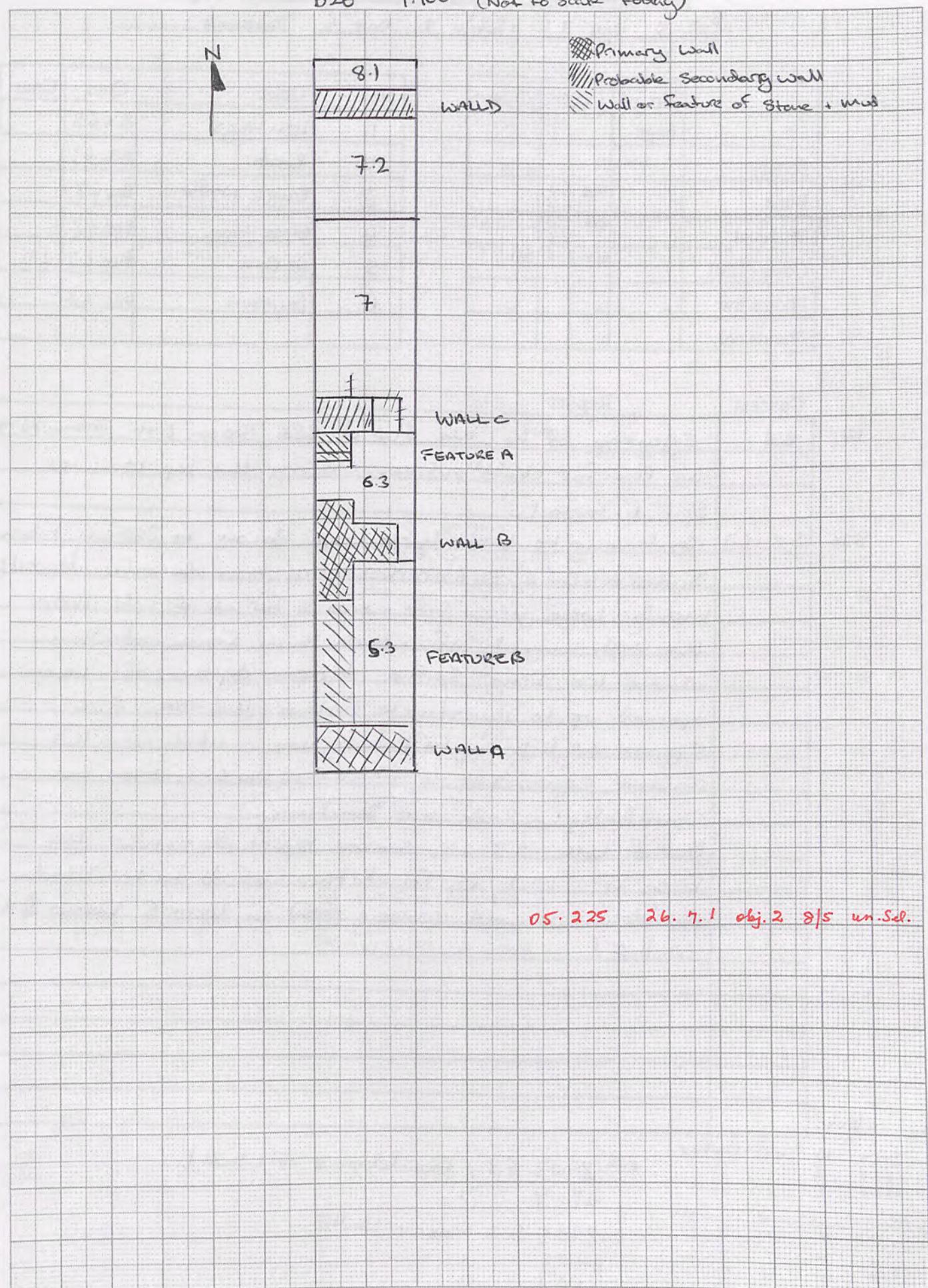
Trench B26 Initials N.H. Date 08/05/05 Page!...
 Locus 5 Spit 3 Locus 6 Spit 2 Feature/s.....
 6 3

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	1	5.3	6.2
Bone	1	5.3	6.2
Charcoal	1	5.3	6.2
Other (Tile)	1	5.3	6.2
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
1	Iron Nails	6.2	
2	Glass? Bead	5.3	
3	Iron Frags (Nails?)	5.3	
4	Iron Frags	6.3	
5	Iron Blade	6.3	
6	Bronze/Copper?	6.3	
7	Bone/Shell?	6.3	
8	Glass frags	6.3	

Context	Report
5.3	Continuing to take down 5.3
6.2	Continuing to clean up 6.2 at 200cm depth. Floor is present here as it was in 5.2 at the same depth. 4 handfuls worth of pottery just from cleaning up the surface of the floor as in 5.2, ESA is still coming out at this depth. Getting dangerous to access both Locus without a ladder.
5.3	mud+stone installation (wall/bench?) running N+S from S extension of wall B to be known as Feature B
6.3	Starting to go down the next 80cm as Spit 3

- 2804 Over head 6.2, Wall B, Feature A + Floor
 2805 " " " " " "
 2806 6.2 Looking West, Wall B + Feature A
 2807 "
 2808 "
 2809 6.2 Looking South, Wall B
 2810 "



05.225 26.7.1 obj.2 8/5 un Sel.

Trench B26+B31 Initials NLR Date 09/05/05 Page 1
 B26 Locus S Spit 3 B31 Locus 1 Spit 1 Feature/s.....
 6 3

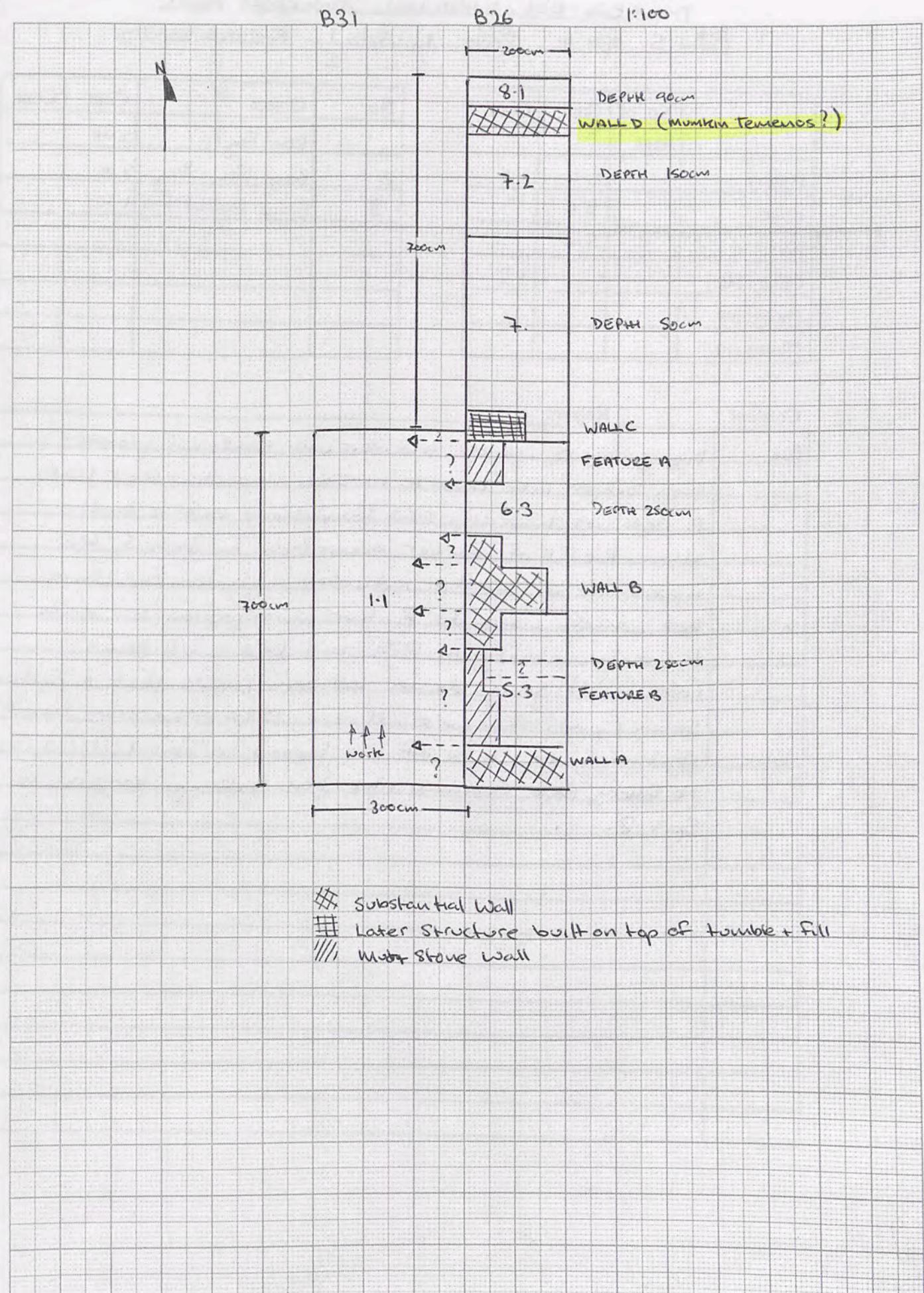
	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery			
Bone		B26 S.3 6.3	
Charcoal		B26 S.3 6.3	
Other (Tile)		B26 S.3	B31 1+1
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
1	Iron frags	B26 6.3	
2	Bead	B26 6.3	
3	Bronze Needle	B26 6.3	
4	Glass frag	B26 6.3	
5	AE Coin	B26 6.3	341 un.Sd.
6	Gypsum	B26 6.3	

Context	Report
B31	Extention off to the SW of B26, 300cm E-W, 700cm N-S See Plan for clearer picture. Clearing the top 10cm or Spit 1 - topsoil.
S.3 + 6.3	Continuing to bring these two down to 280cm from Surface. Locus S+6 certainly contain domestic deposits, mainly Large jars + fine wares so far all of Late Date. The vast majority of which came from immediately above the floor surface at 200cm depth. B31 being opened up to investigate further this area. GWC Suggests Wall D may be the terminus, in which case this structure represented by Wall B + Locus 6+S would be immediately outside the sanctuary.
	Base of both S.3+6.3, sources report dirt under the base of Wall B, foundations not down to Jelael. Possible new wall running E-W in Locus S below Spit 3. Wall E!
Photos? ... Bob?	

B31	2824	N	Start Photos
	2825	E	" "
	2826	S	" "
B26 (S.2)	2828	Limestone trough	
	2829	"	"
	2830	"	"
	2831	"	"
	2832	"	"
B26 (6.2)	2834	BASALT FRNG	
	2835	"	"
	2836	"	"
	2837	"	"
	2838	"	"

B26 2903 6.3 + Foundations of Wall B
 2904 "
 2905 S.3 floor + Wall E
 2906 "
 2907 "
 2908 "



Trench B26 + B31 Initials N.H. Date 10/05/05 Page 1
 B26 Locus S Spit 4 B31 Locus J Spit J Feature/s Absolutley 2

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery		S.4	1.2
Bone		S.4	
Charcoal		S.4	
Other (Tile)			1.2
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

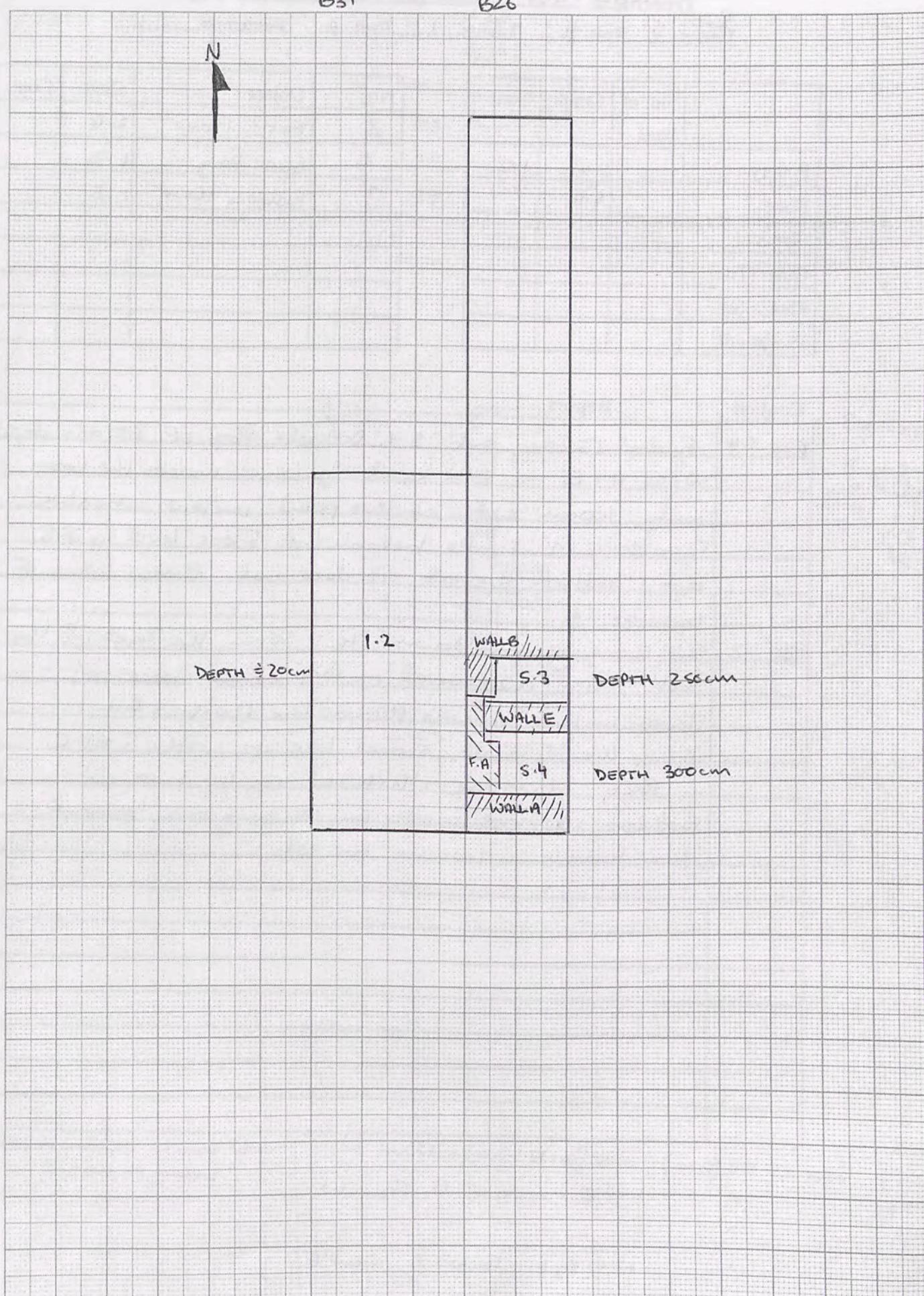
No.	Object	Cont	Cont
1	Iron? Frag	S.4	
2	Bronze Frog ?	S.4	
3	Bronze Bracelet Frag	1.1	

Context Report

B26 Digging day 15, unless told otherwise, shall not proceed any deeper into locus 6. at 2.5m, it is clear that wall B does not have any solid foundations, but is built above the fill of earlier occupation. in locus 5, the appearance of wall E indicates an earlier structure here, which warrants further investigation. As such, the only activity in B26 will be a small team (mahmud!) going down between walls A+E a further 50cm (Sp.4), then we shall see. Wall A still rests on base of S.4

B31 Continuing to take off the topsoil as Sp. j. (10cm) No pottery, Bone, Charcoal, tiles, Iron... nothing. going on to Sp. 2.

B31 B26



Trench B26 + B31 Initials NLU Date 11/05/05 Page 1
 Locus S Spit 4 Locus 1 Spit 2 Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	S.4	1.2	
Bone	S.4		
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
B26 1	Flint? Flake	S.4	
B31 2	Glass frag	1.2	
B31 3	Blobby thing	1.2	

Object #3



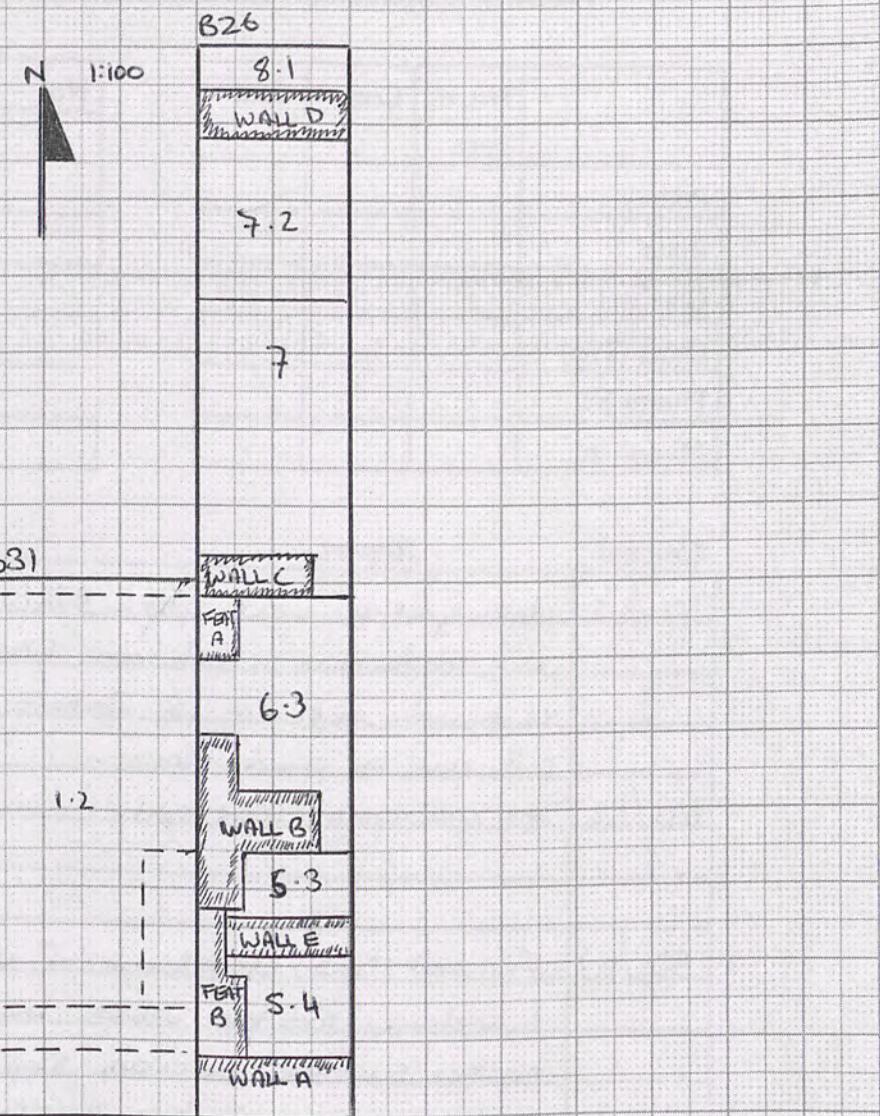
1.1
Stone
of iron
?

Context	Report
B26 S.4	finished clearing out S.4, definite floor at 80cm depth. Walls A + E to S+N respectively which makes the room only 100cm wide at this point. unclear whether FEATURE B continues below the floor level in S.8, but I rather suspect it does not. Photos taken of base of S.4.
B31 1.2	still bringing this down to $\frac{1}{2}$ 80cm, the level of the first floor encountered in B26. faint traces of stones in lines coming through the tumble + fill. Along the N bank, stones line up with wall C in B26, otherwise I think the regular lines are bedrock creations, made by removing only some of the tumble + leaving the rest.

PHOTOS.

- 0057 base of S.4 (floor) walls A+E - overhead from W
 0058 " " Wall E + Feature B - from W
 0059 " " " " "
 0060 " " walls A+E + Feature B - from E
 0061 " " " " "
 0062 " " wall A from N
 0063 " " " " "
 0064 " " " " "

0065 From N standing on Wall B
Looking At Wall A.

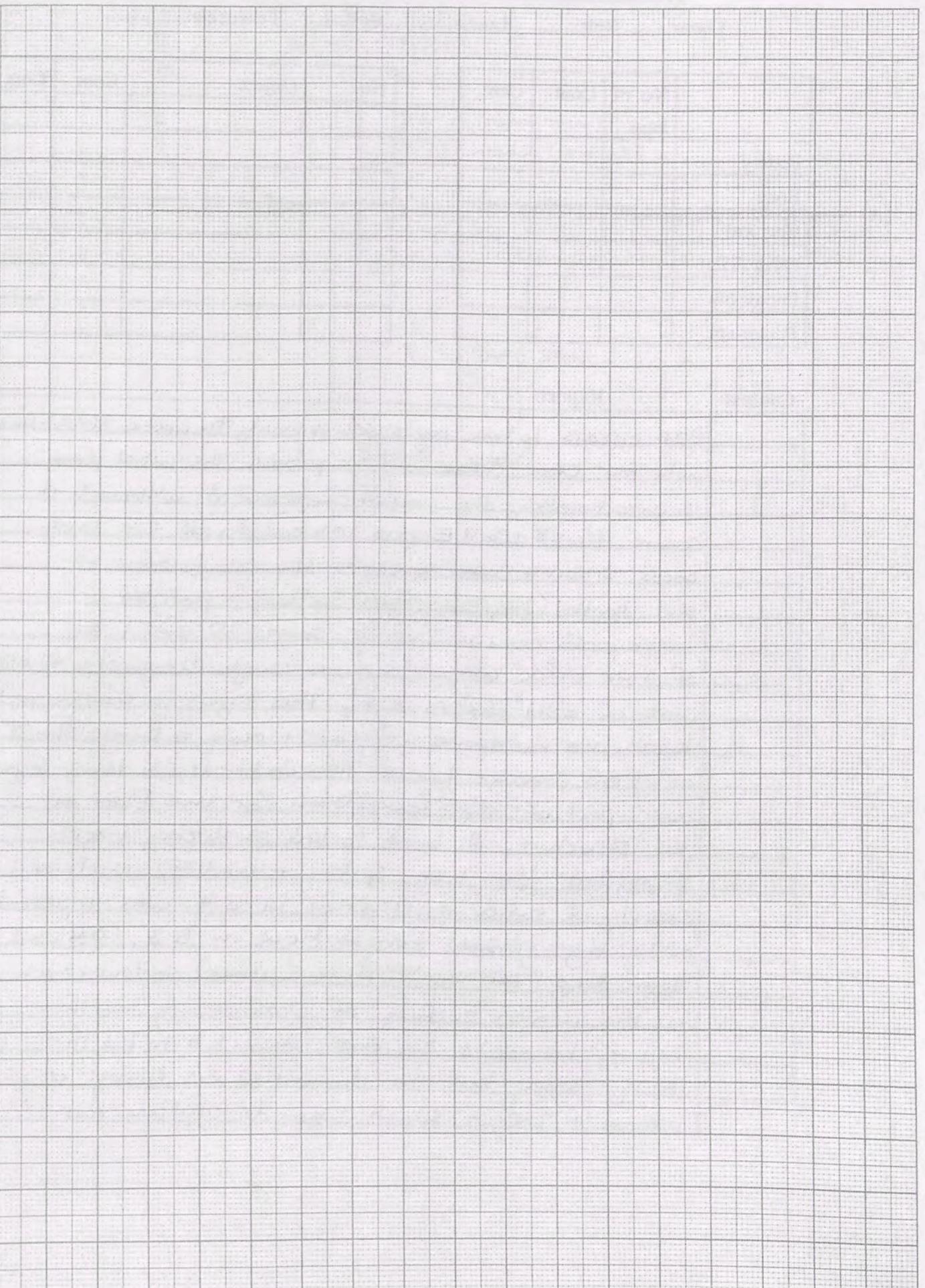


Trench B26 + 31 Initials NLW Date 12/05/05 Page 1
 B26 Locus S Spit S B31 Locus I Spit 2 Feature/s

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

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
1	Glass Frog	1-2	

Context	Report
B26/S.S	taking out the next spit in B26 (S.S), still interested to know what the relationship is between walls A + E. Also hoping that the continued existence of feature B below the floor level of S.3 can be made clearer.
B31/1.2	Still reducing this spit.
B26/S.S	Finished S.S at a layer of very hard but very decomposed limestone. Possible Jebel but in an unusually poor state. Surface uneven, sloping down towards the East, ie, towards the River. It is now clear that Wall A was built above dirt + did not continue down to jebel, as it is not present in S.S. Wall E does continue at least as far as the limestone horizon whether this is jebel or not. No bone present in S.S + only a single pottery body sherd, luckily fine black glaze. trench Summary next page. (33)



TRENCH REPORT JK B26
23/04/05 - 12/05/05

Trench..... B26 Initials. NW Date. 12/05/05 Page. 1/4

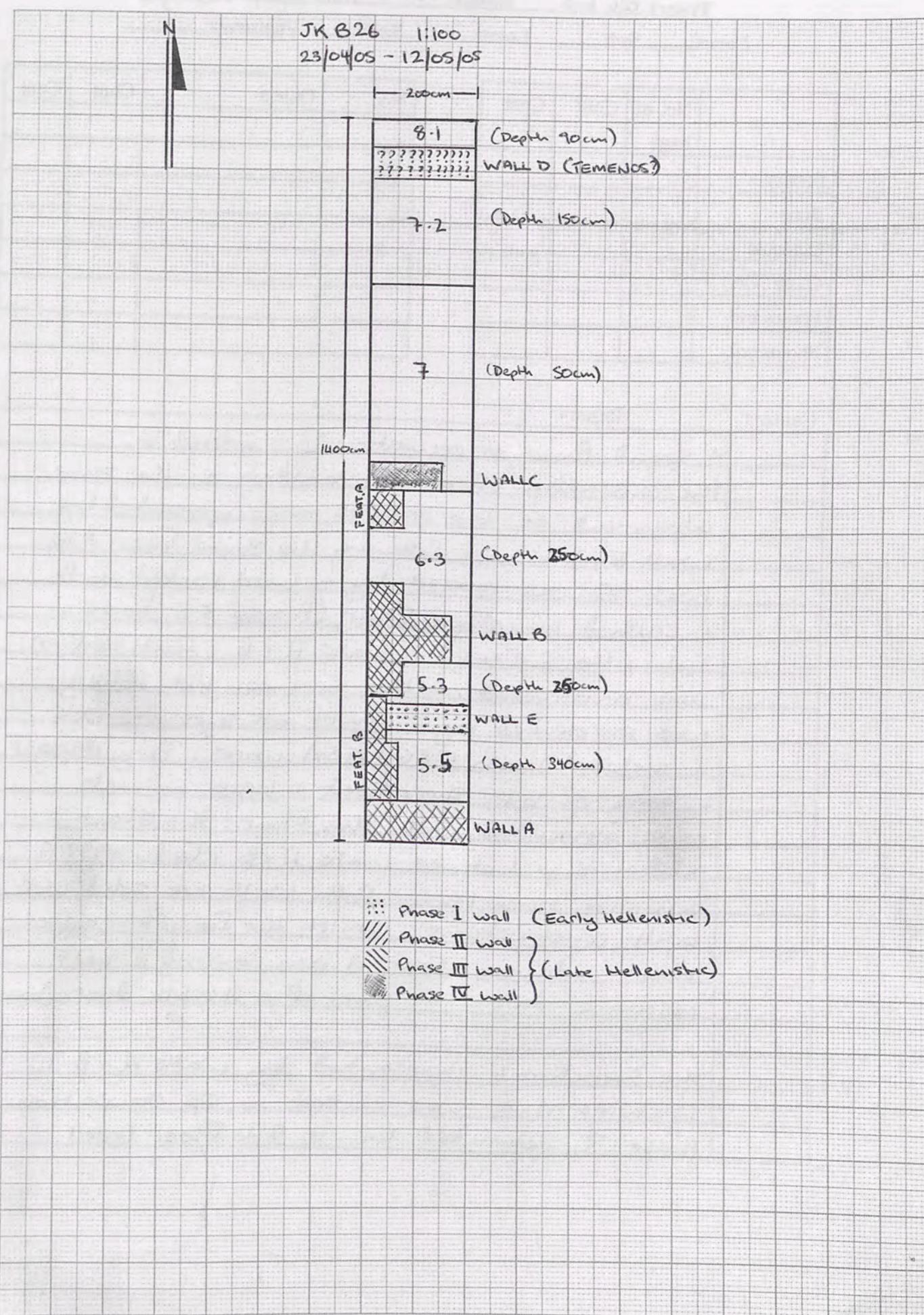
Locus..... Spit..... Locus..... Spit..... Feature/s.....

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

No.	Object	Cont	Cont

Context	Report
	<p>B26 appears to have contained primarily Domestic structures with Four Clear Phases of Occupation. The initial phase is unfortunately the poorest Represented, although it seems that Wall E was associated with this level. Locus S: Spit 4 was represents the occupation at this depth (250-300cm From Surface) + produced a variety of ceramic vessels, several of which were of fine Black Glaze. only a single Diagnostic sherd was of ESA Fabric. Below this layer, in Locus S, Spit 5, there was no bone present + only a single sherd of FBG pottery. I have little doubt that this layer was part of the foundation for the floor of the structure. A hard packed earth/clay floor separated the two spits, + Wall E, which was clearly a solid construction in S.4, was represented only by rubble foundations in S.5. S5 was 40cm deep (300-340cm from Surface), below which is an uneven surface of decomposing limestone sloping towards the East, down hill to the river. Possibly Jebel, but to difficult to dig through or around in such a small space to confirm this.</p>

1mm Squares



Trench 826 End.....Initials N.W Date 12/08/05 Page 2/4
 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

A Second Phase of occupation was marked by the construction of a new building on the same alignment as the previous one represented by Wall E, but not following the same floor plan. Wall E was covered by a hard packed earth + crushed limestone floor (base of S.S; ^{+ 6.3} 200-250cm below the surface) + Walls A + B + Features B + A were constructed on this surface. The pottery was represented by a mix of all sizes of vessels + included both FBG + FSA wares. Ashy deposits + bones of both sheep/goat + larger animals were associated with this floor. The exact relationship between walls A + B + features B + A remains uncertain. Both walls are solid, well built constructions, whilst the features appear more ad-hoc. Feat. A even reusing a half column drum as part of a possible door jam.

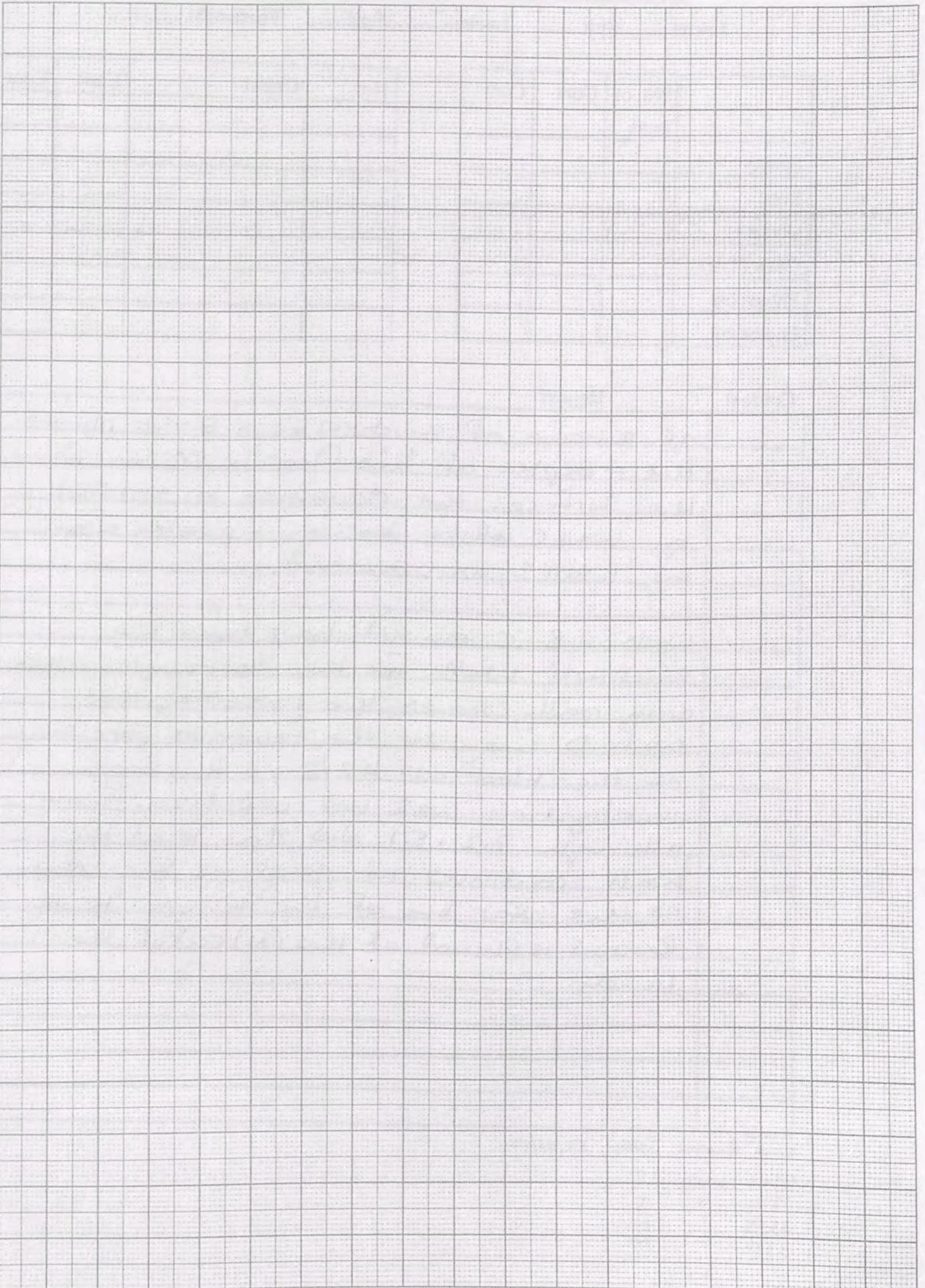
The structure/s represented by Walls A + B + Features A + B was reused in the Occupation Phase 3, delineated by a 3rd floor level

Trench B26 End.....Initials NW.....Date 17/05/05 Page 3/4
 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
	<p>at the base of S.2/6.2 (150-200cm from Surface). This 3rd floor was again composed of packed Earth + crushed lime stone. Walls A+B + feature A were still in use, but the top courses of feature B make its continued use in this period questionable, but not entirely suspect. The pottery deposits associated directly with this floor were dominated by large Jars, Large bowls + Small ESA tableware. Mixed bones were again present.</p>
	<p>between the tertiary + secondary Quaternary phases of occupation, the area was intentionally filled with rubble + a whole mix of mixed pottery. The floor still preserved at the base of Locus 4 Spit 2 (otherwise known as Locus 7, is clear in the stratigraphic level in the balk + once extended over the whole area of B26. Once again the floor was composed of packed Earth + crushed lime stone + covered</p>



Trench B26.....Initials. N.W.....Date. 17/05/05 Page 4/4
 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
	all remains of structures from earlier phases. the depth of this floor is 80 cm from the surface. the occupation is testified by wall C with its doorway + possibly even by wall 1, now removed.
	Walls A, B + C can not have been the sanctuary wall for the JK temple, which only really leaves the possibility that wall D may be the tenebris. Because of the floor at 4.2/7, a thorough investigation was not undertaken here although 7.2 + 8.1 did show that the wall continues at least as far down as the alter line of the temple. Bulk removed is planned at this (N) end of the trench.

End Photos Taken 17/05/05

3313 Looking S
 3314 " S
 3315 " N
 3316 " N

Trench B31 Initials NLW Date 16/05/05 Page 1
 Locus 1 Spit 2 Locus Feature/s

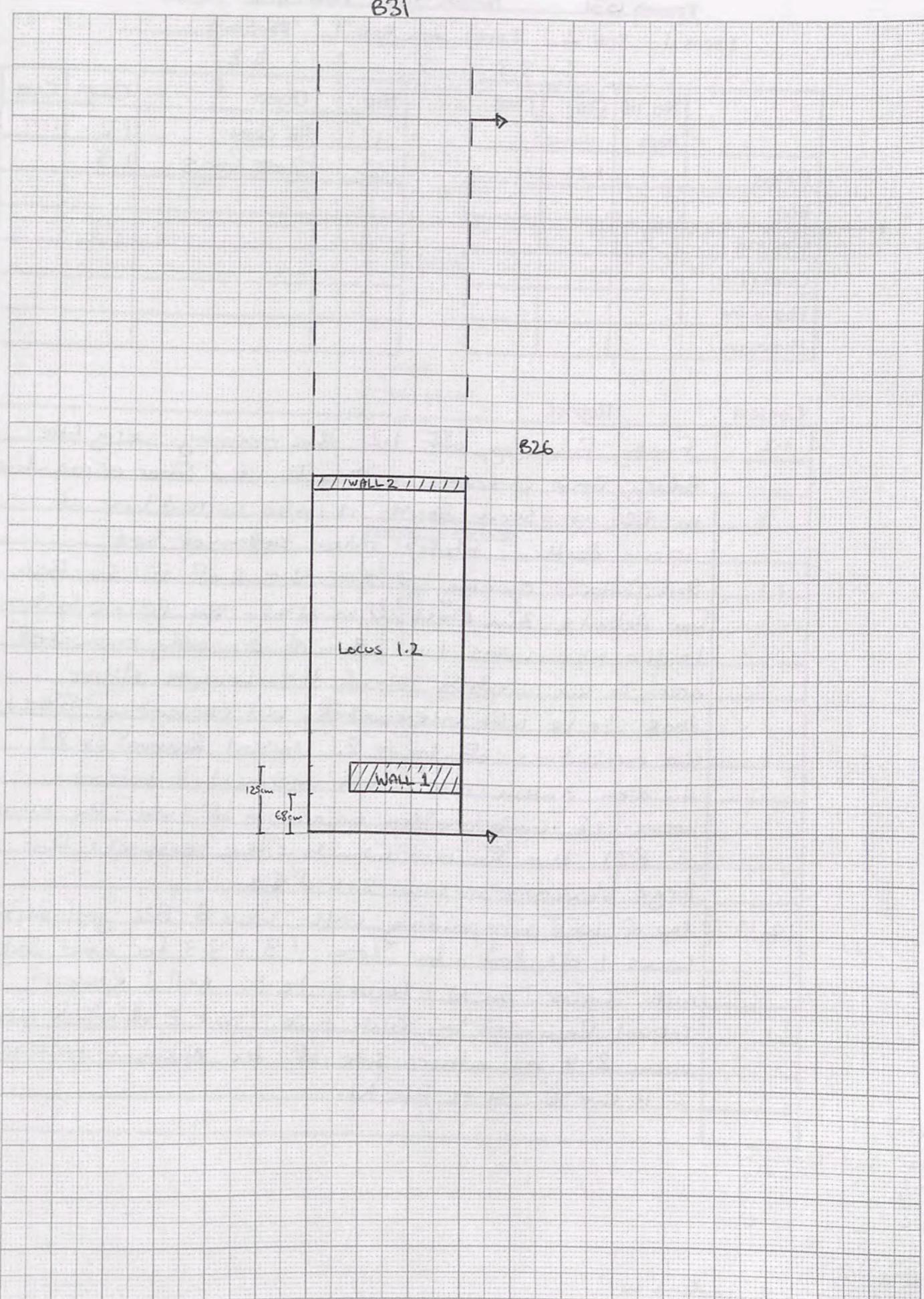
	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery			
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont

Context Report

1.2 Still bringing down 1.2. a wall in line with wall 1 in trench B26 now appears certain. To be known as Wall 1. It also seems that we are to extend our trench a further 8 metres to the N to encompass the full length of B26, plus the N bank abutting the temple. Wall C of B26 continues along N edge of 1.2, to be known as wall 2.

1mm Squares



Trench...B31.....Initials...NLU.....Date...17/05/05.....Page...1
 Locus...1.....Spit...2.....Locus...2.....Spit...1.....Feature/s.....

1 3 + 3.3 2 , 2 + 4.2

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

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
1	AE COIN	1.2	.509
2	Glass frags	1.3	

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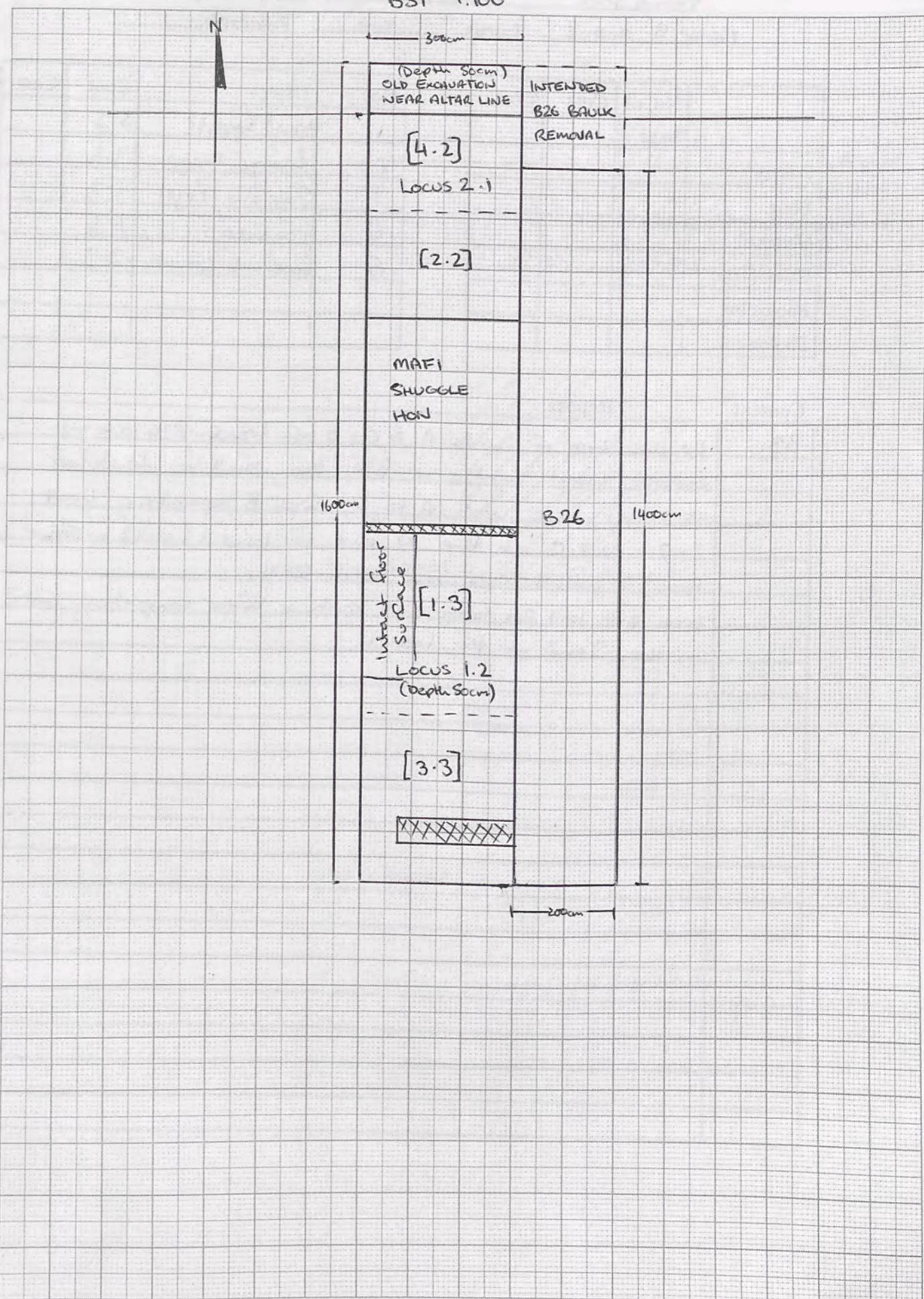
Context	Report
1.2	Finally finishing off 1.2 this morning. very little pottery, bone, charcoal or objects. the floor encountered in B26 at ± 50cm depth is also current here at 50cm depth. Photos taken bottom of Spit.
2.1	Start photos. Opening up the N End of B31 See Plans for details, 3m E-W, 5m N-S. The B31's extension to the N includes 1m - 3m of previously excavated area to the immediate S of the Temple Altar line. To be left unexcavated, but cleaned up following the excavation of Locus 2. Topsoil removed as 2.1 An area 3x4m is to be left unexcavated between Locus 1+2 unfortunately on account of time + the aims of B31, the focus of which is the tenebris + the large structure in Locus 5+6 of B26.
1.2 (1.3+3.3)	Top of wall corresponding with Wall B B26 just visible. Locus 1 divided into Locus 1.3 + 3.3 for next spit. with Locus 1 to N + Locus 3 to S. Wall 1 removed.
2.1	Topsoil removed by GWC + co. Spit 2 divided into Locus 2+4 on either side of the Monks tenebris, 2 to the S, 4 to the N.
Photos 2.1	

3301 - Start looking N
 3302 " " S
 3303 " " S
 3304 " " E

Photos 1/2

3559 - Base Spit 2 Looking W
 3560 - " " " N
 3561 " " " N
 3562 " " " S
 3563 " " " S
 3564 - Detail floor " N

B31 1:100



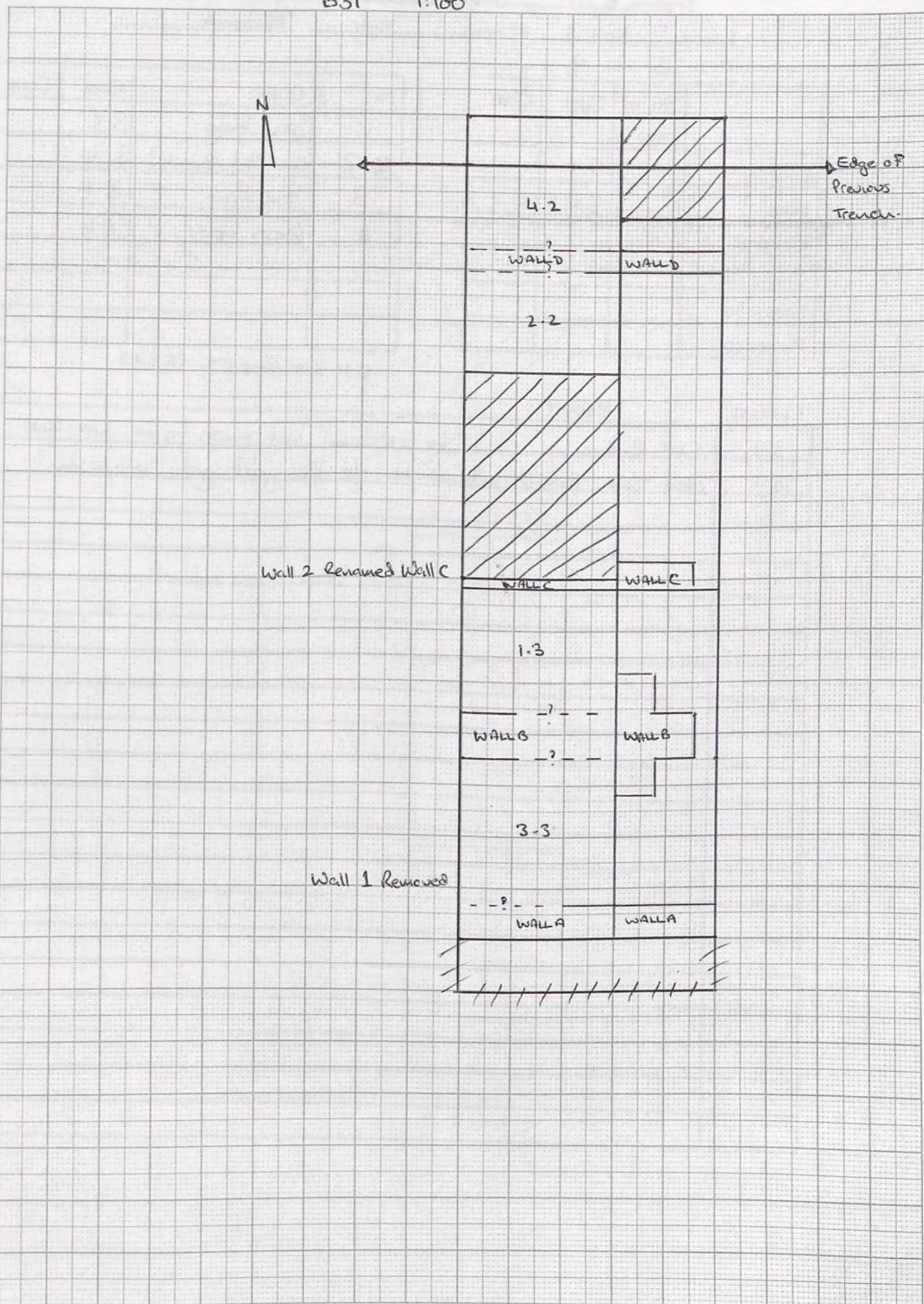
Trench B31 Initials NHW Date 18/05/03 Page 1
 Locus 3 Spit 3 Locus Spit Feature/s

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

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
1	Iron? Fossil (?)	3-3	
2	Bronze Frag	3-3	
3	Glass Ring Bezel	3-3	
4	Iron Frag	3-3	
5	Rock with Groove	3-3	

Context	Report
B31	As the tops of walls A, B, C + D of trench B28 are all exposed albeit slightly in B31, they shall be identified as such. Thus wall A to 3, wall B separating loci 1+3, wall C at the N end of locus 1 (wall 2 in earlier plans) + Wall D between loci 2+4 - Loci 2+4 left for today, will continue after completing spit 3 in the S end of the trench.

B31 1:100



Trench... B.31.....Initials.NLW.....Date.19/05/05 Page...1
 Locus....3.....Spit.3..... Locus.....Spit..... Feature/s.....

3 4

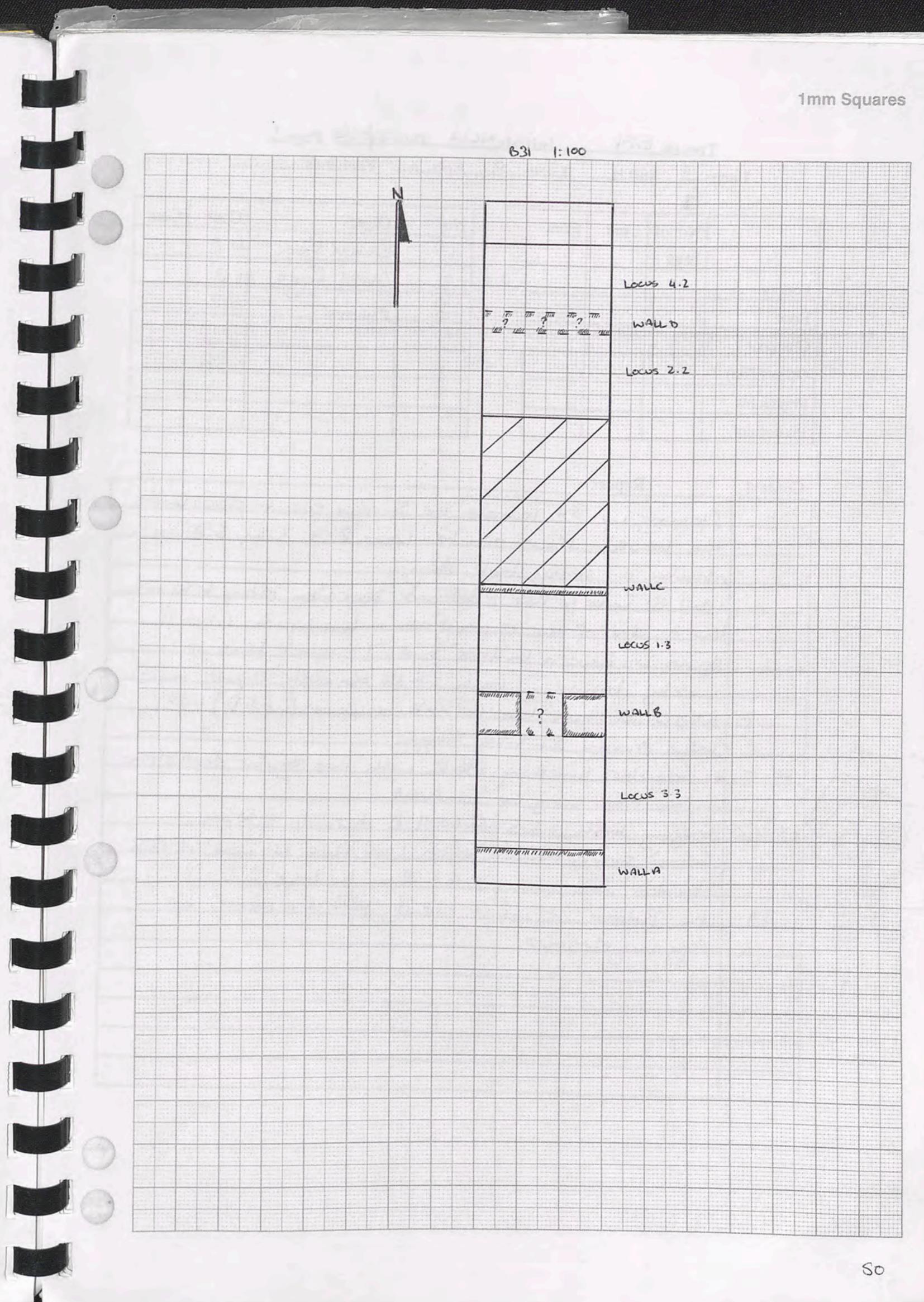
	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery		3.4	
Bone		3.4	
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
1	Iron Frag.	3-3	
2	Oven Mat/Burnt?	3-4	
3	Iron Frag	3-4	
4	Glass frag	3-4	

B31 3.4 Lamp frag 05.588

Context Report

3.3	Still Reducing 3.3 to $\frac{1}{2}$ 100cm. Not much to do just here.
3.4	Next Spat. didn't intend to go this just yet. Malesh.



Trench...B31.....Initials.NLW.....Date.21/05/05 Page...1
 Locus...3.....Spit.4..... Locus...4.....Spit.2.... Feature/s.....

2 2

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

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
1	Bronze Frag	4.2	
2	Glass Frag	4.2	
3	Mismar	3.2	

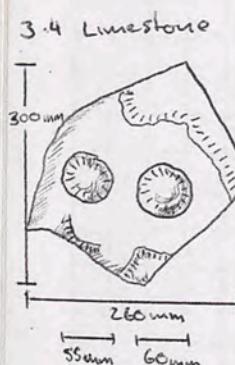
Context Report

3.4 Cleaning up 3.4 to make the surface even + clean back the bowl. Then on to Locus 2+4. Only 6.30am, already a sticky hot day.
 Wall B looks to have a definite doorway straight through the centre of the exposed area in this trench. Wall A appears to have a buttress but I suspect this is merely tumble. Both walls obviously require more attention, but the possible trumeau (wall D) will take priority at this stage.

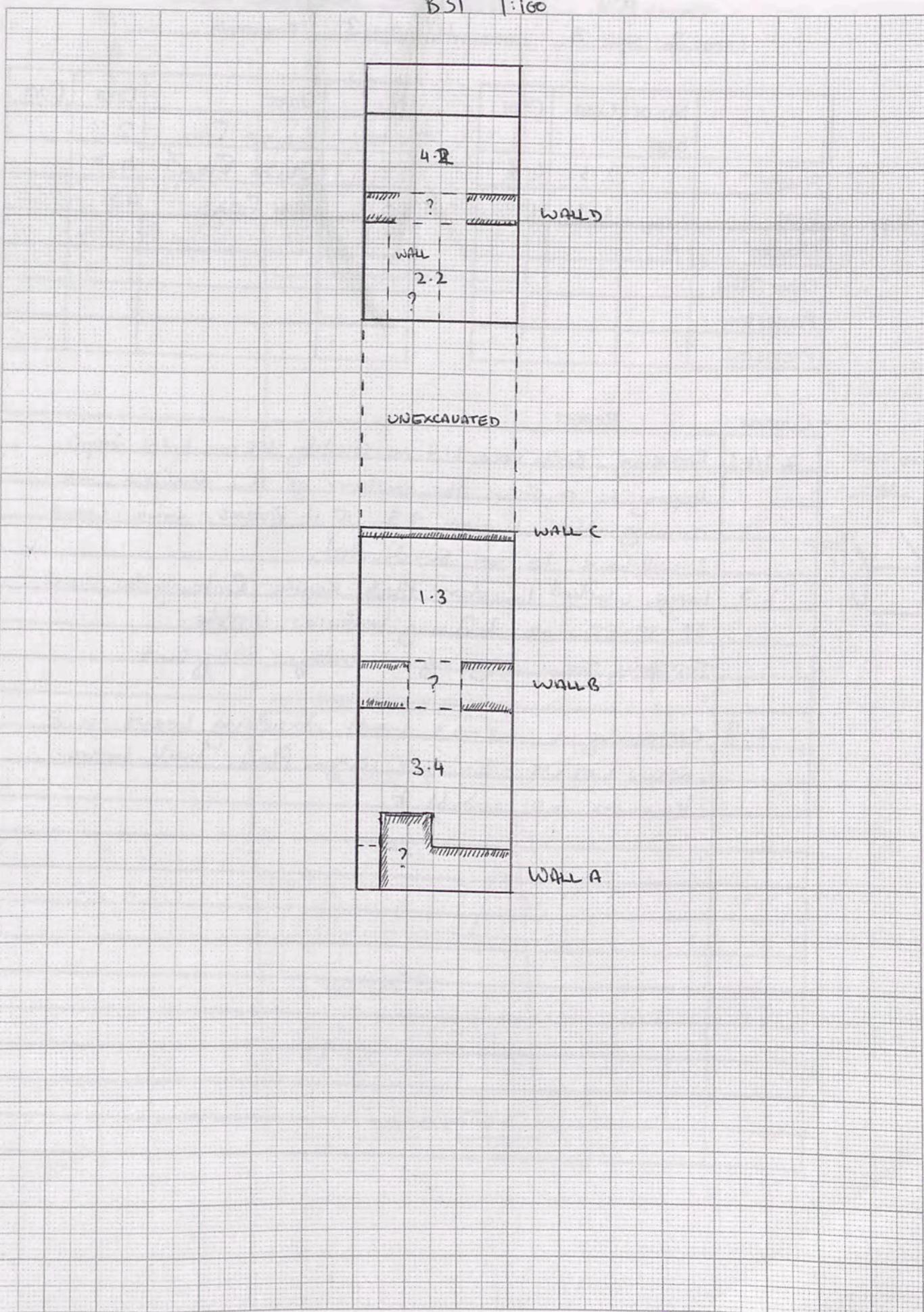
4 Irregular limestone block with two regular depressions on one side. May be natural.

22/4.2 bringing both sides of wall D down to ± 50cm.
 Ground surface more even here than it was in B26.
 - Mound wall running N-S through locus 2-2...?

3.4 The "Buttress" is in fact clearly part of a corner. all very mysterious.



B31 1:100



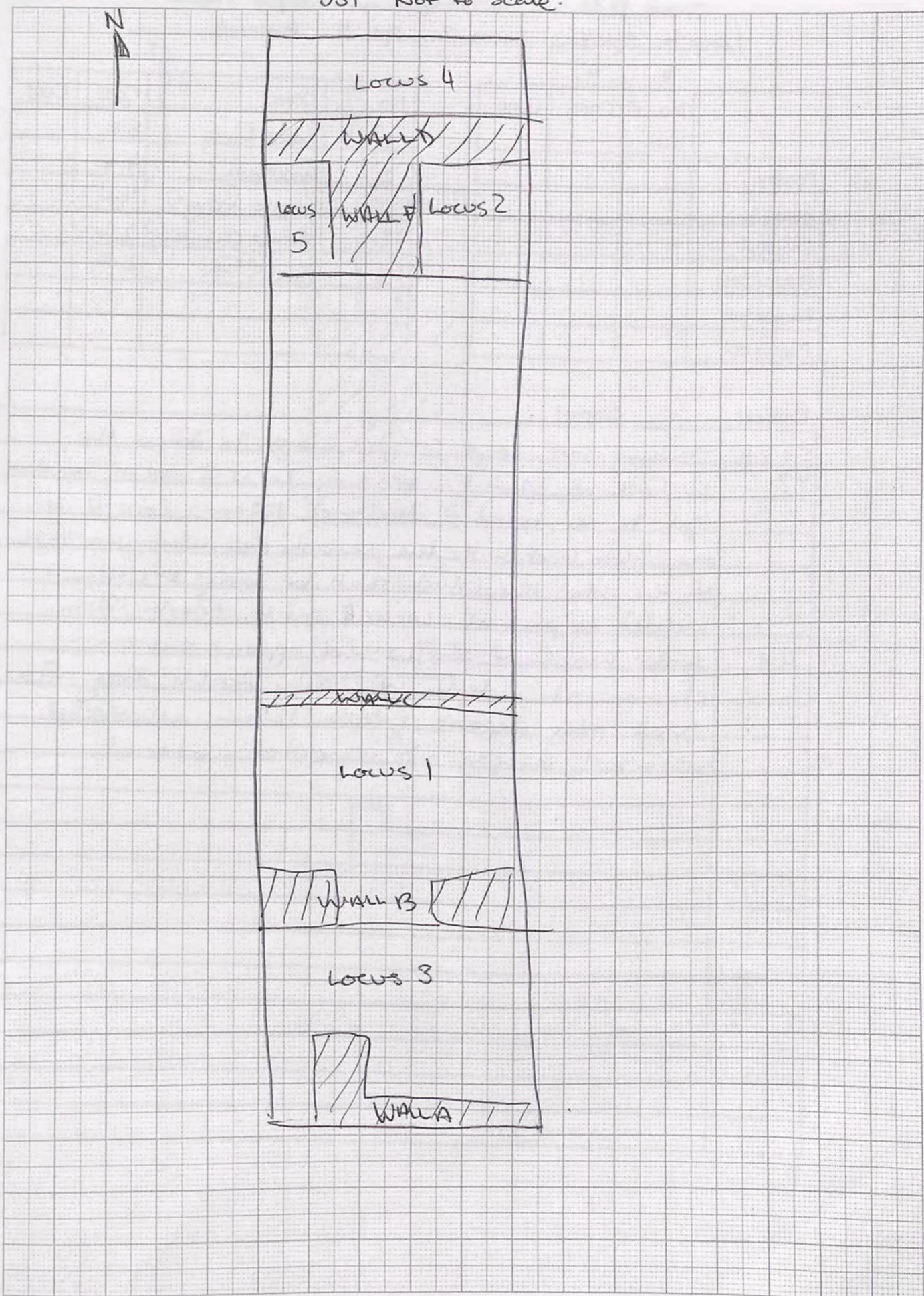
Trench... B31.....Initials... NLW.....Date... 22/05/05 Page... 1
 Locus... 2.... Spit... 3..... Locus... 4..... Spit... 3.... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	2.3	4.3	
Bone	2.3	4.3	
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
1	Bronze Frag	2.3	
2	Glass Frag	4.3	
3	Iron Frag	4.3	

Context	Report
WORKED BLOCK 2.3. 38cm	2.3/4.3 Reducing Both Loci 1+4 to roughly 100cm total depth. Hoping to confirm the existence of the Muniizum wall running N-S through 2.3. If it proves true Locus 2 will have to be subdivided.
35cm 28cm	2.3 Large Worked Limestone Block Regular Rectangles prism. 38 x 38 x 28cm No defining features visible. Terrribly slow day again today. Very hot.
	2.3 Certainly a N-S wall dividing Locus in 2 new Locus - S. See rough Plan. Wall to be known as Wall F.

B31 Not to Scale.



Trench B31 Initials. N.H. Date. 23/05/05 Page 1

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

S 4

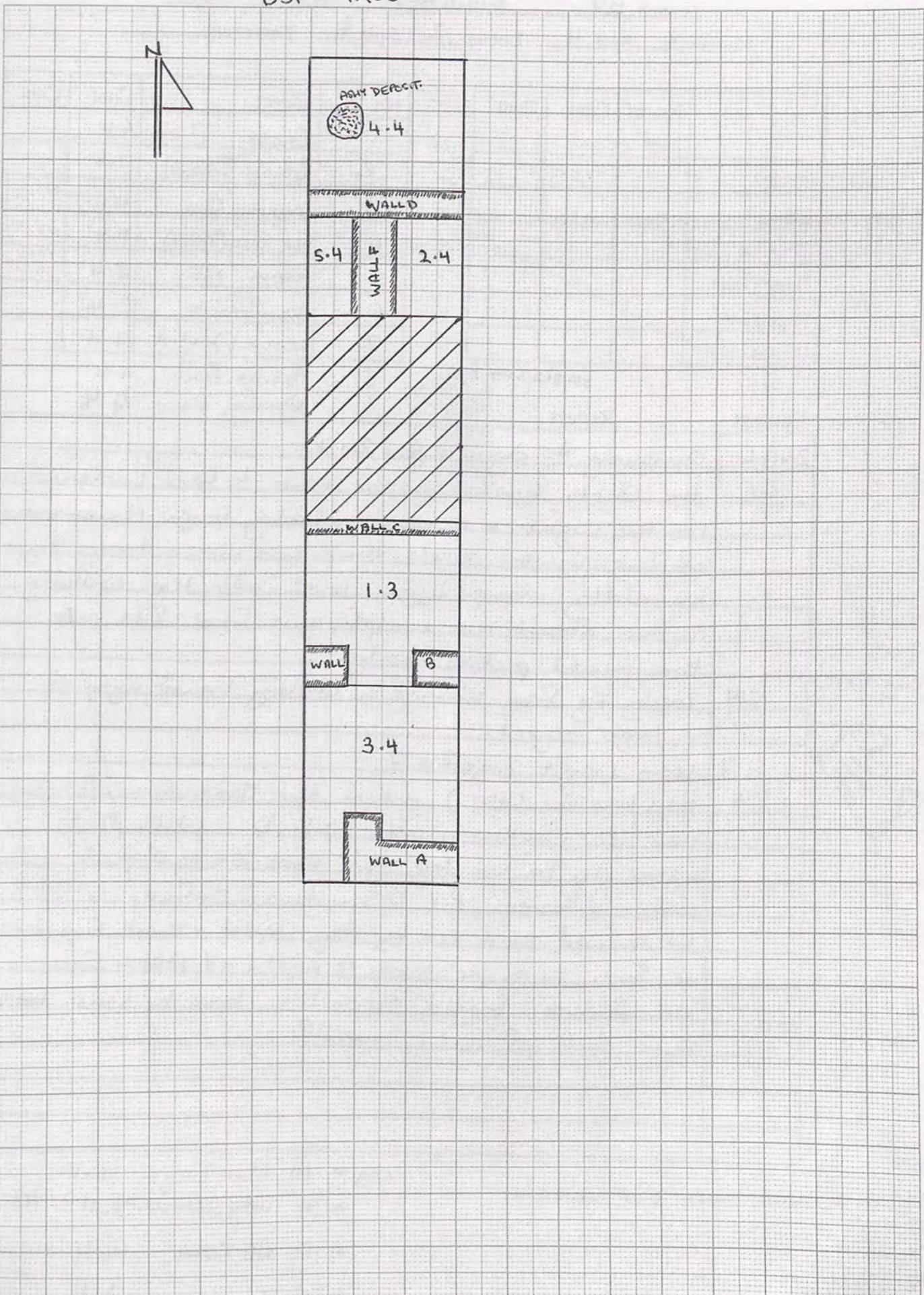
	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery			
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
1	Glass Frag	S.4	
2	Uncertain	4.4	
3	Bronze Frag	4.4	
4	Bronze chain frags?	2.4	
5	Glass Frag	2.4	

Context Report

W 2	S.4, 2.4, 4.4 .	Cleaning out Locus S.4 just enough to define the W face of Wall F. Bringing Locus 2 down another Spit to a total \approx depth of 150 cm. Locus 4 is now almost level with the previously excavated area south of the altar line which shall be brought within + included as part of Locus 4, Spit 4. \approx depth 150 cm.
3	4.4	harder horizon of soil with no apparent soil colour change at a depth of \approx 110cm. Possible dodgy floor. Small Ashy deposit \approx depth 125cm, all collected as a soil sample. No associated material
1		

B31 1:100



Trench... B31..... Initials N.W. Date 24/05/05 Page 1
 Locus 4 Spit 4 Locus 2 Spit 4 Feature/s.....

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

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
1	Glass	4.4	
2	Bronze Frag	2.4	
✓ 3	Lamp/Fig Frag	4.4	05.802
4	Fig Frag (Hand)	2.4	05.803
5	Coin AE	2.4	1803 un. sel
6	Iron Frag	2.4	
7	Loom Weight	4.4	
8	Bronze frag	4.4	
9	Gammy Piece	4.4	

05.802 Lamp frag.

Context	Report
2.4/4.4	Continuing to dig in Locus 2+4.
4.4	the slightly harder horizon seems to have hardened in the night + is now noticeably tough. An examination of the bank reveals that there was a thin layer immediately above this. Level with the walking surface around the temple, this floor fits into the general picture easily.
2.4	lovely big frag showing a chisel edge against a larger object.
4.4	Loom weight Object # 7
2.4	Pot (looks like CPOT) within the construction of Wall F, near the junction with wall D. Walls D+F appear to be bonded, yet there is a significant width difference. Pot 12cm below surface. Pot removed, surrounded by Ashy deposit + small fragments of Bone. Soil sample taken (2 bags) + all pottery from the feature bagged separately. looks to have been some sort of incinerator?

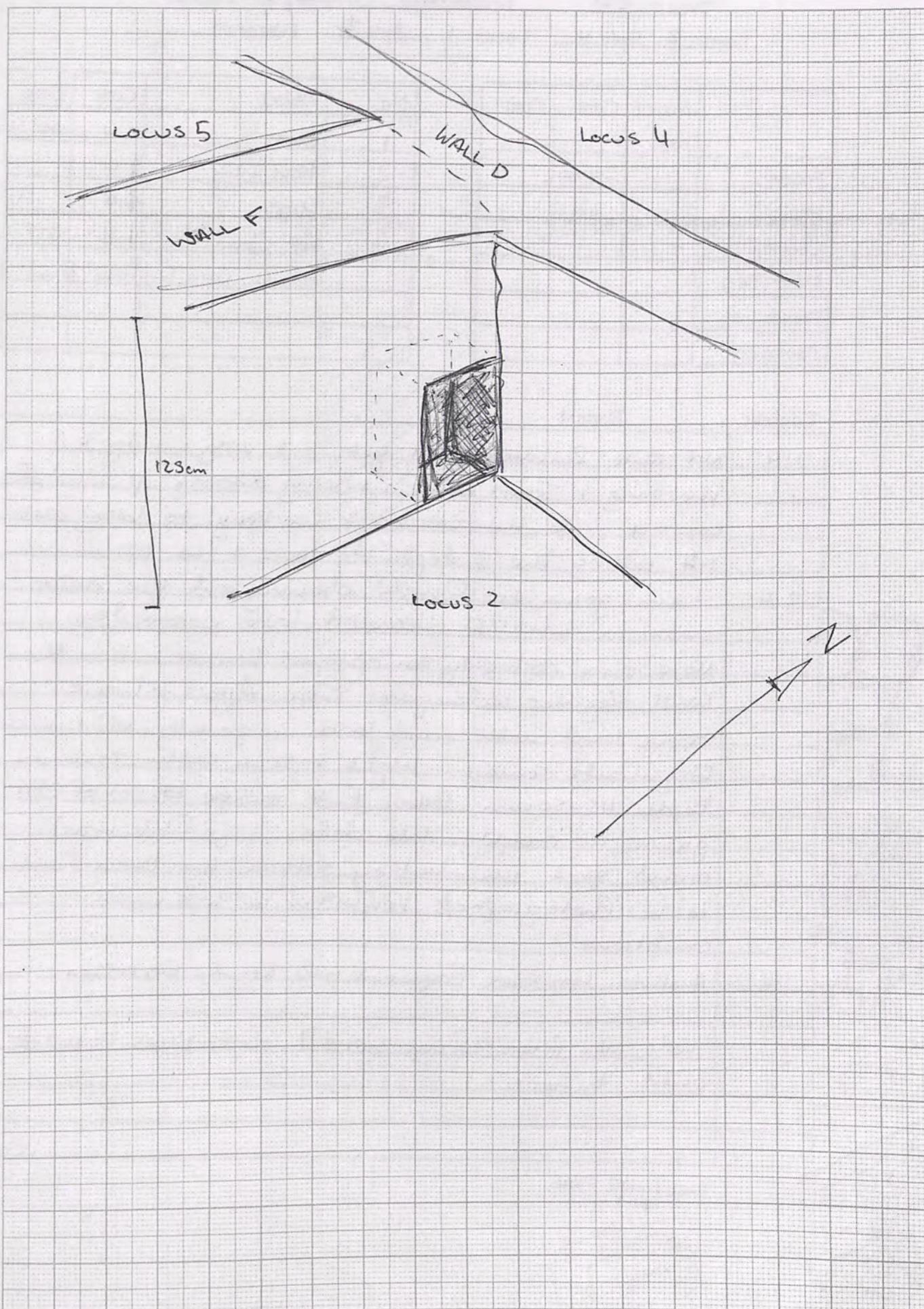
Fig Frag. Obj #4



Photos

- 3787 Pot - Junction walls D+F, Locus 2.4
- 3788 "
- 3789 "
- 3790 "

- Obj # 10 Iron Frag 4.4
- # 11 Ivory/Ostrich Shell? 4.4
- # 12 AE Coin 4.4 806
- # 13 Glass 2.4 (aren) 130-129 Ant. VII



Trench... B31 Initials NLU Date 25/05/05 Page 1
 Locus 2 Spit 4 Locus 1 Spit 1 Feature/s.....

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Pottery		2.4" NO	
Bone		2.4" NO	
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

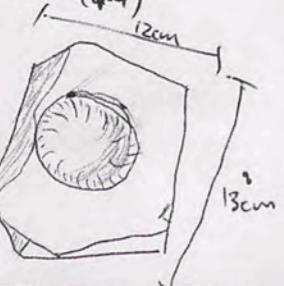
No.	Object	Cont	Cont
1	Glass	2.4	NICHE OVEN
2	Iron Frag	4.4	
3	Glass	4.4	
4	AE Corn	1.4	.885 Ant VIII 121-11+
			Islamic Corn Surface find.

Context Report

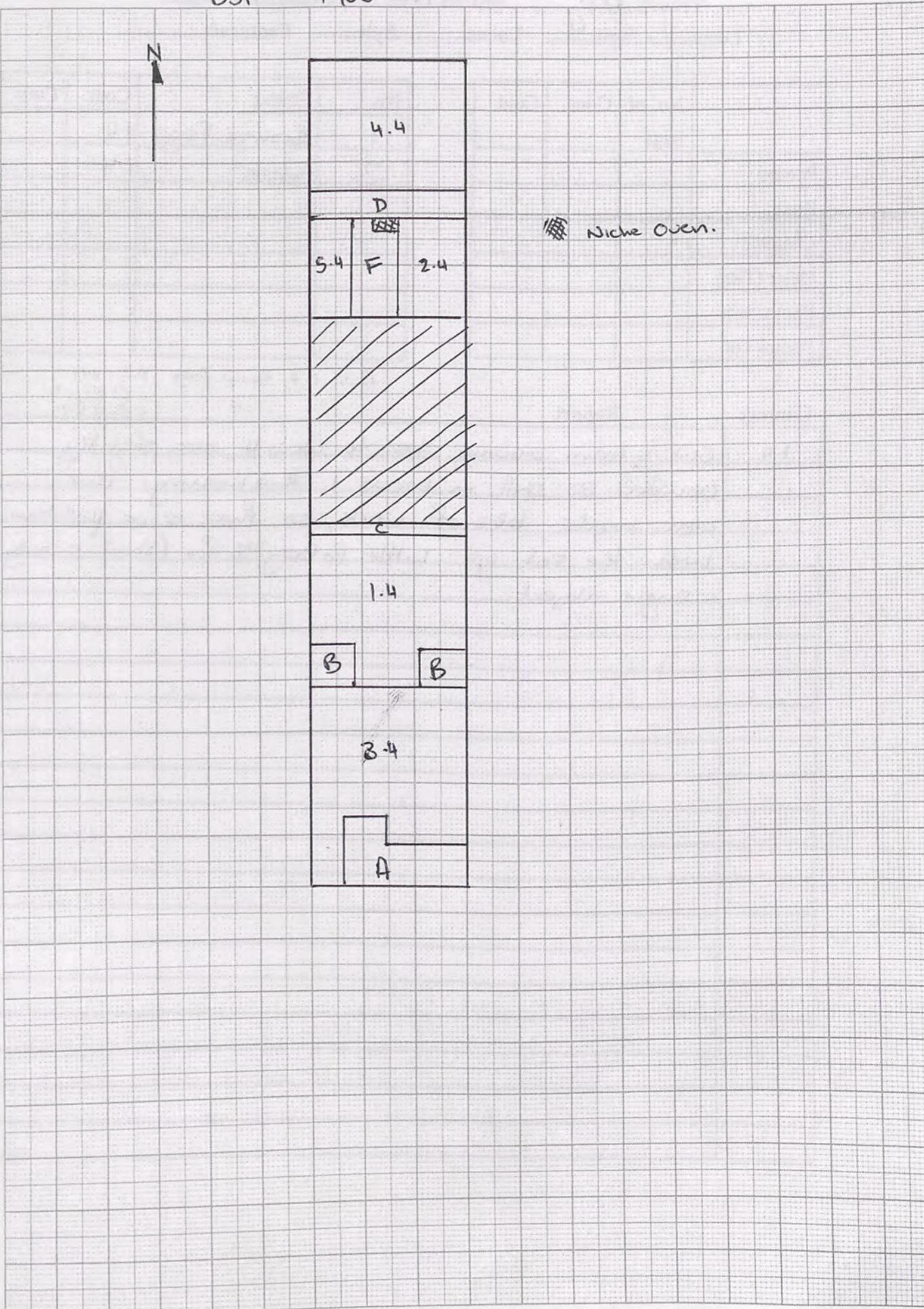
- 1.4 Not quite finished 4.4 yet, but very wavy this morning + Team GWC working directly up wind of locs 4, so the crew is working to bring out 1.4, taking the \pm depth of locs 1 to 150cm.
- 2.4 I am going to finish cleaning out the niche oven in wall F discovered late yesterday. Niche oven certainly an original feature within the wall, regular rectangular shape. Appears to have been lined with mud brick originally, of which fragments remain. height 49-52 cm, width 23-26 cm, depth 45-50 cm. pottery finds include EB rim of ESA giving a roughly late date. large flat topped round seat immediately outside the oven front to be photographed tomorrow in less wavy conditions.
- 1.4 Another limestone fragment with regular depression

Very little pottery from locus 1. Both pieces reburied until tomorrow.

LIMESTONE FRAG



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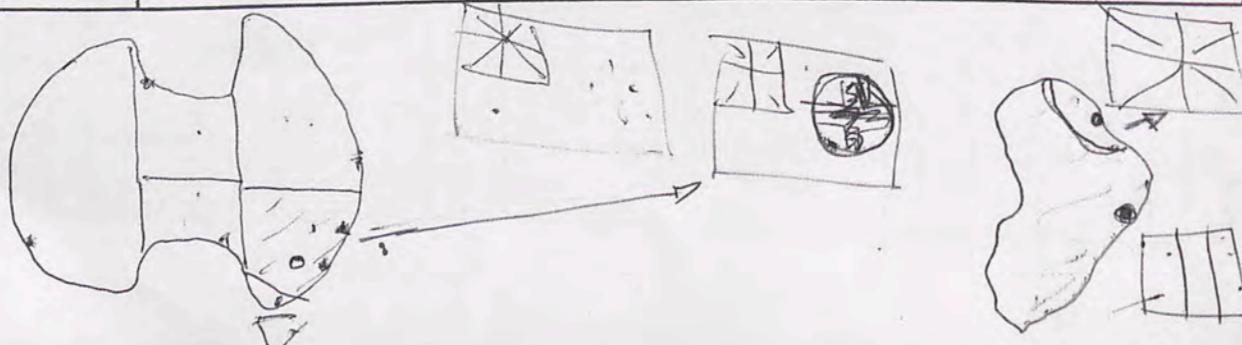


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Locus.....1..... Spit....4..... Locus..... Spit..... Feature/s.....

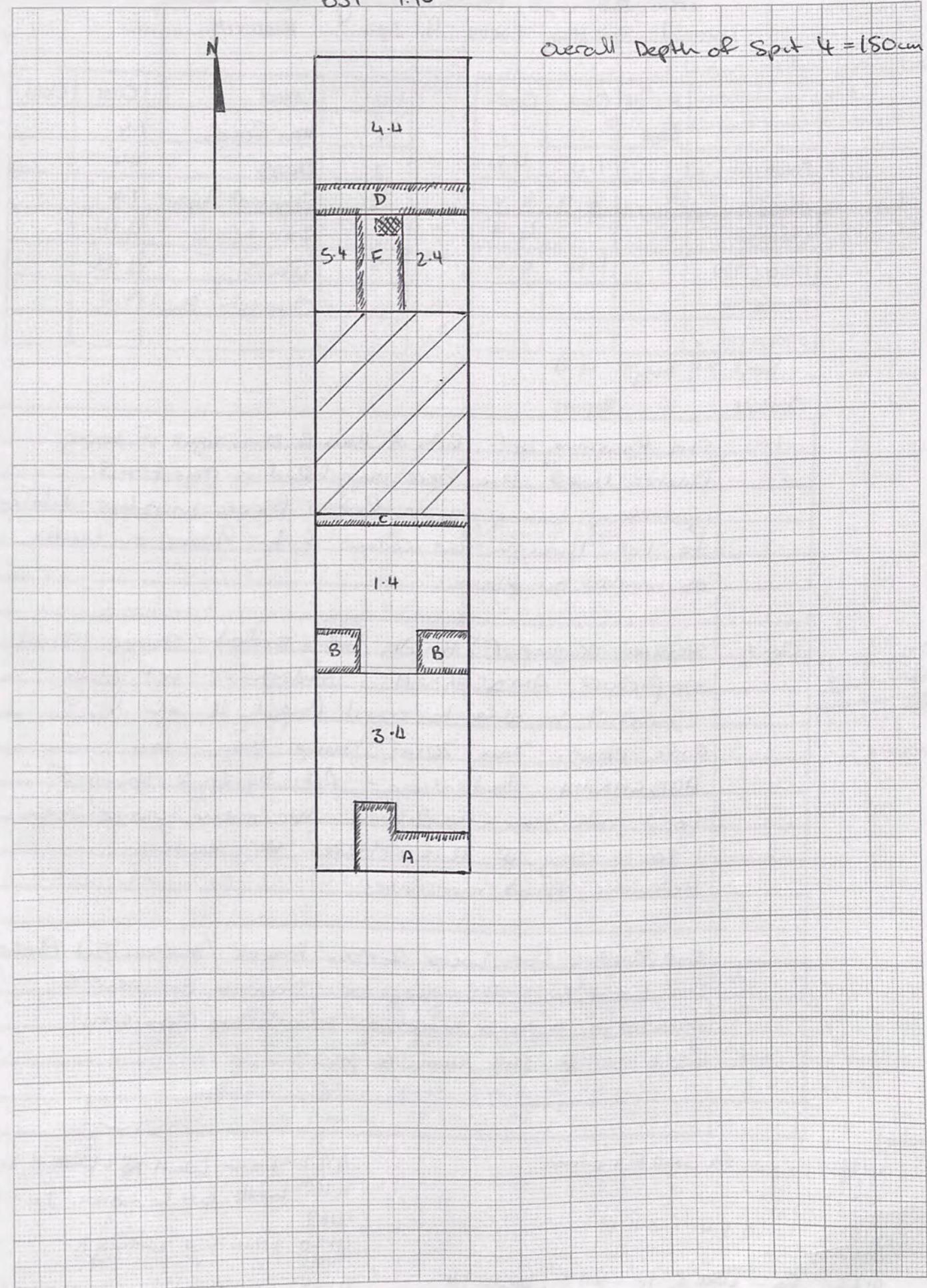
	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery			
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
1	Iron (Vault?)	1.4	
2	Bronze	1.1	
3	Coloured Plaster	1.4	

Context	Report
1.4	Continuing to finish up 1.4. Hope to make it presentable for pictures before 2nd Breakfast. Hope in vain, maybe before 12. Very slow again today.
	Spit 4 in both Locus 1+3 appears to confirm the theory of Intentional Fill proposed for the adjacent area in B26. very little in the way of objects, pottery or bone. just a lot of dirt which judging from B26 will last for the next 80cm or so.



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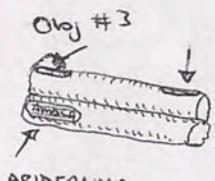
Trench B31.....Initials NW.....Date 29/05/05 Page...
 Locus 1.....Spit 4..... Locus 4.....Spit 4..... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery		1.4	4.4
Bone		4.4	4.4
Charcoal			4.4
Other (Tile)		1.4	4.4
Photos bw			
Photos col.	1		
Soil x 4 bags		4.4	

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
1	Iron frags	1.4	
2	Glass	1.4	
3	Stamped Amph.	1.4	
4	Iron frags	4.4	
5	Glass	4.4	
6	Osterich? Shell	4.4	

Context Report

1.4 Still Finishing it! Parts of WALL B shows signs of being Plaster lined, tere Piece identified as Object #3 yesterday being either Red or Black in colour. difficult to tell through the caked dirt. Plaster on Walls as marked on plan.



ABIDANNA

Obj # Stamped Amphora (?) Handle, double reeded - Stamp lettered, No Picture AMALAKANNA? Andsatina? not Greek. I mustn't be able to see it properly through it is quite clear. 7cm x 20cm, Stamp 3.5cm x 1cm. ABIDANNA - Abidsatina - Actually triple stamped! Local production - Pseudokoran. Mr Graeme, please may I see a copy of this article? Very exciting. Hellenistic Period incarnate.

End Photos For Locus 2+5, Progress / Munkin End Photos

For Locus 1+3 At Mangoria. Cleaning of Locus 5 revealed a curious depression similar to Niche oven.

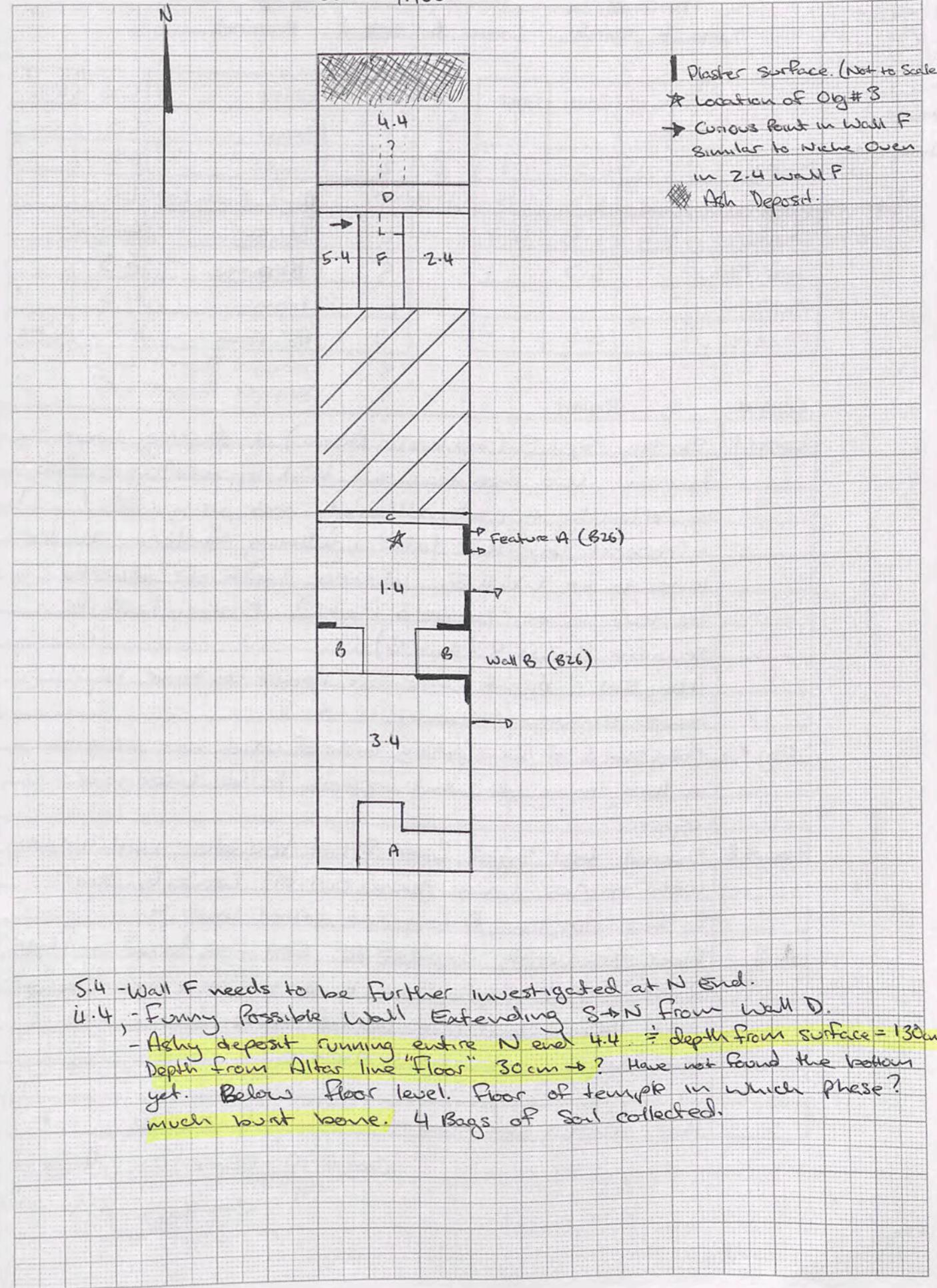
4.4 Back to 4.4, still 10cm to go.

Photo's:

- 4156
- 4157
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- 4161 Locus 5.4, Wall F
- 4162
- 4163
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- (65) 4165
- 4166
- Locus 2-4 Wall F + oven
- " "
- " "
- " "
- From Wall C to Wall B, Locus 1.4
- " " "
- " " "
- Wall A Locus 1.4 + 3.4

- 4167 From Wall A + Wall B, Locus 3.4
- 4168 Walls B + C Locus 3.4 + 1.4
- 4169 "
- 4170 From WB Locking E
- 4171 " " "
- 4172 Wall B, N face with Plaster
- 4173 " " "

B31 1:100



5.4 - Wall F needs to be further investigated at N end.
 4.4 - Funny Possible Wall Extending S to N from Wall D.
 - Ashy deposit running entire N end 4.4 ÷ depth from surface = 130cm
 Depth from Altar line "floor" 30cm → ? Have not found the bottom yet. Below floor level. Floor of temple in which phase?
 much burnt bone. 4 Bags of Soil collected.

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Trench... B31 Initials... NW Date... 3/05/05 Page...
Locus... 4 Spit S Locus... 6 Spit S Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	2	6.5	4.5
Bone	2	6.5	4.5
Charcoal	2	6.5	4.5
Other (Tile) ✓		6.5	
Photos bw			
Photos col. ✓		6.5	4.0

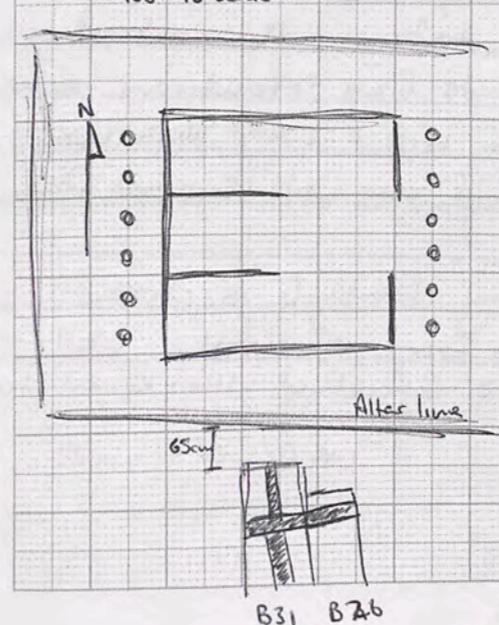
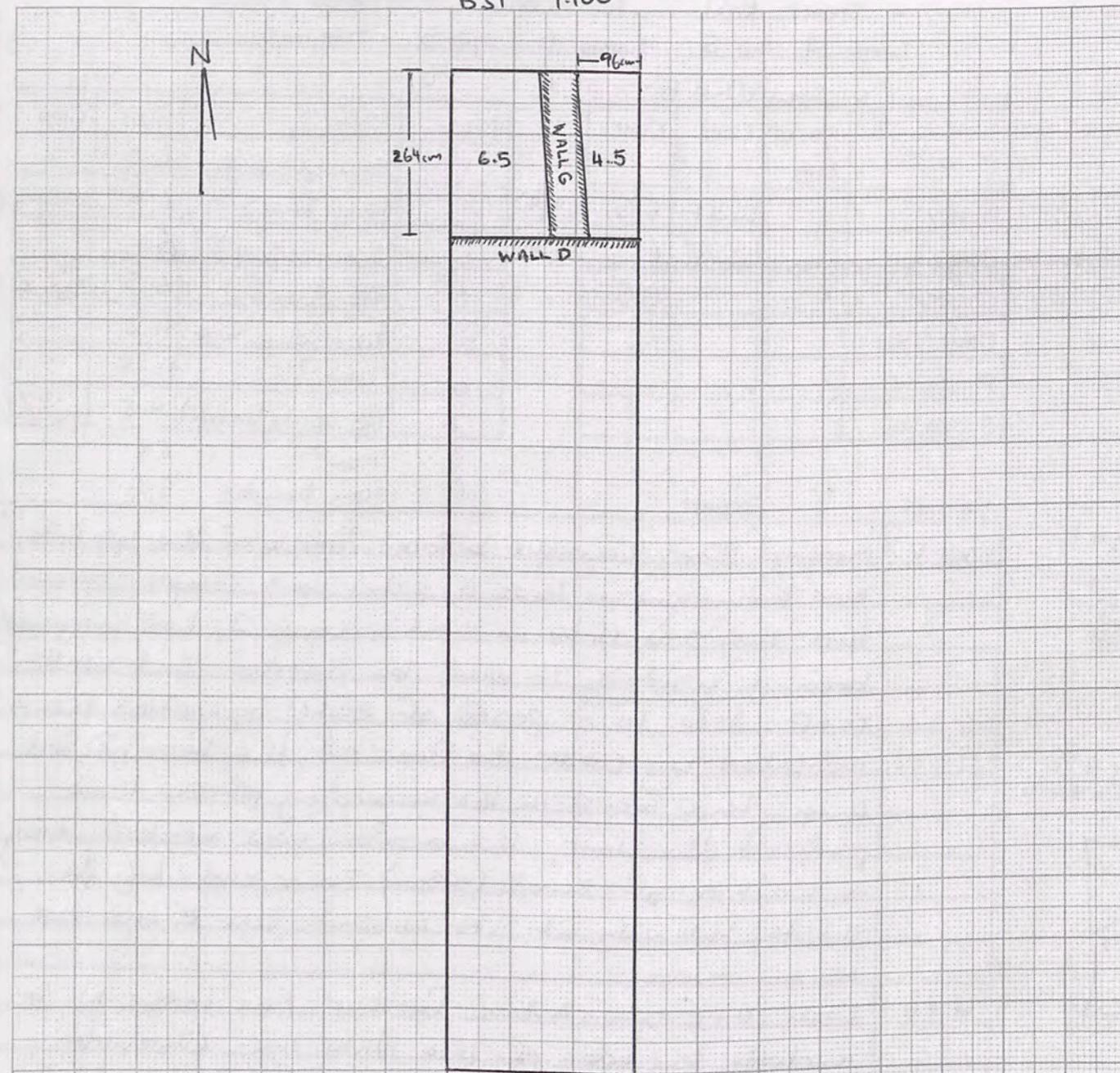
No.	Object	Cont	Cont
1	Iron	6.5	
2	Glass	6.5	
3	Pot sherd with Copper?	4.5	
4	Glass	4.5	
5	Bronze.	6.5	
6	Iron	4.5	
7	AE Coin	6.5	.1053 92-72
8	Ceramic Stopper	4.5	
9	Ceramic Stoppers	6.5	

Context Report

- Locus 4 Starting Spit S (top level $\approx 180\text{cm}$) + dividing Locus in two. The possible wall that appeared yesterday is certainly a wall, although not very wide () + covered by the later Walking Surface. to be known as Wall G. Western half of Locus to be known as Locus 6. (spit S). Eastern half to remain Locus 4 (spit 5)
Ashy Soil + Burnt + charred bones continue to occur throughout Locus 4 + 6
- Obj. #3 Body sherd of CW pottery inside of which was calcined soil + a thin lining of what appears to be bronze or copper?
- Locus 6 Several fist sized River Stone Pounders with visible wear marks have come out of Locus 6. Four so far. Plus one broken one from Locus 4.
- 4.5 Floor discovered, depth ≈ 160 , ESA frag found on floor, 2nd C BC! Depth from Bank between B26 + Temple just 140cm, but the Ground slopes away into the Temple excavations here.
- After Photos, to continue in just Locus 6

Obj # 10 Lamp Frag 4.5 05.1050
" Lamp frags 6.5 05.1062

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Locus....4....Spit.S.... Locus....6....Spit.5.... Feature/s.....

Window Wall F

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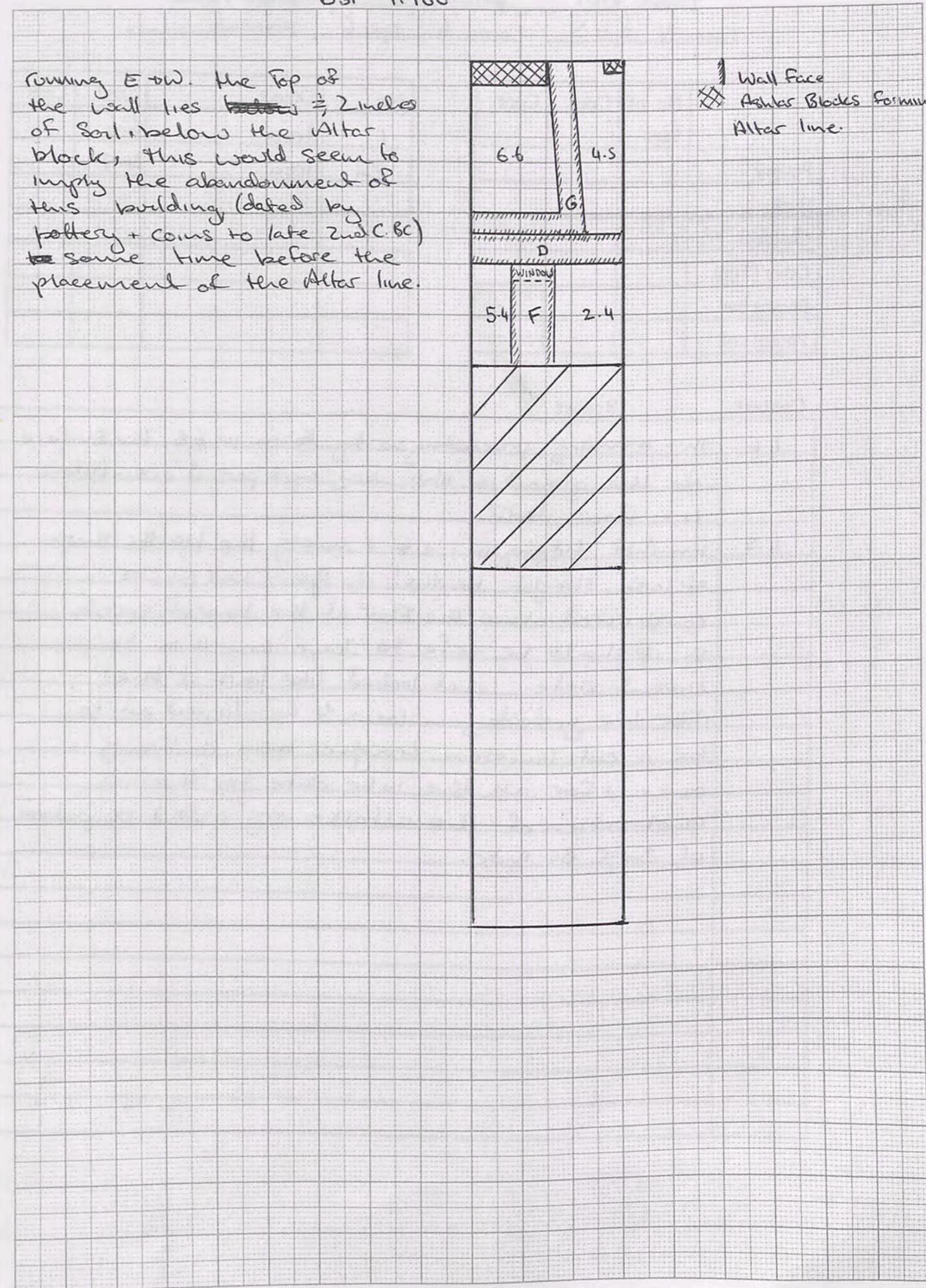
	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery		Wall F	6-S
Bone		Wall P	6-S
Charcoal			6-S
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
1	Stamped ESA	4 S	
2	Lamp Frag.	6-S	05.10.79
3	Loom Weight.	6-S	
4	AE Coin	6-S	1090 125-121 Ant VIII
5	West Slope Ware	4-S	
6	Iron?	4-S	
7	AE coin (serrated)	4-S	1089 92-72
8	Iron?	6-S	
9	Iron Handle	6-S	

Context	Report
Obj #1 Stamp 1:1	Wall F Morning After the night before. "Attack of the Wallids." Mess this morning in Locus 5, partial wall collapse, revealed that the oven niche in Wall F, Locus 2, had originally been a window. It may be surmised that walls D+F date to a period of earlier occupation than indicated by not the floor at the base of Spit 4 in this locus. In the succeeding phase that produced the floor, the window was blocked, using a mixture of small (<5cm) stones, mud + large pot sherds, but only at its W. end. The E end used as an oven.
Obj #9 (not to scale)	Locus 4+6 extended a further 1m to the N to include the edge of the Altar line. Chronology of the area confused. Spit 5 finished on floor yesterday, Spit 6 today. The extensions will be added to 4-S. Finds from extensions include ESA stamped with a crown of 185, + West Slope Ware, + a couple of coins including one with serrated flan, all 2nd C.BC!
Wall G	The structure represented by Wall G is present below the Altar line, in the form of another wall -
Obs # 10 Surface find - Within Roman Encampment	AE Coin Walls prob (1/2 CE 1088



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Trench...B31.....Initials. NW Date 01/06/05 Page....
 Locus...4.....Spit S..... Locus...6.....Spit S..... Feature/s.....

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Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
1	Iron	6.6	
2	Iron	4.5	

Context	Report
6.6	This morning, proceeding to dig down in 6.6, the surface of the ground is still very hard packed even below the floor itself.
4.5	Finished tidying in 4.5 + making the baulks sharp... at last, straight baulks! It appears wall G was constructed above the floor at the base of Spit S, so it should be safe to leave locus 4 in its current state. What looked like part of the Alter line yesterday in locus 4 has turned out to be a cut limestone trough or basin confirming once + for all the late date for the construction of the alters = very evident occupation of 2nd C BC date.

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 Locus 6 Spit 6 Locus Spit Feature/s

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

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1	Iron	66	
2	Iron Blade	66	
3	Glass	66	

Context Report

1	Last Day, finishing up Locus 6, bringing it down to fairly rough looking bed rock. Little pottery or bones. Hoping to be ready for Photos by 2nd Breakfast. Final Plan + Report on next page(s?).
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End Photo's Locus 4 + 6.

- S263 Alter line S to walls D + G
- S264 W. Bank Locus 6-6
- S265 "
- S266 "
- S267 Detail W. Bank 6-6
- S268 "
- S269 Alter line + Wall G.
- S270 Walls D + G.
- S271 ?
- S272 Wall G W. Face
- S273 Detail w. Bank 6-6
- S274 Walls D + G.
- S275 Alter line + Wall G.
- S276 "
- S277 W. Bank 6-6
- S278 "
- S282 Basin + N Bank Locus 4-5
- S283 Wall D (4-5)
- S284 Oblique S along E Bank + wall D (4-5)
- S285 Wall G + D (4-5)
- S286 "
- S287 "
- S288 From Wall G to Basin. (4-5)
- S289 E. Bank (4-5)
- S290 Overhead of Basin.
- S291 "

FINAL REPORT.

Trench B31 Initials NW Date 02/06/05 Page....
Locus..... Spit..... Locus..... Spit..... Feature/s.....

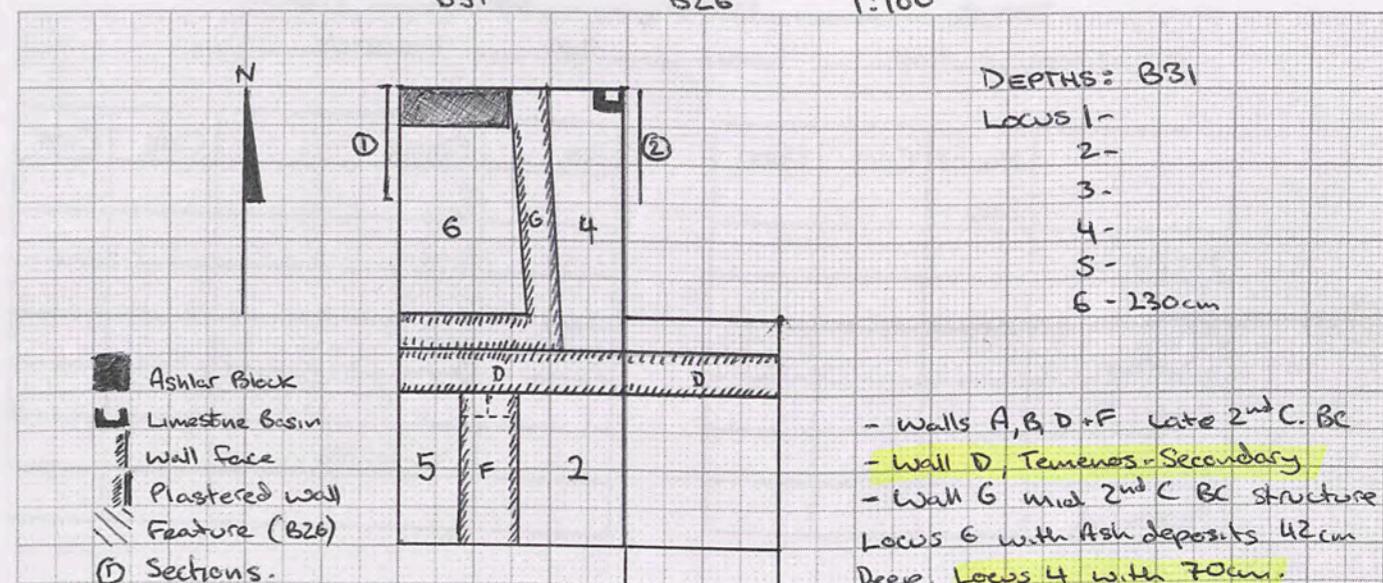
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Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
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2	Iron blade	6-6	
3	Glass	6-6	

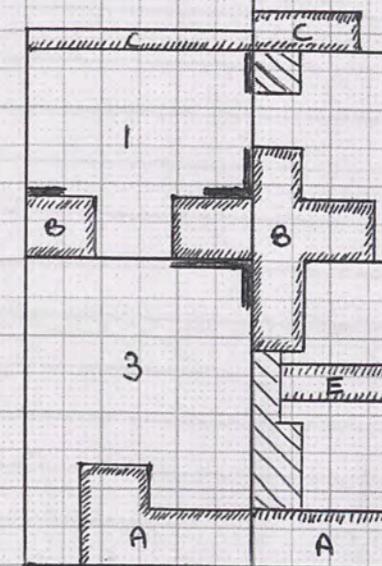
Context	Report
.	The Southern portion of B31, unfortunately only excavated to a depth of \pm 150cm, confirmed the existence of substantial remains of a late 2nd/early 1st C. BC structure, although it did leave more questions as to ground plan + function as the exposed doorways + walls do not align. The Southern B31 excavations also confirmed later, (sub-Hellenistic) possible squatter occupation on the site as seen in B26. (walls 1-4)
.	The Northern Excavations were far more revealing. Walls D + F date from the late 2nd C. BC, wall F containing an opening later blocked + used as an oven. Wall D can be fairly confidently identified as a late temenos around the temple. Wall G represents a structure dated to somewhere between 175-125 BC that contained ash deposits up to 42cm deep. outside this room (Locus 4) the deposits were as deep as 70cm. This phase clearly went beneath both Wall D + the temple Altar line confirming both to be from a secondary phase of temple construction.

1mm Squares

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Sections of East Baule, Locus 4 + West Baule, Locus 6 on Following Page.



Trench..... Initials..... Date..... Page....

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Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

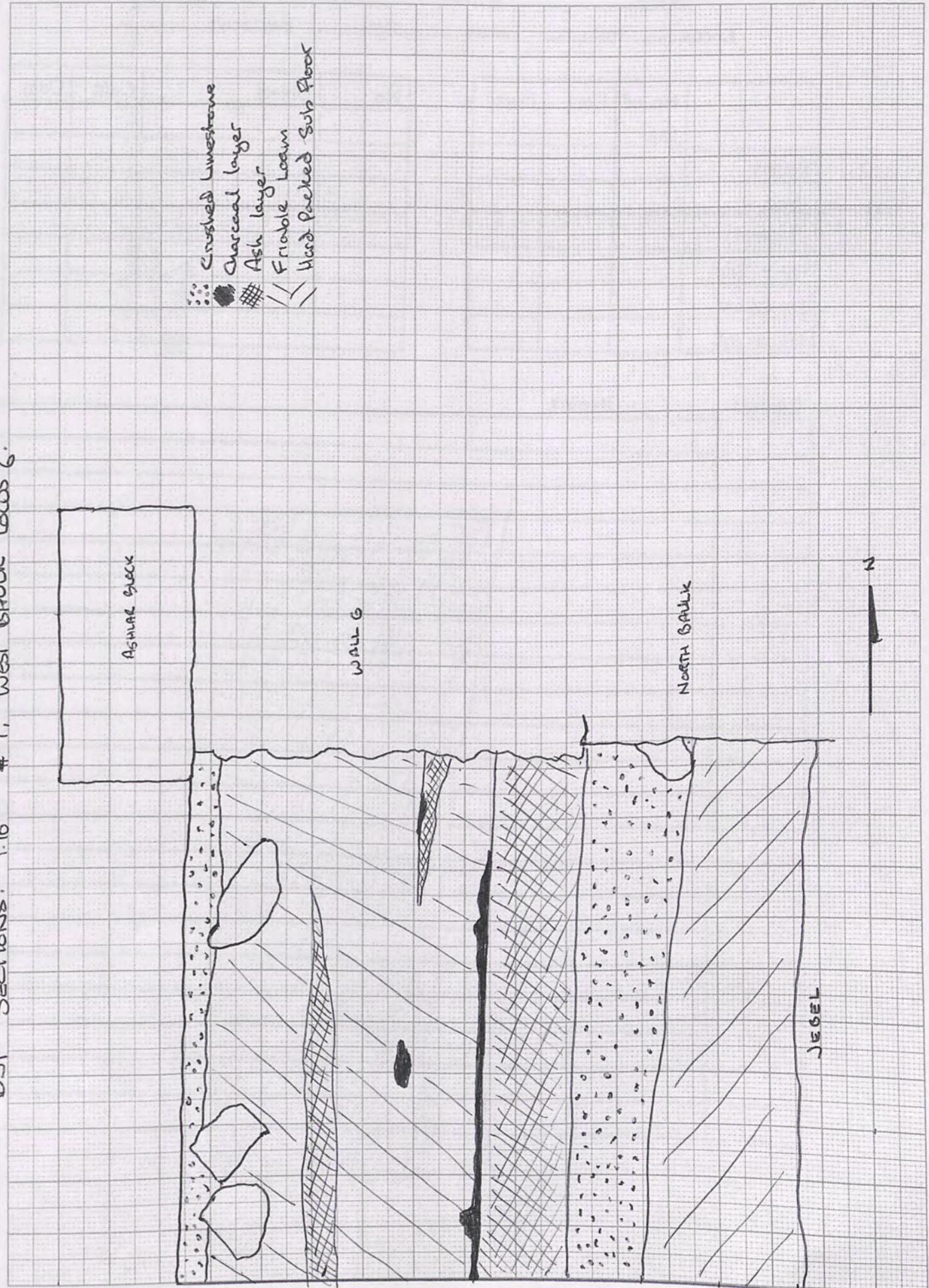
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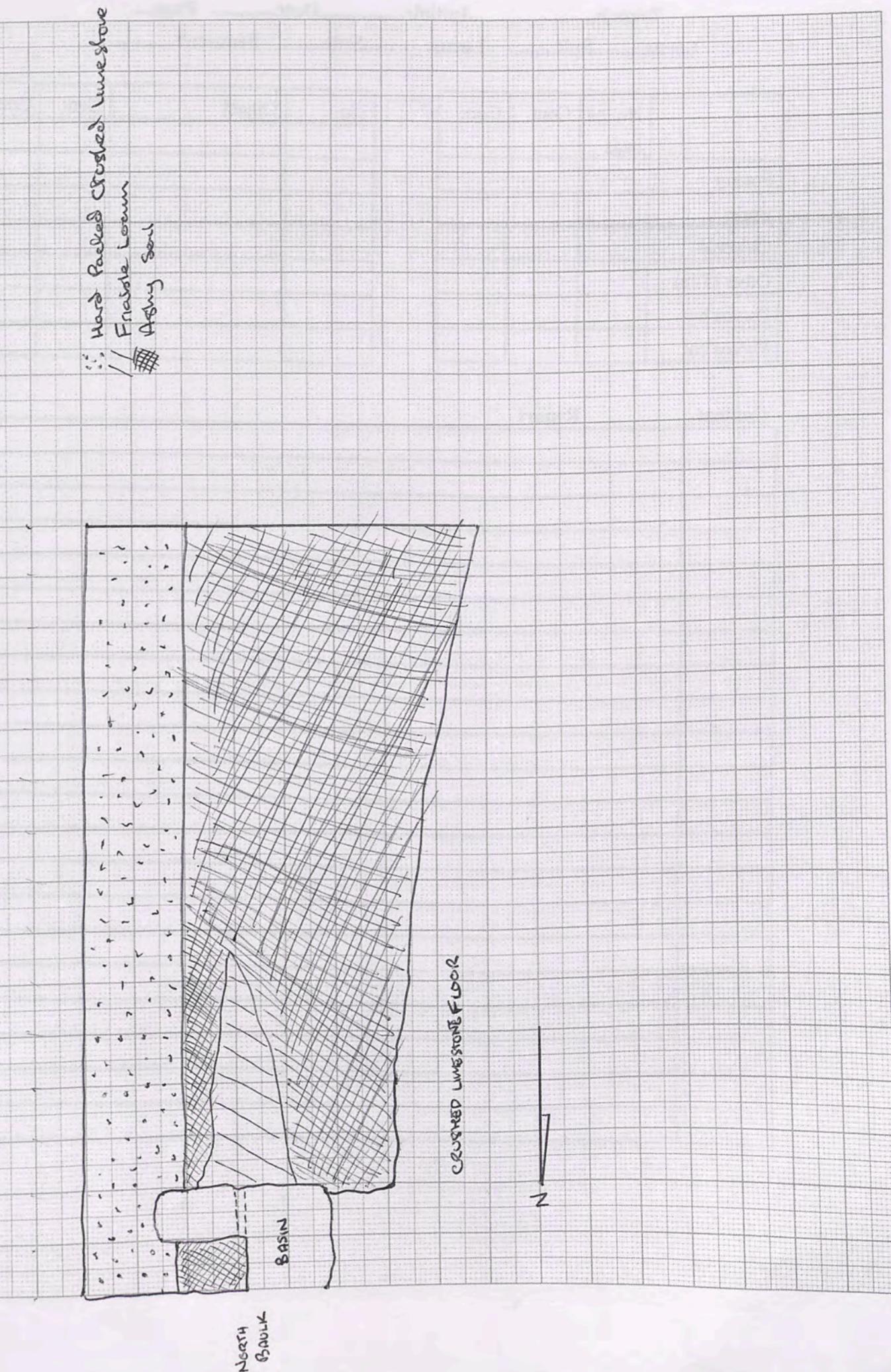
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Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont

Context	Report

331 SECTIONS 1:10 #2 EAST BAULK LOCUS 5



Jebel Khalid 2005, Area B – Trenches 26 and 31

Excavations this season around the southern perimeter of the Jebel Khalid temple brought several new facts to light regarding the chronology of the structure and immediate area. Two adjacent trenches running seventeen metres on a north-south alignment, B26, being the initial excavation, was two metres wide with B3¹/₂ expanding the open area excavation a further three metres to the west.

The trenches were taken down in some places as far as 3.4 metres, in the course of which four clear phases of occupation were clearly visible. Each phase was sealed by an intact floor surface of hard packed soil, in three cases combined with crushed limestone. All but the lowest phase can be dated through pottery and coin finds from the mid to late 2nd C into the 1st C BC. The sole evidence for occupation dating before 160 BC was the foundation and single course of a substantial wall (80cm wide) running east-west through the southern end of the excavated area. The earliest floor surface was contemporary with this structure. The little associated pottery recovered from this phase was loosely dateable to the 3rd and early 2nd C BC.

The depths of the various deposits between floor surfaces over such a short period and the content of the fill (many small fragments of pottery mixed with soil of uniform colour and texture with few whole vessels away from the actual floor surfaces) suggests intentional covering of and packing between occupation levels. In addition, the structures of the three later phases each incorporated large ashlar limestone blocks and other materials such as column drums which had clearly been removed from nearby public buildings, the most likely being the temple itself.

A late Hellenistic temenos ran east-west through the northern end of both trenches indicating that even if stone from the temple was being re-used within domestic structures, the space around the temple was still considered sacred. The distance between the southern altar line of the temple and the temenos wall was three metres. The temenos was constructed above the thick surface of crushed limestone that has, up until this season, been considered the working floor of the temple from the period of its construction (late 4th or early 3rd C. BC) though to the period of its abandonment sometime in the 1st C. BC or shortly after. An area of 3.5 x 3m. in B31 north of the temenos and including the altar line, was excavated below this walking surface with surprising result.

Rather than encountering early Hellenistic packing and fill, an uncertain structure was revealed which ran below the altar line and was filled with successive ash and charcoal deposits to a maximum depth of 42 cm. A scatter of fragments of locally produced small and large bowls, imported late Hellenistic fine wares was recovered from throughout this ashy horizon. The late date was confirmed by several coins including an early 1st C. BC metropolitan issue from Antioch. Large amounts of predominantly unburnt bone of ovid/caprid and larger species were also encountered in this deposit. The floor upon which the ash had been deposited was constructed over a hard packed earth horizon directly above bedrock.

Outside this structure, the successive ash deposits were also visible to a uniform depth of 70cm, filled with a similar assemblage and number of animal bones, in this case, mostly burnt. Burnt iron objects were also recovered from this area including arrow heads. A limestone basin (46cm wide) with drainage hole was partially uncovered in the baulk below the altar line apparently floating in the ashy deposit. A single serrated coin from this area confirmed the late Hellenistic date for the area below the working floor contemporary with the late temenos and altar line. Thorough investigation of the bones and soil samples have yet to undertaken, although preliminary PH testing of the ash showed it to be incredibly alkaline (10+), suggesting little organic material had been mixed with the deposit as might be expected in domestic waste.

The quantities of burnt material mixed throughout the ash deposit, its location immediately south of the cella wall and below the later altar line and the apparent lack of organic matter all suggest that we may be dealing with a sacrificial dump. Such deposits have not been encountered within the vicinity of Jebel Khalid's temple until this season there is no direct evidence for sacrificial altars in the immediate area. The presence of possible sacrificial deposits including animal remains could be considered unlikely in view of the Mesopotamian floor plan and proportions of the Jebel Khalid temple. However, as the ethnic make up of the city has never been clearly defined; assumptions regarding function based purely on form are potentially misleading especially in Hellenistic contexts. It might also be noted that Greek style animal sacrifice was taking place within the governor's palace on the settlement's acropolis.{*}

Regardless of the nature of the deposit and associated structure, this season's excavation revealed a secure first century BC deposit below the walking surface upon which was built the later altar line and temenos. Although it does appear that parts of the temple complex were reused in domestic structures in the second century BC, the sacred precinct was clearly still functioning into the first century BC. This season's surprising results call for further investigation around the temple. If the ash deposits point towards animal sacrifice, the later construction of a line of incense altars above this area indicates a possible change in religious practice at the site. It is difficult at this point to say exactly what socio-religious and political changes were taking place at Jebel Khalid in the late Hellenistic period, although what little evidence there is suggests a change in religious needs or cult practice and may even herald the arrival or dominance of a newly visible Semitic population.

Straight.....Doo-gri
 Up, high, top.....Fohq
 Bottom, down, low.....Tah-hat
 Fallen, tumble.....Wah-kah
 Pit.....Beer
 Well.....Ain
 Wall.....Hayt
 Street.....Tar-eek
 House.....Bayt
 Room.....Ur-fah
 Door.....Bahb
 Threshold.....En-tah-bah
 Pottery.....Foo-kar
 Bronze.....Bi-ronz
 Iron.....Hah-deed
 Shell.....Soot-feh
 Seeds, grain.....Hah-boob, Bizr
 Bone.....Ah-thum
 Bead.....Khar-az
 Figurine.....Tim-sal
 Flint.....Si-wan
 Gold.....Thah-hab
 Director.....Moo-deer
 Guard.....Kharis
 Architect.....Moo-han-dis

COMMANDS

Work.....Shu-gal
 Sweep, clean.....Keh-nis
 Dig.....If-hash
 Bring me, give me.....Ai-tee-nee
 Get me, bring me.....Jeeb
 Stop.....Bas
 Wait a minute.....Stah-nah Sch-wai
 Be careful.....Deer Bal-lak
 Leave it.....Hal-lee
 Put in.....Dah fee
 Put the sherds in the bag.....Dah fukhar fee kees
 Take it.....khut
 Here.....Hone
 There.....Hoh-nak
 What's this.....Shoo Had-dah
 Why?.....Laysh
 Where?.....Wayn
 How much?.....Ah-dish
 What time is it?.....Ah-dish-ah-sah
 Must,.....Lay-zm
 Hurry up.....Yellah
 Go away.....Im-she, roo-he
 What do you want?.....Shoo bi-dak
 I want.....Ana bi-di
 Finished.....Hal-las

Why?.....Laysh
 Because of.....Misshan
 Where?.....Wayn
 How much?.....Adesh, kam
 What time is it?.....Ah-dish-ah-sah
 Must, is necessary.....Lay-zm
 Not necessary.....Mu lasem
 Hurry up, let's go.....Yellah
 Move, leave.....Tharrak
 Go away.....Imshee, roohe
 What do you want?.....Shu biddak (m), biddekk
 I want.....Ana biddi, biddi
 Finished.....Khalas
 It is enough.....Bikaffi
 Go around it.....Ruh hawla
 Later.....Ba'den
 Still, not yet.....Lissa
 About, maybe.....Ya'ni
 Not so deep.....Mu a wiq
 From here to there.....Min hon l'honak
 Look for.....Fattish 'an
 Make the baulk straight.....Halli al het dughri
 Like this.....Mitl hadah
 Do you understand?.....Fahimt?
 I do not understand.....Ma fehmt
 There is.....Fi
 There isn't.....Fish, ma fi
 Don't smoke.....Matidahhin
 I don't know.....Ma ba'arif
 It's possible.....Mumkin
 It's not possible.....Mu mumkin
 Yes.....Ay-wah
 No.....Lah

NICETIES

Hello.....Mar-hah-bah
 Good morning.....Sah-bah el-khair
 (answer.....Sah-bah eh-nour
 Goodbye.....Kha-trak
 (answer.....Mah Sah-leh-me
 Please.....Meen Fed-lak
 Thank you.....Shukran
 Very much.....Ke-teer
 You're welcome.....'Afwan
 Thank God.....Il Ham-di-lah-lah
 God willing.....In Shallah
 How are you?.....Kee-fah-lak, shlonak
 I'm O.K., (The situation walks).....Mashihhal
 Very good, and you?.....Quay-es keh-teer, wa en-tah?
 Please (come in)

Join us
 sit down) Tfaddel(s), tfaddalu (plu)
 What is your name? Shoo Is-mak?
 My name is..... Is me----
 Do you want some tea? Bidak chai?
 May God give you health..... Ya'tik al 'afiye
 My teacher..... Mu'allim
 Professor..... Ustaz
 My lord..... Sidi

CAMP WORDS

Kitchen..... Matbbah
 Dining Room..... Gherfe ta'am
 Cook..... Tabbah
 Spoon..... Malaqa
 Knife..... Sakkin
 Fork..... Shooke
 Plate..... Sehin
 Glass..... Kas (s), kassat (plu)
 Water..... Maye, moi
 Hot... Sekhn
 Cold ... Bairde
 Teapot..... Ibriq
 Bottle..... Qanina
 Stove..... Sooba
 Room, house..... Gherfe, beit
 Bench..... Banq
 Table Tawle
 Chair..... Kursi
 Bed..... Taht
 Shelf..... Raff
 Light..... Dow
 Torch..... Bill
 Food..... Akul
 Bread..... Khubz
 Egg..... Bed (s), Bayd (plu)
 Milk..... Halib
 Coffee..... Qahwe
 Sugar..... Sekker
 Cheese..... Jubne
 Butter..... Zubde
 Salt..... Melh
 Pepper..... Flefle
 Boil..... Ghala
 Money..... Money
 Artist, drawer..... Rasam

Like this..... Mit-tel Had-dah
 Do you understand? Fah-himt?
 I do not understand..... Ma fimb

Useful Words

Important..... Moo-heem
 Forbidden..... Mahm-nour
 Yes..... Ay-wah
 No..... Lah
 Hello..... Mar-hah-bah
 Good morning..... Sah-bah el-khair
 (answer)..... Sah-bah el-nour
 Goodbye..... Kha-trak
 (answer)..... Mah Sah-leh-me
 Please..... Meen Fed-lak
 Thank you..... Shoo-kran
 Very much..... Keh-teer
 Thank God..... Il Ham-di-lah-lah
 God willing..... In Shallah
 How are you..... Kee-fah-lak
 Very good, and you?..... Quay-es keh-teer, wa entah?

Please (come in)
 Join us
 sit down) Fah-dal
 What is your name? Shoo Is-mak?
 My name is..... Is me----
 Do you want some tea?..... Bi-dak chai?

Numbers

1..... Wah-had	11..... Wa-dash
2..... Tnayn	12..... Nahsh
3..... Ta-lah-thee	13..... Tel-ah-tash
4..... Ar-bah	15..... Kham-stash
5..... Kham-see	20..... Ash-reen
6..... Si-tee	25..... Khamsee ashreen
7..... Seh-bah	50..... Khamseen
8..... Tmah-nee	100..... Mee-oh
9..... Tiss-ah	1000..... El-ef
10..... Ahsh-rah	half..... Noos
	quarter..... Roo-bah

Time

Today..... el yohm
 Yesterday..... em-bar-ah
 Tomorrow..... Boo-krah
 Day after
 tomorrow..... Bad bookrah
 Week..... See-man
 Morning..... Sah-bah
 Afternoon..... Bahd Dugur
 Hour Saht
 Minute Dah-Keek

Sunday..... Yom el-ahad
 Monday..... Yom et-tnayn
 Tuesday..... Yom et-talat
 Wed..... Yom el-arbah
 Thursday.... Khah-mees
 Friday..... Jumah
 Saturday.... Sah-bah
 Holiday EED

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Locus 4 Split 2	Locus 1 Split 1
"	Locus 3 Split 2
"	Locus 3 Split 3
"	Locus 1 Split 4
Locus 8 Split 1	Locus 7 Split 1
"	Locus 6 Split 1
"	Locus 6 Split 2
"	Locus 6 Split 3
"	Locus 5 Split 1
"	Locus 5 Split 2
"	Locus 5 Split 3
"	Locus 5 Split 4
"	Locus 5 Split 5

Depth at Bottom of Split

10 cm
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100 cm
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250 cm
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