

A2100 Final Trench Report (GRP)

Zerox elevations

Trench A2100 was excavated by Gloria Park with assistants Jennifer Ferris, Renée Wiederin, Yuki Furuya, Brett Moore and with workmen Michalis and Michalis. Excavation began 02 June 03 and ended 27 June 03.

The trench parameters are principally defined by four walls: A1802 to the north (note: this wall is erroneously referred to as A1902 in the trench notebook), A2106 to the south, A2104 to the west, and A2113 to the east. These four walls make up a single room which is discussed below as a kitchen. In addition to the kitchen, the exterior space to the east (below the kitchen) was also excavated as Trench A2100, in which the spine wall is the principle feature.

Benchmark R9 was used (355.625) throughout the excavation, though elevations in the trench notebook are calculated with the benchmark elevation having a value of 0.0 m.

Depositional History

Trench A2100 lies on a steep slope that runs west (highest point) to east (lowest point). As expected, the stratigraphy in this trench was therefore much better preserved in the western part of the trench than the eastern part, the latter having produced little pottery and almost no observable stratigraphy. The western and eastern parts of the trench are clearly differentiated by an erosion line can be drawn c. 2.5 m. east of western wall A2104 (see architectural plan). The erosion line could be detected early on in the excavations; therefore, work was concentrated first in this western portion of the trench, described below:

The lowest level reached by the 2003 excavations in this trench is a clay floor that is preserved west of the erosion line mentioned above. The habitation debris on the floor (A2110), was embedded in the lowest layers of roofing clay and yielded objects, architectural installations, and plant remains that characterize this room as a kitchen.

Several interior architectural features were preserved on the floor. Two tall, cylindrical stone with very flat upper surfaces (probably worked, though no chisel marks are visible) were discovered lying roughly halfway between the northern and southern walls of the room. These are likely pillar bases that were used to help support the roof. The western pillar base is supported by a thin square plinth below. In the SW corner of the room, a hearth (excavated as A2111) is built against a tall bedrock boulder that serves as the junction between walls A2104 and A2106. The hearth preserves two large rectangular blocks set at an approximate right angle to each other. Inside the hearth were found fragments of a pithos that may have served as a chimneypot. In the NE part of the trench, a large rectangular block supported by a stone foundation below it sits next to live bedrock that has been cut to project like a low hemisphere from the floor. Though clearly a built installation, the function of these two features remains uncertain. A likely explanation is that these surfaces represent a kind of workbench, perhaps for food production, given the character of the habitation debris and the presence of a hearth.

In addition to a whole pithos base and a nearly whole skyphos, a strainer was found next to the western pillar base, perhaps for straining cheese. A large mudbrick weight, a quern, and several smaller stone tools suggest that food production may have been an important activity in this room. These finds were largely concentrated around the hearth area (excepting the mudbrick weight). Fragments of a lekane and of pithoi were also recovered just east of the hearth. Several pithos scatters were removed in the eastern part of trench as

well, none of which produced whole or nearly whole pithoi as in other trenches excavated this season, however.

The plant remains from this trench have proven to be of great interest, having produced remains of cereals (including wheat), nuts, grapes, beans, and grass seeds.

Above the floor was preserved a deep deposit of clay (A2108), which again was preserved only west of the erosion line. The matrix consisted of heavy clay with small pebble inclusions and was preserved in brilliant colors ranging from grayish-green, bright orange to orange-red, and black. The deposit formed an undulating surface over this entire area, and frequently produced much carbon, including large portions of carbonized wood, especially in the SE area of the trench and around the bedrock in the NW corner, an area that exhibit clear signs of severe burning in the strata above.

Above the undulating level of heavily burned clay, some small clumps of this heavily burned clay was mixed with the lowest level of tumble (A2107). In this stratum, fragments of pithoi (including a whole base) became visible in various places, especially in the area of the (as yet not discovered) hearth. Ashy soil was also visible along the west wall and again around the bedrock in the NW corner.

Above this mixed layer of tumble and clay, a deep deposit tumble (fallen wallblocks measuring from 0.25-0.60m. in length) was removed (A2103), revealing walls A2104 and A2106 (wall A1802 had already been identified during the excavation of A1800). Many Hellenistic terracotta roof tiles were found in this matrix of loose, dark-brown soil, probably washed down from the acropolis above. The layer of topsoil above was excavated as A2101 and A2102.

Below the eastern wall of the kitchen, the area around the spine wall was explored (excavated as A2109, then as A2112) and produced two possible roadways that help to define the nature of physical communication. Immediately east of A2213, and between this wall and the spine wall, several possible paving stones lie on a surface that may be interpreted as a path or road. Immediately east of the spine wall, additional paving stones lie on a surface that may be interpreted as a second roadway (excavated as A2114). This lower road seems to link up with the paving stones found in A2200, which also lie east of the spine wall. Communication between these two possible paths is not clear—the upper roadway appears to lead down towards the lower, suggesting a junction somewhere in SE part of this trench. However, this junction was not substantiated in excavation of this area, as stratigraphic preservation is generally poor.

In the northern section of the lower roadway, several stone features are preserved which also give information about the circulation of traffic in this area. A short break in the spine wall (normally constructed of large bedrock boulders), gives way to a line of smaller, squared stone that rest on fill or packing. Another line of roughly rectangular stones appears just below (east) this break in the spine wall. Together, these features resemble stairs and could represent part of a staircase that led from the lower roadway through the spine wall to an upper area. The discovery of probable stairs in Trench A2300 (higher in elevation, but roughly along the same trajectory as those in A2100) make this theory an attractive one, though the relationship of these two areas is at present difficult to determine.

The relationship between the lower steps of A2100 and the curved stone structure in trench A1800 (called A1804) is also not clearly understood, though it is suggested that the paved surface of A1804 represents a kind of landing or transition from the lower stairs and those in trench A2300.

Conclusion:

This trench revealed a large, well-built kitchen that was constructed on a large terrace supported by the spine wall that extends over the whole north slope of the site (from Trench A700 to trench A2200). The kitchen was accessed from the north through wall A1802, and although a pathway or possible staircase has been identified in this area (north and east of the doorway), it is not clear if it led directly to the entrance to the kitchen.

No evidence of communication to the southern area (trench A2200) through wall A2106 is preserved, but the possibility remains, as the wall is not preserved at all below the erosion line.

The habitation deposit resting on the clay floor of the kitchen suggests that storage and perhaps measuring of food products (pithoi, large terracotta weight), processing of food (stone tools, quern, strainer, workbench) and cooking (hearth with chimney pot) were important activities in this room. The roof/ceiling was constructed of timbers packed with clay, and the north-south span was supported by at least two central (wooden) pillars that rested on stone bases. The roof was destroyed by fire, causing the roofing clay and charred timbers to fall directly on top of the floor and habitation debris. Later much of the four walls collapsed, creating the tumble layer inside the kitchen. Eventually, erosion washed away the crosswalls, floor, and tumble deposits in the western part of the trench, and caused the almost total destruction of western wall A2113, of which only the foundation survives, slipped out of its original position.

Locus List and Description (individual pails listed when their contents differ in some significant way from other pails in the same locus)

A2101: removal of horta, also in area of trench A2200

A2102: removal of grassy topsoil, also in area of trench A2200

A2103: removal of tumble

[A2103.7: cleaning of wall A1802]

A2105: cleaning of wall A2106

A2107: lowest stratum of tumble mixed with roofing clay

A2108: roofing clay

[A2108.1-.2 pithos removal]

A2109: fill below erosion line

A2110: bottom of roofing material/habitation debris

[A2110.2 intact pithos base; A2110.3 strainer]

A2111: hearth excavation

A2112: fill below erosion line, upper roadway

A2114: lower roadway (below spine wall)

Architectural List and Description

A1802: northern wall of kitchen, constructed of roughly rectangular stones, threshold preserved, wall not preserved below erosion line

A2104: western wall of kitchen, constructed of medium-sized (c. 0.30 m.), unworked fieldstones in the southern section, and large fieldstones (c. 45-.60 m.) with bedrock boulders and live bedrock in the northern section. The northern section forms a roughly straight line, while the southern section curves to meet the bedrock that forms the corner with A2106

A2106: southern wall of kitchen, constructed of large and medium-sized fieldstones, wall not preserved below erosion line.

A2113: eastern wall of kitchen, constructed small-medium-sized fieldstones (perhaps the rubble foundation for wall rather than the wall itself). Lying well below the erosion line, the wall is badly preserved and has slipped out of its original position.

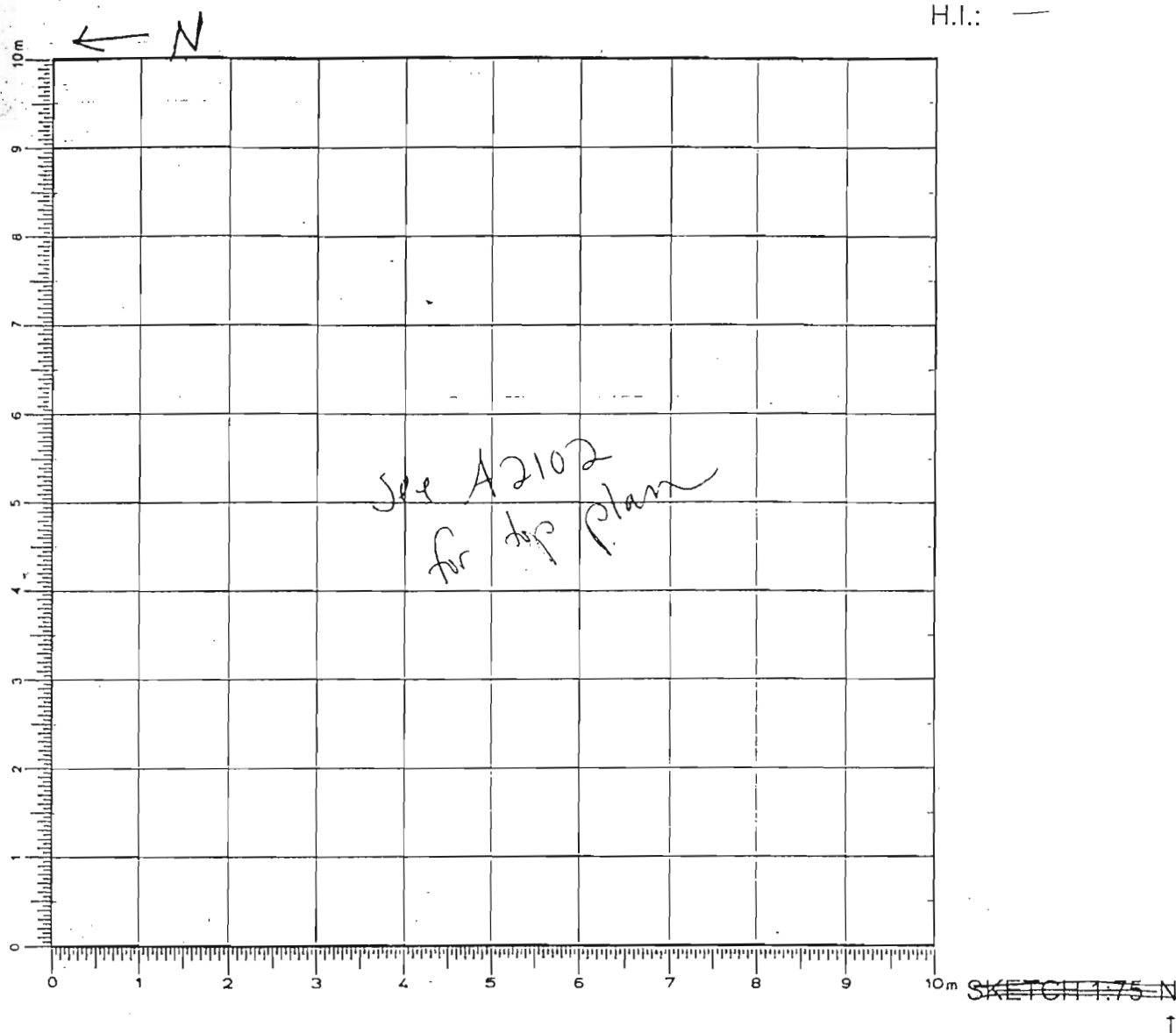
Spine Wall: constructed of large bedrock boulders in this area, continues both east and west of this trench. This wall served as a terrace wall for the kitchen A2100. Unlike in rooms to the north, the spine wall does not serve as the eastern wall of the present room.

Year 03 Trench/Locus A2101.1 Excavator GRP**Elevations**Benchmark used: A26

Reading on —

Benchmark: —

H.I.: —



DEFINITION/DESCRIPTION of LOCUS (explain why you changed locus numbers):

Today's date: 02 Jun 03 Locus above: none

Locus parameters:

Verbal description: Surface cleaning. Removal of vegetation and loose stone. 03 Jun 03 we finish clearing of the trench in a second pass.

Locus Interpretative Comments (What do you think this is? DATE your comments, continue on additional pages if necessary):

Surface cleaning.

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Year 03 Trench/Locus 2101.1 Excavator GKR

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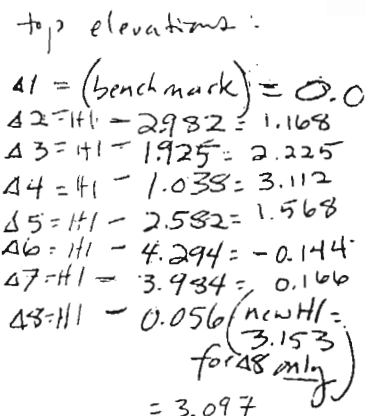
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ADDITIONAL COLLECTED MATERIAL

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Elevations

Benchmark used: ~~new~~ new
Reading on benchmark
Benchmark:
H.I.: ~~4.150~~ 4.150



bottom elevations
H.J.: 2.965

$$\Delta 3: H_1 - 0.612 = \overset{2.353}{\cancel{2.803}}$$

 = bedrock

Today's date: 03 Jun 03 Locus above: 4201

Locus parameters: defined to the north by the southern line of A1900, to the south by a line of bedrock, to the west by Boyd's stone dump, and to the east by a stretch of Verbal description: stone what seems to continue the spine wall A301.

We begin by digging a post over a grassy area in the northern side of the trench. This is only a clearing post to remove topsoil with grass roots. The soil is fine and dark brown with 10% pebble inclusions, except to the south, where is a clayey-yellowish soil (40% pebble inclusions). Few pottery shards. We create a bank next to A1900 where wall A1902 drops off at the east end.

Locus Interpretative Comments (What do you think this is? DATE your comments, continue on additional pages if necessary): *Small larvae, possibly of beetle.*

topsoil clearing, revealing of timber

Year 03 Trench/Locus A2102 Excavator GRP

03 Jun 03

DESCRIPTION of PROGRESS of EXCAVATION [date each entry and identify associated pottery pail(s)]:

At the western limit of our trench, on the north side ~~it~~ appears a deposit of wall tumble (see drawing¹).

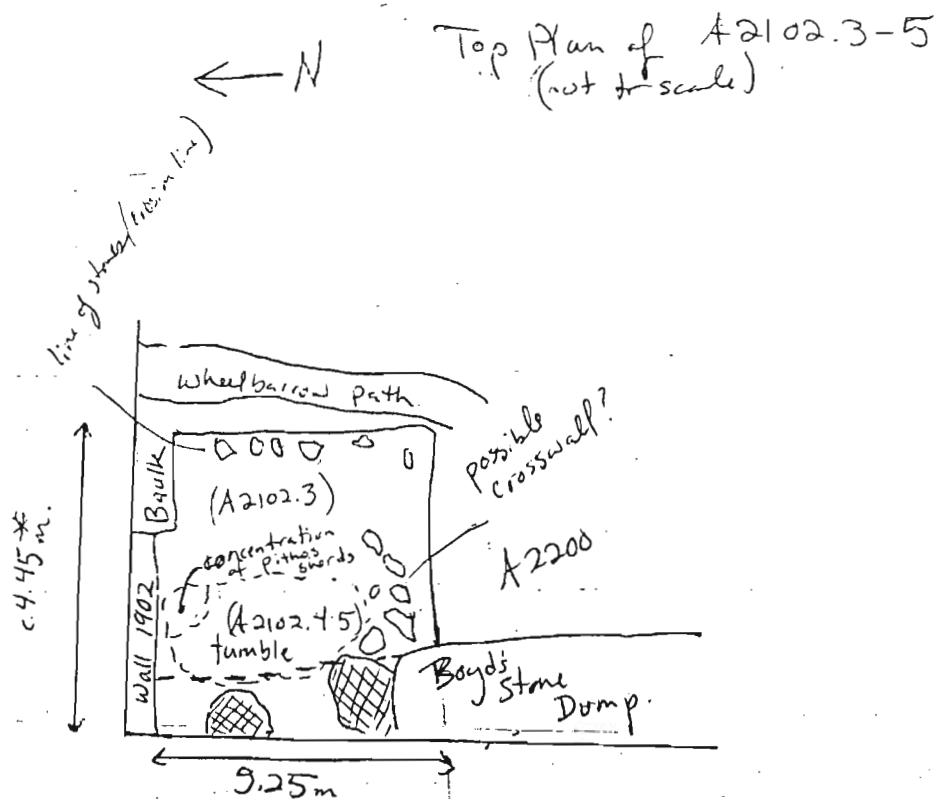
~~At~~ 04 Jun 03: We finish the pass this morning as A2102.2.

We change pails ^(A2102.3) and limit the area we dig to the south by a line of stones that may turn out to be a crosswall running parallel to A1902.* We limit the trench to the east by a line of stones (c.f. drawing) in order to keep the wheelbarrow path further to the east.

The soil is dark brown with pebble inclusions (30%) and few fist-sized cobbles. This pass is still top soil. We need more tumble to the east in this pass.

19 Jun 03

* no, crosswall is A2106



The southern part of trench A2100 is now A2200, and is dug by R.K.

* this measurement was not taken with a level to prevent severe foreshortening of the top plan. Measurements taken along the face of the slope.

Year 03 Trench/Locus A2102 Excavator GKP

04 Jun 03

DESCRIPTION of PROGRESS of EXCAVATION [date each entry and identify associated pottery/pail(s)]

(now A2102.4)

We change pails, while cleaning the tumble. Since we come on a very large pithos sherd. We do not remove the tumble, but change pails just for fun. The soil matrix is the same as A2102.3.

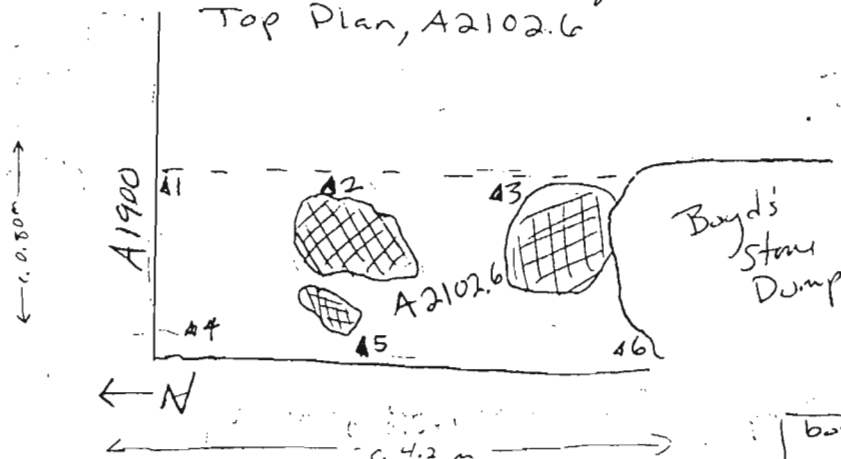
Large pithos sherds appear near wall A1902 among the tumble blocks.

We leave the rest for the next pass, as ^{they} appear to be sitting on a clay-like stratum, possibly the floor. [21 Jun 03 - roofing material, not floor].

We change pails (now A2102.5) because our pottery bag is full. The tumble consists of stones c. 25-45 m. in length.

Pail A2102.6 represents the extension of trench to the west:

Top Plan, A2102.6



top elevations

HI =

for A1-3, 2.956

for A4-6, 3.709

A1 HI - 0.280 = 2.676

A2 HI - 0.151 = 2.805

A3 HI - 0.030 = 2.924

A4 HI - 0.581 = 3.208

A5 HI - 0.361 = 3.428

A6 HI - 0.220 = 3.569

bottom elevations: see A2103.2 top elevations, p. 2

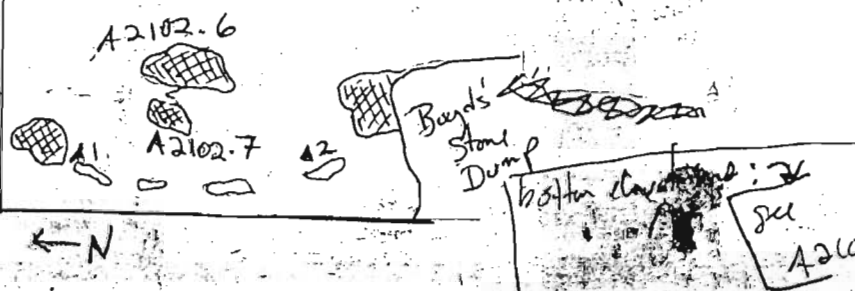
We extend to find the western limit of A1902, hoping to find its adjacent wall whose tumble we have been excavating in A2103.1.

I now believe that we may be excavating the interior of a room, as floor/roof packing was uncovered in places.

05 Jun 03 we finish the pass, exposing ~~tumble~~ ~~tumble~~ tumble, in A2102.7.

We find a line of stone faces and follow it, extending the trench to the end.

Top Plan, A2102.7



top elevations of A2102.7

HI = 4.070

A1 HI - 0.669 = 3.401

A2 HI - 0.486 = 3.584

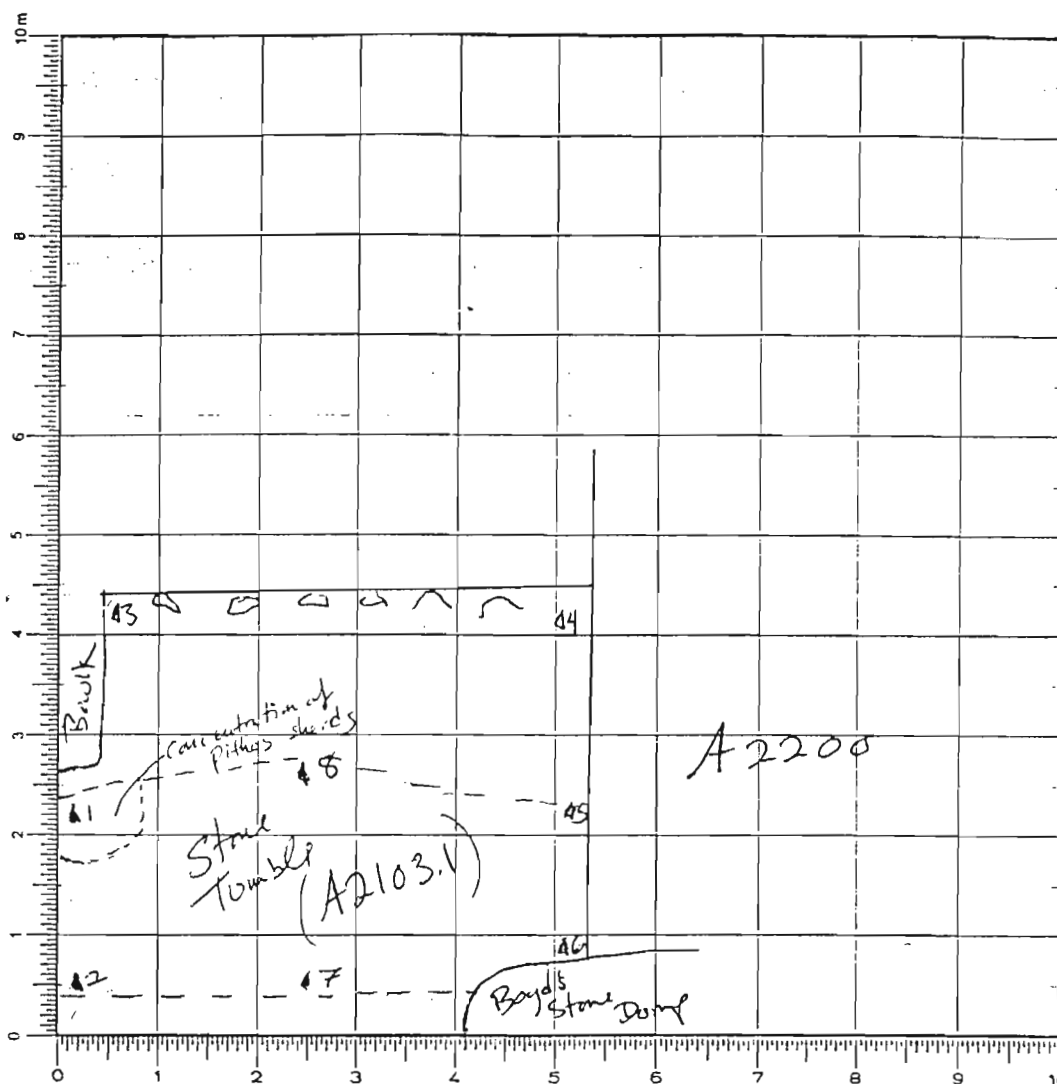
bottom elevations: see A2103.2 top elev., p. 2

We stop digging for the day due to rain.

Year 03 Trench/Locus A2103 Excavator GRP

Elevations

Benchmark used: new
 Reading on
 Benchmark:
 H.I.: 2.965



top elevations

A1 H1 - 1.019 = 1.946
 A2 H1 - 0.612 = 2.353
 A3 H1 - 1.571 = 1.394
 A4 H1 - 1.742 = 1.623
 A5 H1 - 0.894 = 2.071
 A6 H1 - 0.162 = 2.803
 A7 H1 - 0.492 = 2.473
 A8 H1 - 0.926 = 2.039

bottom elevations:
 see p. 5

(not to scale)
 SKETCH 1-75 N

DEFINITION/DESCRIPTION of LOCUS (explain why you changed locus numbers):

Today's date: 04 Jun 03 Locus above: A2102.4-5

Locus parameters: this locus represents the ^{top most} tumble pile removed in the western half of the trench.

Verbal description: We remove the loose tumble in this locus and sift 5

03.1: Zembili of soil. In places, the tumble reveals a greenish clay surface that may represent the floor or other building material. We decide to extend the trench to the west in order to clarify where the back wall might lie (see A2102.6-7).

05 June 03: after the excavation of A2102.6, the trench is re-drawn (see p. 2)

Locus Interpretative Comments (What do you think this is? DATE your comments, continue on additional pages if necessary):

wall tumble

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| Locus/Pottery Pail Number | Weight of Sherds | Number of Sherds | Chronology & Comments |
|------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|--|
| A2103.1 | 2.91 | 62 | (pottery was mixed) with A1701.3 archaic + 1 Hell. tile |
| A2103.2 | 11.65 6.04 | 109 | archaic + 1 Hell. tiles |
| A2103.3 | 11.65 | 116 | Hellenistic + Archaic |
| A2103.4 | | | Hellenistic + Archaic |
| A2103.5 | | | Hellenistic + Archaic, spm! |
| A2103.6 | 3.47 kg | 30 | Archaic |
| A2103.7 | .21 kg | 4 | Hellenistic + Archaic |
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OBJECTS

| Object Number | Associated Pottery Pail | Identification (material/form) | Location | Elevation | Catalogue Number |
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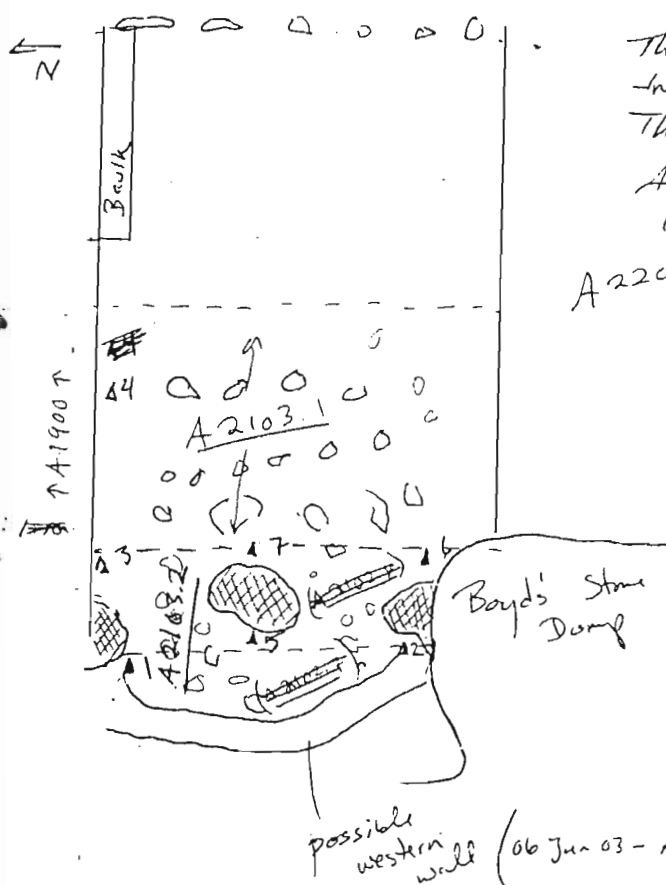
| Locus/Pottery Pail Number | Bones | Shell | Carbon | Pumice | Soil Sample | Other (specify) |
|------------------------------|------------|-------|--------|--------|----------------|--------------------|
| A2103.1 | X (2 bags) | | | | | |
| A2103.1 | | | | | X | |
| A2103.2 | X | | | | | |
| A2103.3 | X | | | | | |
| A2103.3 | | | | | | pebble |
| A2103.4 | X | | | | | |
| A2103.5 | X (2 bags) | | | | | |
| A2103.5 | | | | | X | |
| A2103.6 | X | | | | | |
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Year 03 Trench/Locus A2103 Excavator GRP

DESCRIPTION of PROGRESS of EXCAVATION [date each entry and identify associated pottery pile(s)]:

05 Jun 03

New Top Plan of A2103 (after western extension of trench - see A2102.6-7)



This drawing is new top plan, as we extended the trench after the first drawing (p.1) was completed. This plan represents the trench after digging A2103.1, or the removal of ^{some} tumble in the lower sections of the tumble pile.)

A2200

Top elevations:

H1 = 4.070

A1 H1 - 0.876 = 3.194

A2 H1 - 0.769 = 3.301

A3 H1 - 1.286 = 2.784

A4 H1 - 1.701 = 2.369

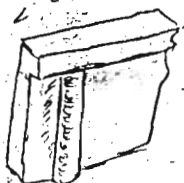
A5 H1 - 0.912 = 3.158

A6 H1 - 1.418 = 2.652

A7 H1 - 1.500 = 2.57

06 Jun 03 A2103.2 is the removal of tumble and large fallen pieces of bedrock in the upper (western) section of the tumble pile.

We begin the removal of tumble by removing the highest levels, working first to find the western limit of wall A1902. A corner of a terracotta roof tile is found:



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DESCRIPTION of PROGRESS of EXCAVATION [date each entry and identify associated pottery pail(s)]:

06 Jun 03

We continue removing the tumble and start to define the western wall of our trench (now wall A2104). The tumble consists of fieldstones ranging from fist-sized to almost .50 m. in length.

Wall A2104 stretches from A1902 to the bedrock beneath Boyd's stone dump (runs ^{wall} N-S).

The wall is constructed of largest fieldstones ^{on} the north side (c. .45 - .60 m) and with smaller stones to the south (c. .30 m. in length). The southern stretch of the wall seems to curve slightly, meeting the bedrock beneath Boyd's dump. (at least 3 courses are exposed).

We finish the pass and come upon more tumble below, but stop digging today due to rain.

09 Jun 03

We take another pass in the western level of the trench as A2103.3. This is the same area as A2103.2 in order to take down the tumble. Matrix similar to A2103.2.

We seem to reveal more tumble beneath. Much pottery is uncovered in this pass. We change pails because the pitting bag is full. (photo taken at bottom of A2103.4)
(plan: see p. 2, area of A2103.2)

A2103.2 = A2103.3 = A2103.4

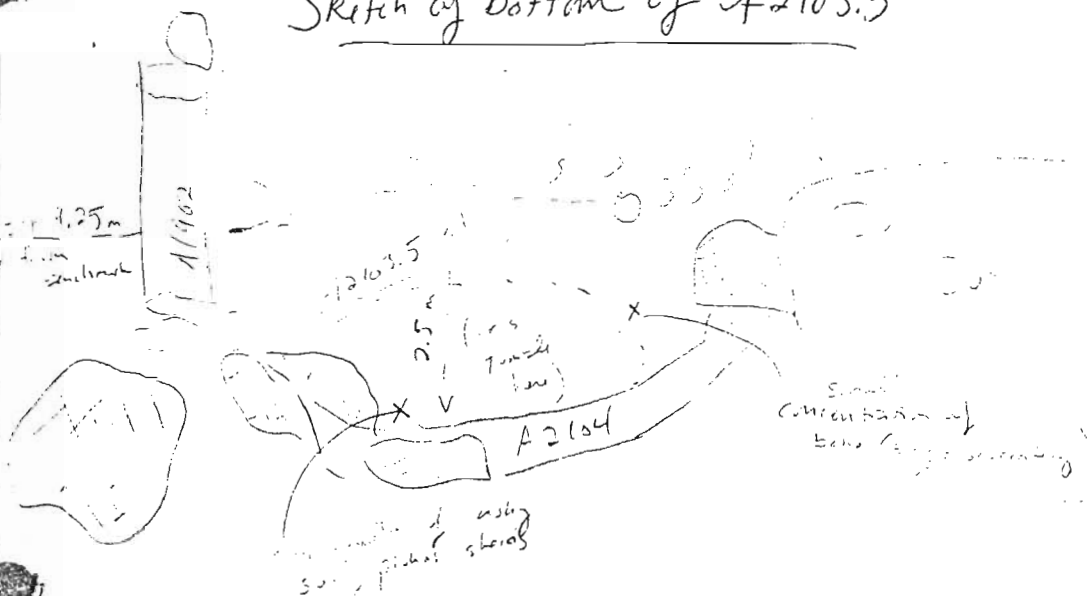
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DESCRIPTION of PROGRESS of EXCAVATION [date each entry and identify associated pottery pail(s)]:

(A2103.5)

09 Jun 03 We begin another pass of removing the uppermost tumble layer against wall A2104 (the western part of the trench). The concentration of tumble seems to be significantly less than before - we take a shallow pass so that we might not excavate any roofing material which was yet to appear in this upper level. The soil is still dark brown, clayey in texture, and yields much pottery and some medium-sized *Redstus* (c. 30 cm length).

Sketch of bottom of A2103.5



A2103.5 contains soil with 50% shirt pebbles; the tumble seems to have dropped off, yet some ~~stems~~ ^{stones} are visible below. A small concentration of ashy soil with a few frags. of pithoi are found ~~to~~ just inside wall A2104 at the northern end. A small, localized deposit of animal bone is found towards the south end and is bagged separately from the rest of the bones. [21 Jun 03] Note that this concentration lies above the hearth.

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Top elevations of

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2) also remove the ~~last~~ rubble pile (where 45 was taken), ^{called on} ~~the~~ A2103.6

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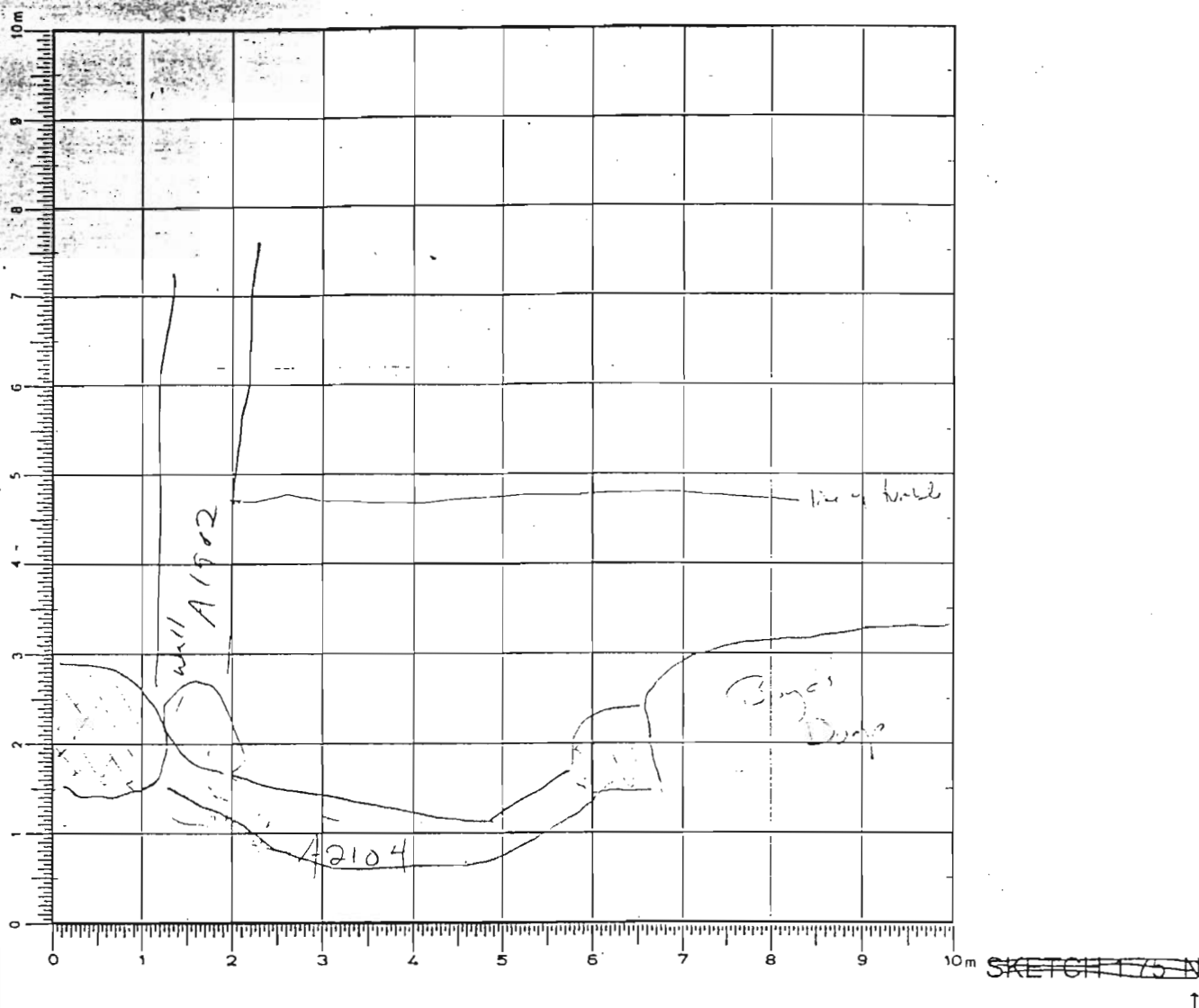
Elevations

Benchmark used:

Reading on

Benchmark:

H.I.:



DEFINITION/DESCRIPTION of LOCUS (explain why you changed locus numbers):

Today's date: 06 Jun 03 Locus above: —Locus parameters: western wall of trench

Verbal description: Wall A2104 stretches from the bedrock that forms part of the western limit of wall A1902, runs N-S, and meets the bedrock that sits beneath Boy's Stone Dump. The wall is constructed of large fieldstones on the north side (c. .45-.60 m. long) and of smaller stones to the south (c. .30 m). The southern stretch seems to curve slightly.

Locus Interpretative Comments (What do you think this is? DATE your comments, continue on additional pages if necessary):

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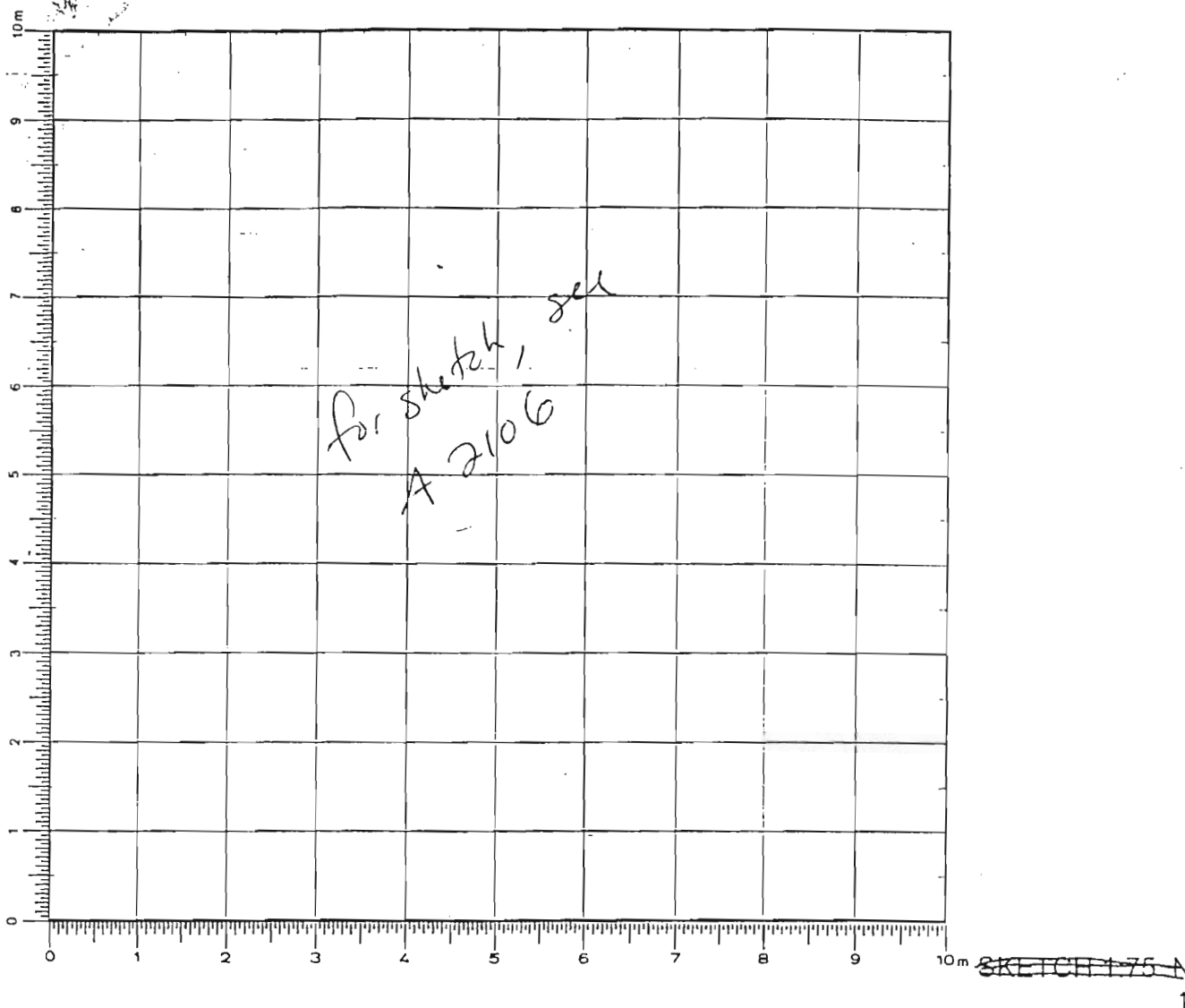
Elevations

Benchmark used:

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Benchmark:

H.I.:



DEFINITION/DESCRIPTION of LOCUS (explain why you changed locus numbers):

Today's date:

Locus above:

10 Jun 03

Locus parameters:

wall A2106 cleaning

Verbal description:

cleaning out top of Wall A2106 and just outside it (encroaching a little bit on A2200).

Locus Interpretative Comments (What do you think this is? DATE your comments, continue on additional pages if necessary):

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OBJECTS

[illegible]

ADDITIONAL COLLECTED MATERIAL

[illegible]

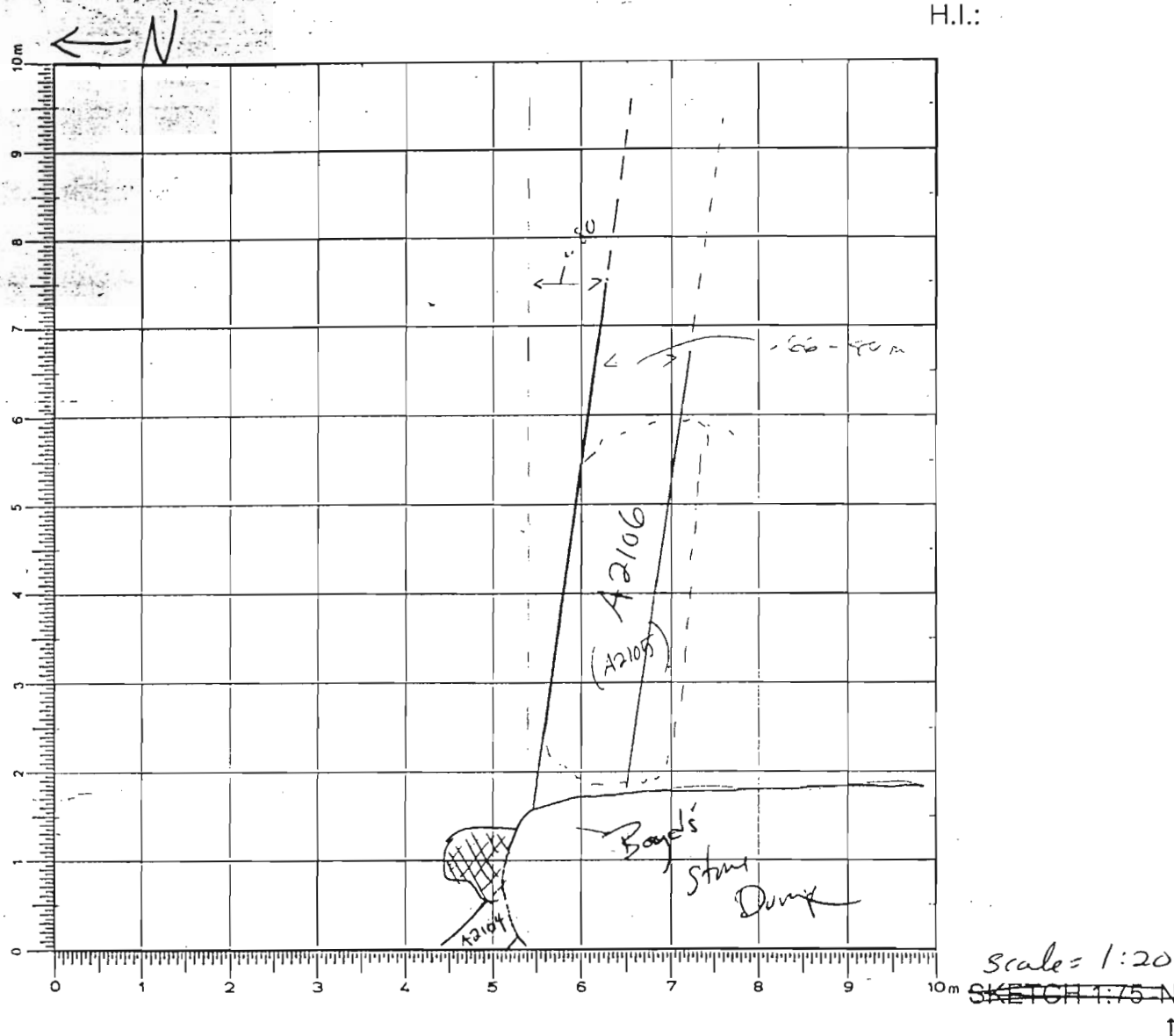
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Benchmark used:

Reading on

Benchmark:

H.I.:



DEFINITION/DESCRIPTION of LOCUS (explain why you changed locus numbers):

Today's date:

Locus above: 10 Jun 03

Locus parameters:

Verbal description:

Wall A2106 - ~~east~~ southern crosswall of
trench A2100.

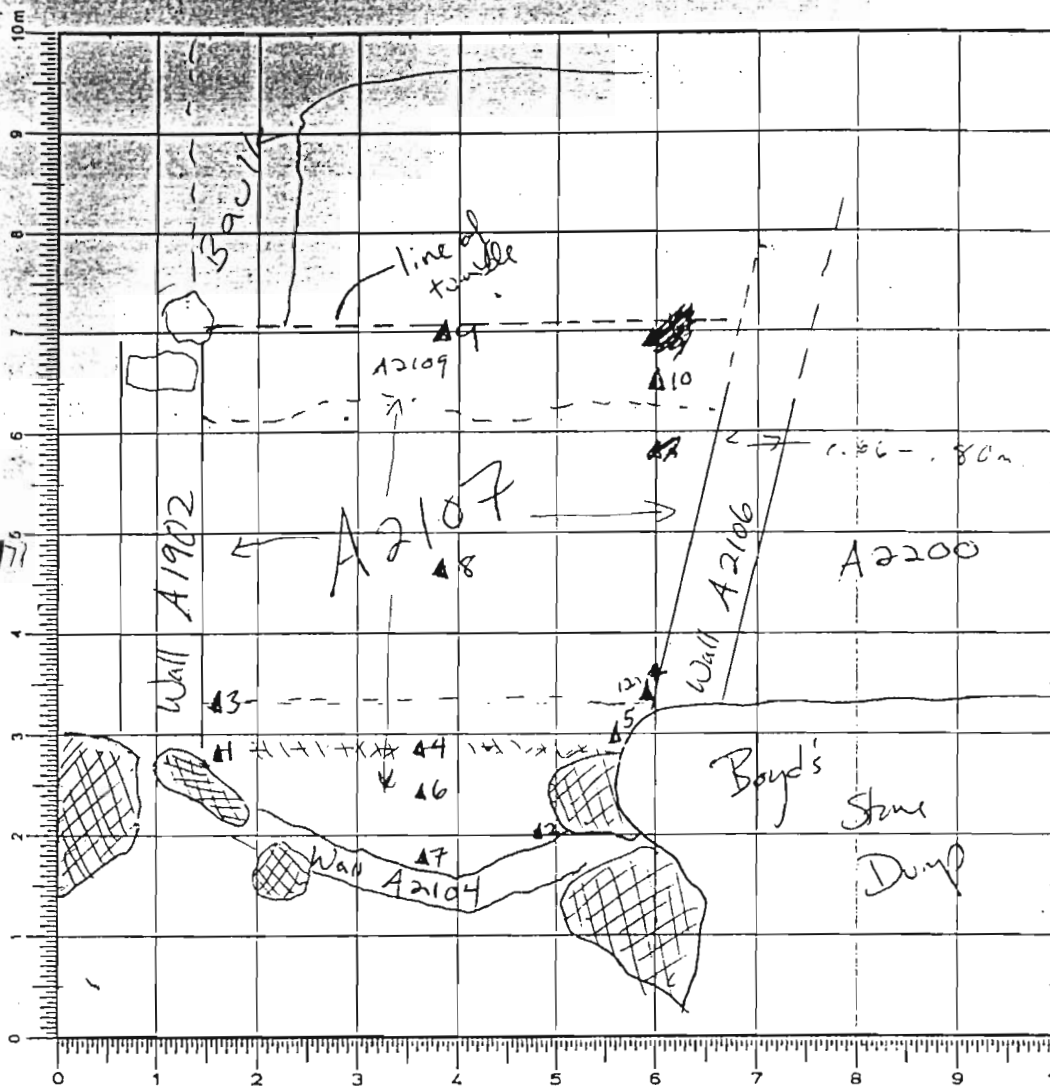
Locus Interpretative Comments (What do you think this is? DATE your comments, continue on additional pages if necessary):

Year 03 Trench/Locus A2103 Excavator GRP

Elevations

Benchmark used: new

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Benchmark: ---H.I.: ---

Top Elevations

(for calculations, see A2103 p.5)

A1 = 2.52

A2 = 2.408

A3 = 2.402

A4 = 2.353

A5 = 2.29

A6 = 2.44

A7 = 2.474

A8 = 2.147

A9 = 1.965

A10 = 1.929

A12 = 2.272

Bottom Elevations

(see p. 4)

not to scale

SKETCH 175 N

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DEFINITION/DESCRIPTION of LOCUS (explain why you changed locus numbers):

Today's date:

10 Jun 03

Locus above: A2103

Locus parameters:

The entire western part of the trench, from the tumble line

Verbal description:

We change loci because we dig the lowest pass of tumble now, and may be coming on some floor/roof material. Immediately we come upon bright red, black, and ashy-green soil. 100% sieved. We do not dig the colored layer, but only the dark brown soil with the remaining tumble.

We come upon large sherds of a smashed pithos (as we did in A2103.1) and leave it for the next pass/locus. Many small bits of charcoal appear

Locus Interpretative Comments (What do you think this is? DATE your comments, continue on additional pages if necessary):

lowest stratum of tumble above roofing material with some burned material mixed in.

Year 03 Trench/Locus A2107 Excavator GKP

| Locus/Pottery Pail Number | Weight of Sherds | Number of Sherds | Chronology & Comments |
|------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|
| A2107.1 | 4.44 kg | 91 | |
| A2107.2 | 5.24 kg | 137 | |
| A2107.3 | 1.35 kg | 51 | |
| A2107.4 | 1.22 kg | 11 | archaic |
| A2107.5 | 5.090 kg | 85 | |
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OBJECTS

| Object Number | Associated Pottery Pail | Identification (material/form) | Location | Elevation | Catalogue Number |
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ADDITIONAL COLLECTED MATERIAL

| Locus/Pottery Pail Number | Bones | Shell | Carbon | Pumice | Soil Sample | Other (specify) |
|------------------------------|-------|-------|--------|--------|--------------------|--------------------|
| A2107.1 | X (2) | | | | | |
| A2107.1 | | | | X | | |
| A2107.2 | X (2) | | | X | X standard | |
| A2107.3 | X (2) | | X | | | |
| A2107.4 | X | | | | | |
| A2107.5 | X (2) | | X | X | X (small interval) | |
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Year 03 Trench/Locus A2107 Excavator GRV

DESCRIPTION of PROGRESS of EXCAVATION [date each entry and identify associated pottery pail(s)]:

10 Jun 03

In this soil, we will see some chunks of greenish clay - the same as that which we leave below for the next pass. The tumble and dark brown soil that holds it are deep in places, and the burned green/red/black soil seems to undulate greatly - because of this, the burned colored surface is probably not a floor surface, but burned roofing material.

11 Jun 03

We continue the removal of tumble and dark brown soil as A2107.2 (100% sieved). The matrix is ~~very~~ ashy towards the western wall (A2104) with much gravel in it. More concentrations of pithos scatter in various places. We take a soil sample (standard) and include parts of a small burned patch with bits of carbon in the sample. Towards the western wall the soil is interspersed with clumps of gravelly-clay (dark brown) - unburned roofing material.

12 Jun 03

~~A2107.4~~ A2107.3 represents the continuation and completion of A2107, the removal of the final layer of tumble in the western ~~at~~ part of the trench (along wall A2104) - pail change due to rain day. The tumble in this area is deeper than that in the rest of the trench, and we do not come upon the burned green/red/black soil yet, but plan to take another pass to expose it. We stop digging the tumble in the NW corner in order to sweep, photograph, draw, and remove the pithos sherds that are lying on the surface of the burned roofing material layer. (Some charcoal is retrieved from the soil). We find a circular terracotta object (base of a pithos?) and relocate it (H1=2.748; - 0.380 = 2.368)

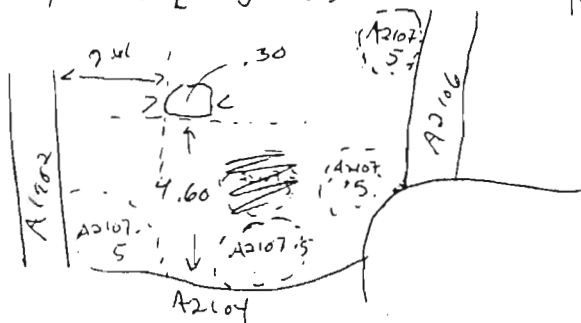
85.17

25.14

DESCRIPTION of PROGRESS of EXCAVATION [date each entry and identify associated pottery pail(s)]:

113 Jun 03 4267.5 - Today we continue the tumbler pass in the NW corner of the trench, and also in various small patches where the dark brown soil still covers the buried layer. (esp. in the western end of trench)

After yesterday's sweeping, we notice that a stone in the center of the trench has a very flat top, and is roughly rounded - perhaps a base for a post? [21 Jun 03 - now "eastern pillar base"]



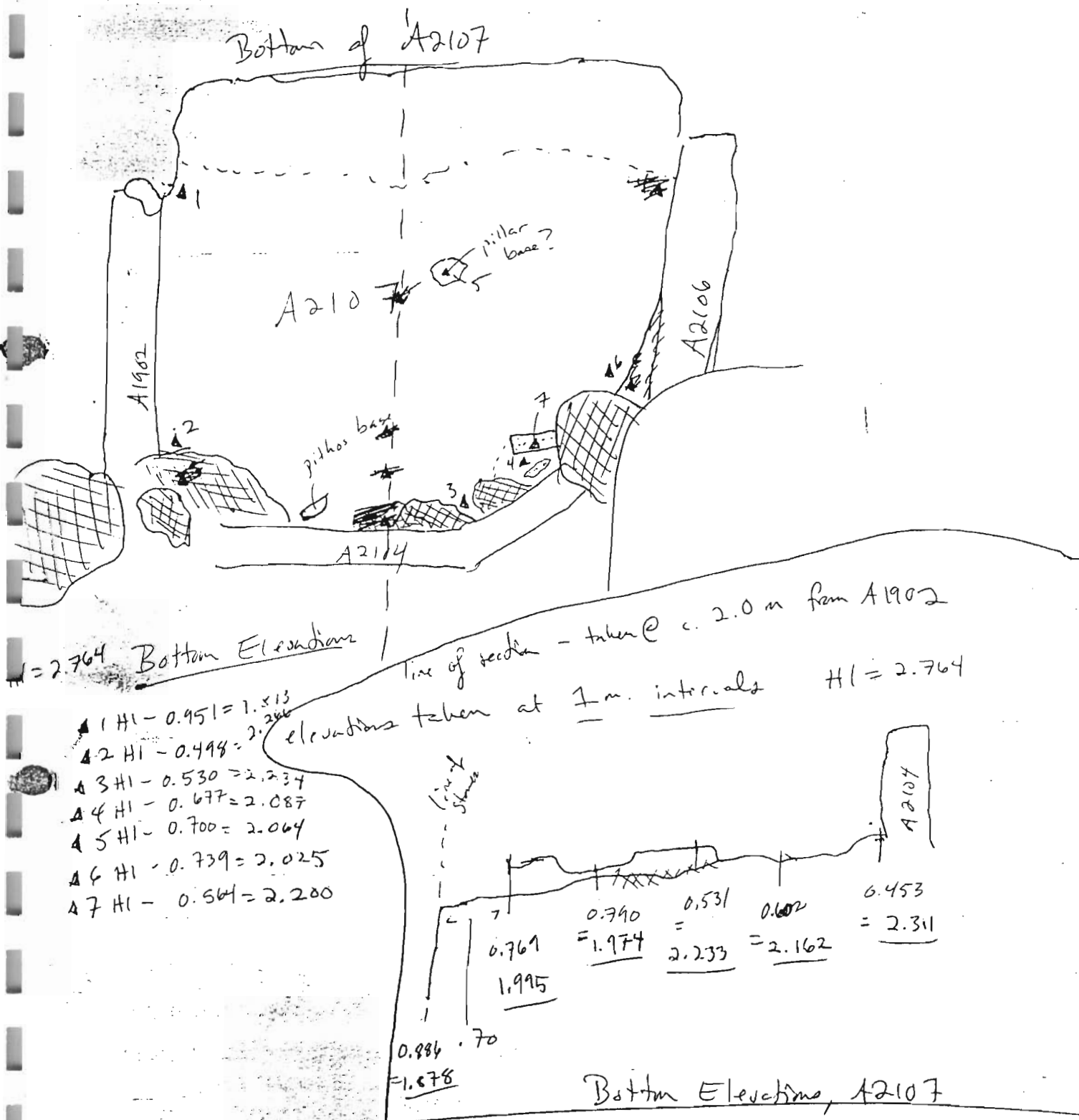
As we finish the NW corner, we take a soil sample (only 5 lbs.) because it seems to be particularly ashy w/ some carbon in it. [this is a small intensive sample - the standard was taken in A2107.2]

We decide to take down the level to the burned level towards the east, along the line of stones that mark the steep ~~sp~~ slope. ~~we~~ THIS IS A2109.1

we photograph the bottom of A2107 - the surface undulates greatly and some pithos sherds, including the base

Year 03 Trench/Locus A2107 Excavator GRP

DESCRIPTION of PROGRESS of EXCAVATION [date each entry and identify associated pottery pail(s)]:



Year 03 Trench/Locus A2108 Excavator GKPElevations

Benchmark used:

Reading on

Benchmark:

H.I.:

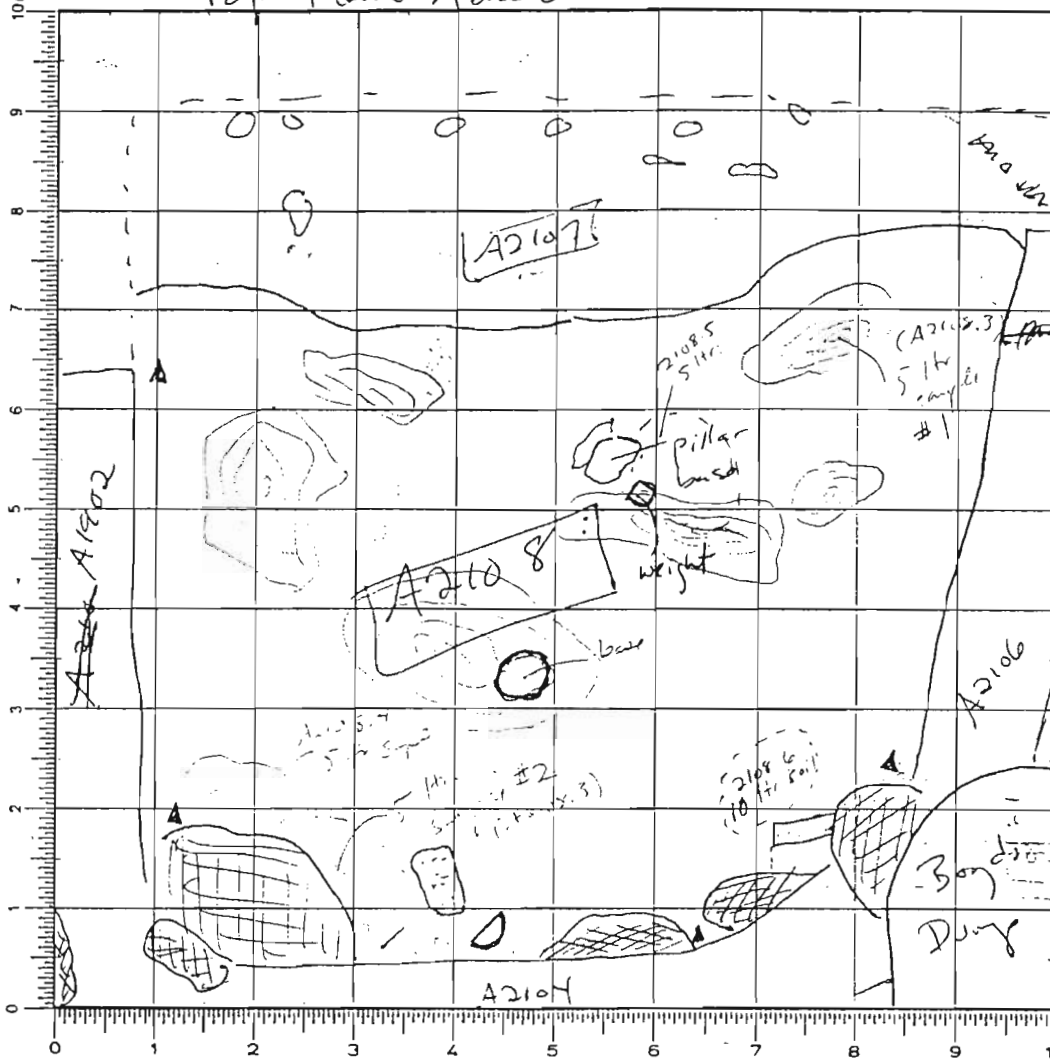
← N Top Plan A2108

Top Elevations

(see A2107 p.4)

Bottom Elevations

(see p.5)



not to scale

SKETCH 1.75 N

DEFINITION/DESCRIPTION of LOCUS (explain why you changed locus numbers):

Today's date: 12 Jun 03 Locus above: A2107

Locus parameters:

Verbal description: A2108.1 + A2108.2 represent the surface pithos shards on top of the soil of A2108. These are photographed and drawn as they lie.

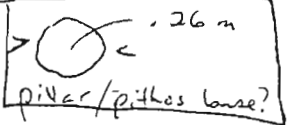
Locus Interpretative Comments (What do you think this is? DATE your comments, continue on additional pages if necessary):

collapsed, burned roofing material

Year 03 Trench/Locus A2108 Excavator GKP

DESCRIPTION of PROGRESS of EXCAVATION [date each entry and identify associated pottery pail(s)]:

112 Jun 03 we change pails because the pottery bag is full - now
A2108.2 - same as A2108.1 - still removal of surface pithos.

116 Jun 03 A2108.3 represents the removal of roofing clay, beginning with the highest levels of preserved clay - we take a 5 ltr. soil sample from a particularly ashy area (see plan, p. 1). We take a 2nd 5-ltr. sample from the very burned area along the western bedrock (see plan, p. 1). We clean off the pithos base and see that the whole base floor is preserved. ~~We~~ We decide to leave the base in, as it is still embedded in the soil below. We also uncover a rounded, flat stone (pillar or pithos base?) that lies c. 2.15m from the wall A2104.  - now "western pillar base"

A2108.4 is a second pass of the higher levels of roofing clay (c. .05 m. pass). Towards the NW corner the soil is very black and orange - we take another 5 ltr. intensive soil sample in this area. Much carbon is recovered - large pieces (c. .03 m in width), and smaller ones.

117 Jun 03 this morning we continue A2108.4 as pail A2108.5. removing the roofing clay at the western edge of the trench (next to A2104). ~~and at the southern end.~~ We notice that some of the brown trash soil still lies on top of this pass in patches and may possibly contaminate this pass. Large chunk of carbon recovered ^{+ bone}. We continue the pass around to the southern side of the trench, leaving the pithos base against A2104 intact and in place. We also notice that the large, roughly rectangular block next to the pithos base seems to be sitting on top of the roofing material. We leave it for now, but intend to take it out in the next pass. (no - this is a feature, and sits on another stone 18 Jun 03).

Year 03 Trench/Locus A2108 Excavator GRP

DESCRIPTION of PROGRESS of EXCAVATION [date each entry and identify associated pottery fail(s)]:

[17. Jun 03] Near the eastern pillar base we find a large mud weight - pyramidal in shape, but broken at the top. This is object #1 from A2108.5.

$$\begin{array}{r} \text{plow: } H1 - 1.116 = \\ \quad \quad \quad = 1.943 \\ H1 = 3.059 \end{array}$$

object #1

olive pit

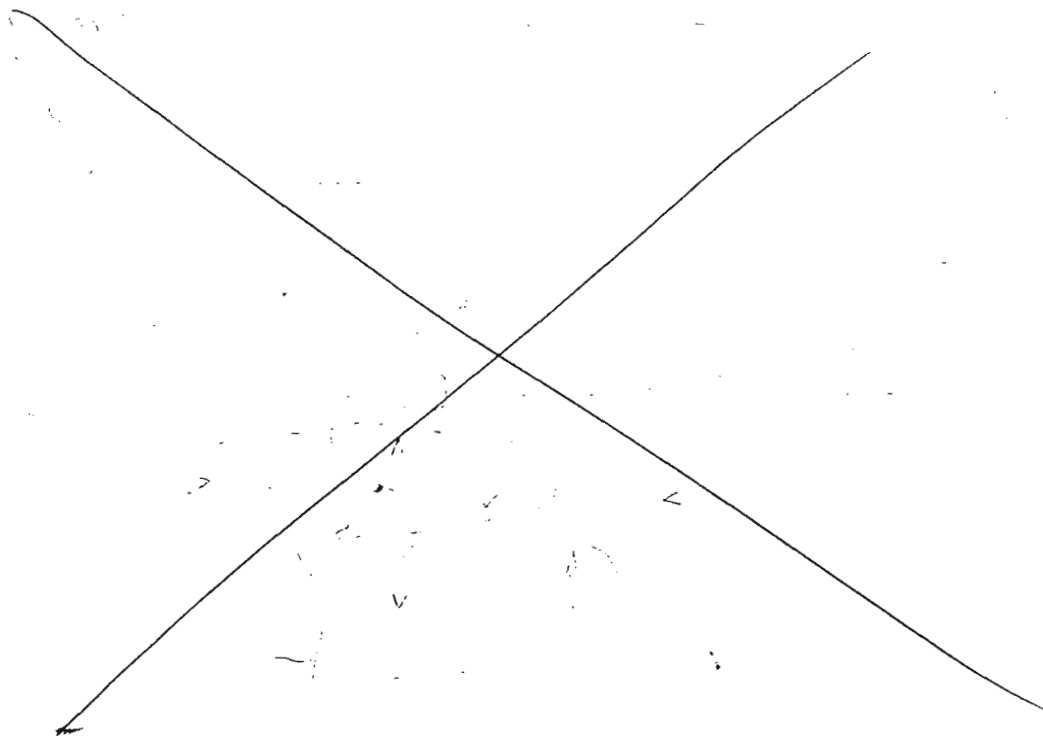
hash(?)

We suspect the floor level is very near the level of the weight (1.943m). Much bone is recovered in the sieve - more confirmation that we are close to the floor level.

Also from the soil near the pillar base a charred seed (olive pit hash?) is recovered from the sieve - we take 5 lbs. of this soil as an intensive sample. From the sieve we recover a metal object (object #2).

We begin removing ~~the~~ another layer of roofing clay in the western part of the trench and change fails - A2108.6.

Its limits are to the N+S bedrock and to the west by A2104



Year 03 Trench/Locus A2108 Excavator GRP

DESCRIPTION of PROGRESS of EXCAVATION [date each entry and identify associated pottery pail(s)]:

17 Jun 03 A2108.6: the soil we excavate is a very bright, dark red soil ^{in front of the hearth} that seems to be encircled by a scatter of pithos sherds. We gather this soil as an intensive ^(10 ltr.) soil sample. The red soil does not turn out to be localized, ~~to~~ around the pithos scatter, ~~the~~ To the north, the soil is pitch black ~~the~~ throughout. We take another 10 ltr. intensive soil sample here.

(A2110.1 object #1)

Along the N. side of the hearth we discover a stone tool - ~~object #3~~
a fist-sized smooth stone ^(~~object #7~~).

Further towards the wall A2104 we find $\frac{1}{2}$ of a bowl and a smooth stone - a quern, object A2110.1 #2.

$$\begin{array}{l} H1 = 3.192 \\ \text{elev} = H1 - 1.252 = 1.940 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{Object} \\ \text{A2110.1 \#1} \end{array}$$

(now A2110.1 object #3)

We finish the pass so that each new feature (and old) can be drawn and photographed: pithos base, rectangular stone with circular bedrock protrusion to the south of it, stone tool, pithos scatter, hearth, smoothed stone, and $\frac{1}{2}$ bowl. (see sketch, p. 35).

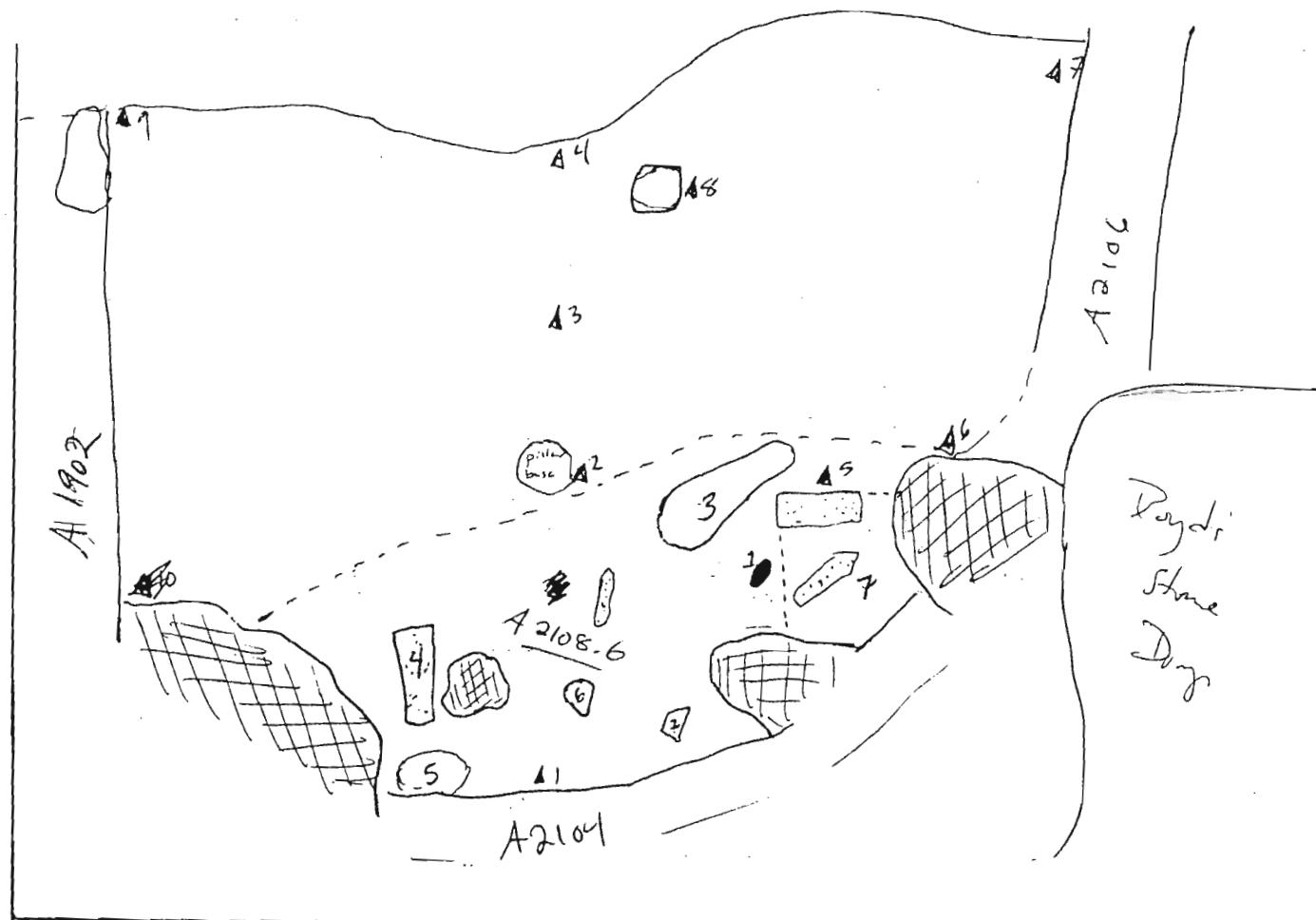
Year 03 Trench/Locus A2108 Excavator Gley

DESCRIPTION of PROGRESS of EXCAVATION [date each entry and identify associated pottery pail(s)]:

17 Jun 03

Bottom of A2108.6 (not to scale)

← N



Jun 03

bottom elevations: H1 = 3.192

1 = stone tool (^{direct 1, A210.1} ~~A2108.6~~ object #3) Δ = 1.9402 = bowl Δ H1 - ~~1.247~~ ^{1.238} = 1.238 (object #3 ~~A2108.6~~ ^{A210.1})

3 = pithos scatter

4 = rectangular stone feature

5 = pithos base Δ H1 - 1.144 = 2.048

6 = smoothed stone (^{quern?}) Δ H1 - 1.267 (object #3, ~~A2108.6~~ ^{A210.1}) = 1.925

7 = hearth

H1 = 3.192

Δ 1 H1 - 1.308 = 1.884

Δ 2 H1 - 1.214 = 1.978

Δ 3 H1 - 1.295 = 1.897

Δ 4 H1 - 1.343 = 1.849

Δ 5 H1 - 1.275 = 1.917

Δ 6 H1 - 1.290 = 1.902

Δ 7 H1 - 1.405 = 1.787

Δ 8 H1 - 1.345 = 1.847

Δ 9 H1 - 1.386 = 1.806

~~Δ 10 H1~~

Year 03 Trench/Locus A2108 Excavator GKP

DESCRIPTION of PROGRESS of EXCAVATION [date each entry and identify associated pottery pair(s)]:

18 Jun 03 With yesterday's A2108.6, we believe that we have found the floor in the ~~very~~ western part of the trench, against A2104. ~~We begin by continuing the removal of roofing clay as A2108.7. We recently began the stone tool as A2108.7, since we are removing it today, though it was found yesterday in A2108.6. We begin by removing the smoothed stone~~

We begin the excavation of the bottom layer of roofing material as A2110.

Year 03 Trench/Locus A2109 Excavator GRP

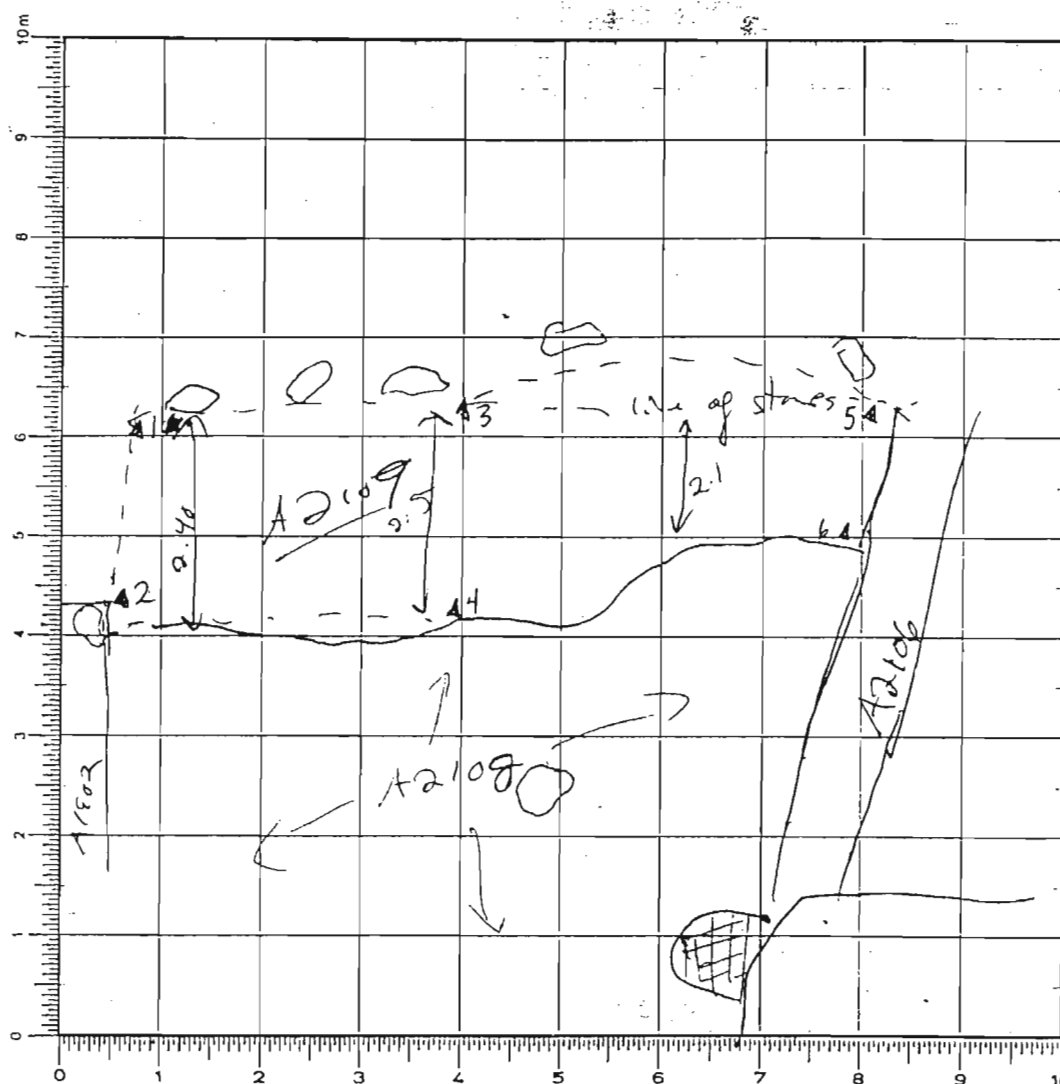
Elevations

Benchmark used:

Reading on

Benchmark:

H.I.: 2.765



Top Elevations

- A1 H1 - 1.372 = 1.387
 A2 H1 - 0.956 = 1.809
 A3 H1 - 1.275 = 1.490
 A4 H1 - 0.922 = 1.843
 A5 H1 - 1.099 = 1.666
 A6 H1 - 0.965 = 1.800

Bottom Elevations

- H1 = 3.121
 A1 H1 - 1.869 = 1.252
 A2 H1 - 1.308 = 1.813
 A3 H1 - 1.934 = 1.187
 A4 H1 - 1.321 = 1.800
 A5 H1 - 1.437 = 1.684
 A6 H1 - 1.289 = 1.832

SKETCH 1:75 N

DEFINITION/DESCRIPTION of LOCUS (explain why you changed locus numbers):

Today's date: 13. Jun 03 Locus above: ~~A2103~~ A2102Locus parameters: from stone wall (eastern edge) to c. 2.5 m west
Between erosion line to the east and line of stones to the west.

Verbal description:

an eastern extension of the pass intended to expose the burned layer. This is different from A2107 because not a lot of tumble is found, and this ~~pass is still relatively~~ area may contain the erosion line (i.e. we may have late things ~~there~~ and don't want to contaminate A2107. We also dig out the bulk along A1902.

Locus Interpretative Comments (What do you think this is? DATE your comments, continue on additional pages if necessary):

eroded soil - some top soil, virgin soil? ~~done to bedrock~~

Year 03 Trench/Locus A2109 Excavator GKp

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OBJECTS

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ADDITIONAL COLLECTED MATERIAL

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Year 03 Trench/Locus A2109 Excavator GKP

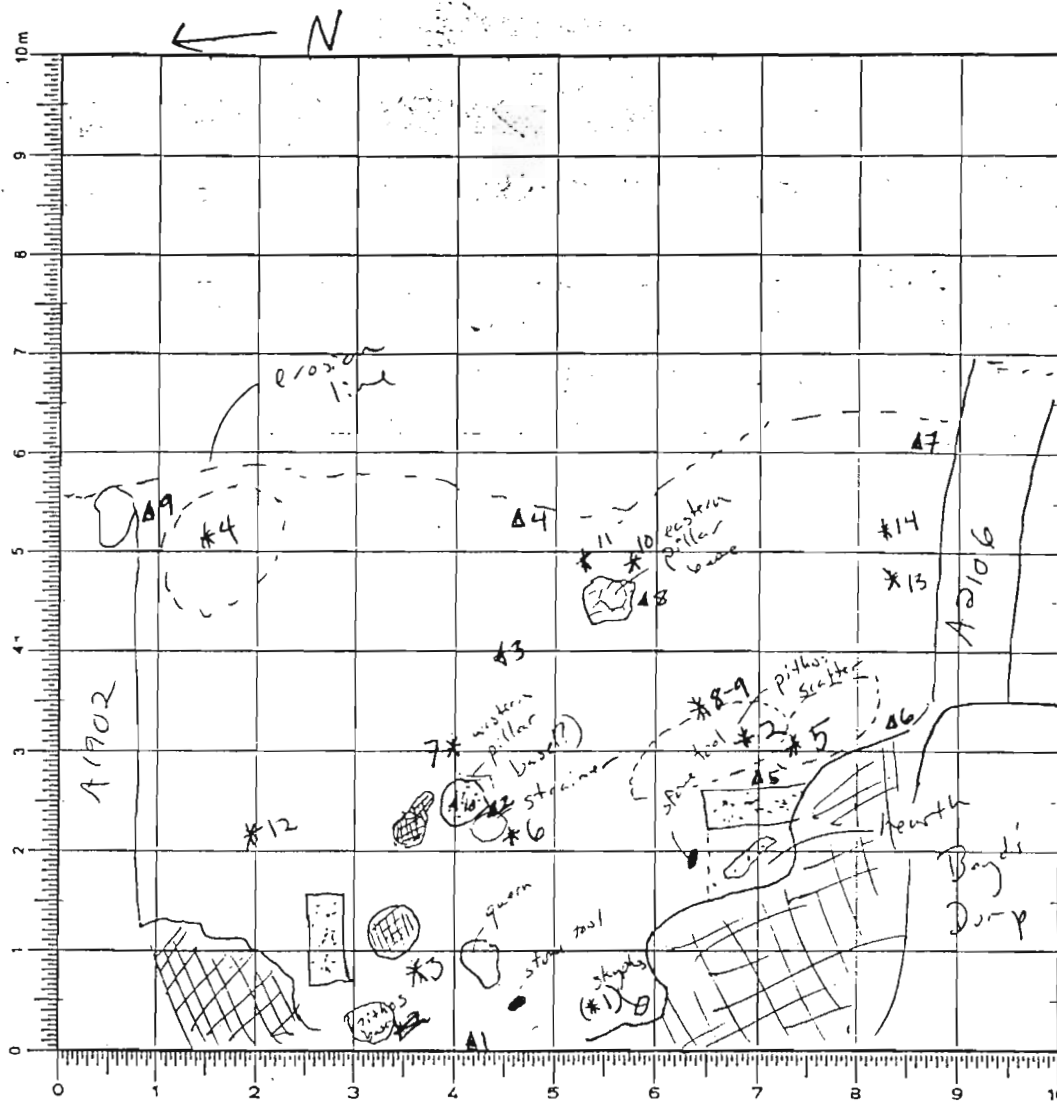
DESCRIPTION of PROGRESS of EXCAVATION [date each entry and identify associated pottery find(s)]:

13 Jun 03 The soil of A2109.1 is light brown and sandy. Very few shreds, ~~none~~

16 Jun 03 A2109.2 represents the continuation of A2109.1 - the removal of rocky, sandy soil until the erosion line to the west. We take a very small pass, as we may be hitting a floor surface - ~~very~~ possibly, sandy layer. A2109.2 yielded no pottery.

Elevations

Benchmark used:
Reading on
Benchmark:
H.I.:



Top Elevations

(for calculations, see A2108 p.5)

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta 1 &= 1.884 \\ \Delta 2 &= 1.978 \\ \Delta 3 &= 1.897 \\ \Delta 4 &= 1.849 \\ \Delta 5 &= 1.917 \\ \Delta 6 &= 1.902 \\ \Delta 7 &= 1.787 \\ \Delta 8 &= 1.847 \\ \Delta 9 &= 1.806 \end{aligned}$$

Bottom Elections

See p. 4

$$H_1 = 3.229$$

$\Delta 10 (\text{pillar}) \quad HI - 1.163 = 2.066$
 $\Delta 11 (\text{pillar}) \quad HI - 1.344 = 1.885$

not to scale

~~SKETCH 1: 75 N~~

Today's date: 18 Jun 03 Locus above: A2108

Locus parameters:
Same as A2108 - whole trench down to erosion line to the east except for the north (A2111).

Verbal description:

verbal description:
A2110.1: We change loci because ~~the~~ of the finds found in the western part of the trench—the skyphos, stone tool, quern. We are at the habitation debris. We remove the above finds as objects and take a soil sample from the soil found inside the skyphos (A2110.1 soil sample #1). Soil samples are indicated on sketch.

Locus Interpretative Comments (What do you think this is? DATE your comments, continue on additional pages if necessary):

End of roofing material, down to habitation
debris.

Year 03 Trench/Locus A2110 Excavator GKP

DESCRIPTION of PROGRESS of EXCAVATION [date each entry and identify associated pottery pail(s)]:

Soil Sample Key, A2110.1, A2110.5, A2110.6, A2110.7

* = soil sample taken, numbers are identical to #'s on sample tags.

*1 (A2110.1) small patch of soil from inside the skyphos

*2 (A2110.1) 20 ltr. sample of very red, hard clay beneath ^{and around} ~~pit~~ ^{pithos}
scatter

*3 (A2110.1) ashy, black soil with carbon (20 ltr.)

*4 (A2110.1) ashy soil with carbon (10 ltr.)

*5 (A2110.1) red soil, in front of hearth (~~below~~ ^{and around} ~~new removed~~
pithos ~~scatter~~).
(A2110.1)*6 _n light grey soil from around the strainer (new only 1/2 excavated)~~A2110.2 soil sample inside pithos~~*7 to the north of column base, c. 15 ltr
(A2110.5)*8-9 ^(A2110.5) burned roofing clay around tekane (each c. 15 ltr.) [see p. 4 for sketch]

*10 (A2110.5) roofing clay around eastern pillar base

*11 (A2110.6) burned roofing clay ~~around~~ on the S. of eastern pillar base*12 (~~A2110.5~~) (A2110.7) NW section of trench (olive pit found in sieve)*13 (A2110.7) ~~the section of trench (olive pit found in sieve)~~ Along A2106.

*14 (A2110.7) Along A2106 (olive pit found in sieve)

Year 03 Trench/Locus ~~A2100~~ A2110 Excavator GKP

DESCRIPTION of PROGRESS of EXCAVATION [date each entry and identify associated pottery, pail(s)]

18 Jun 03 We remove the pithos base and sample the soil found inside.

Bones, fragments of a single cup, charcoal, and a stone tool ~~is~~ are recovered from the interior. All these are a separate pail, A2110.2

turning to
2110.1: $\frac{1}{4}$ the NW corner of the trench we come to a patch of ashy soil w/ carbon, bone, and many pithos sherds - this is roughly the same area as the pithos scatter from A2108.1-2. We take an intensive soil sample here (A2110.1 #4)

We continue A2110.1 and find a well-preserved strainer next to the western pillar ~~base~~ base, we change pails to keep this and the soil inside separate.

A2110.3. We leave the strainer & the soil inside it for another day -

A small stone tool is found along A2104, (A2110.1 object #5)

$$H1 = 3.165$$

$$H1 = 1.180$$

$$= 1.985$$

~~object #6~~ A2110.3 strainer, top elevation

$$3.165 - 1.288 =$$

$$1.877$$

object #5

bottom elevation

The pottery from A2110.1 is divided into 1 bag ($\frac{1}{4}$ from Seire) 1 klosa with A2110.1, and another klosa with A2110.4 - this is only split to make the klosas lighter and does not represent a change in context.

Also uncovered is a small patch of bedrock to the north of the western pillar base.

We end the day having excavated only the western and northern area →



Year 03 Trench/Locus A2110.5 Excavator GRP

DESCRIPTION of PROGRESS of EXCAVATION [date each entry and identify associated pottery pail(s)]:

19 Jun 03

We continue the pass across the trench as A2110.5

The soil contains some red and black soil, some charcoal. Just to the N. of the eastern pillar base, the soil is very similar to our roofing clay, and is deep (c. 10 cm.) in places; we remove a flat stone sitting on top of the soil - we note this because it is near 2 other flat stones that may be part of a fence - though the one we remove is clearly loose. We seem to come upon a greenish-pebbly layer of clay - perhaps this is the floor?



We take an interim soil sample (c. 15 cm) N. of pillar (#7)

We uncover a large section of a lekane(?), perhaps the "fisher section" removed in A2110.1 (just above it) belongs to this vessel. We take soil sample #8 and #9 around the lekane.

We remove the lekane and the strainer. We notice that the ~~western~~ pillar base rests on a thin rectangular ~~base~~ ^{plinth}. (sup. for elevation).

A2110.3
Bottom of strainer
 $3.229 - 1.405 =$
 1.824

We continue towards the east and take a soil sample around the eastern pillar base (#10).

We take a standard soil sample from this locus,

which includes soil from yesterday (A2110.1) ^{of roofing clay}. We finish the pass and identify a few pottery ^{fragments} that need to be dug - we change pails because we may be beyond the cross-hair line and may no longer be on habitation debris; we take soil samples of the very red and burned area to the south of the eastern pillar base (sample #11).

A2110.6 = A2110.5

Year 03 Trench/Locus A2110 Excavator GKP

DESCRIPTION of PROGRESS of EXCAVATION [date each entry and identify associated pottery pail(s)]:

20 Jun 03

A2110.7 Represents a small pass taken in NW corner of trench to level down the roofing material - floor is exposed here. ~~water is drawn off the surface and~~ An olive pit is encountered in the sieve, and we take an intrusive soil sample here (#12). The soil is red and sticky with carbon pieces.

We also take a small pass along A2106 where the roofing clay is still high - we take a soil sample of this (#13) as it is very burned. Another soil sample is taken also along A2106 (#14) due to a high deposit of lime & another olive pit.

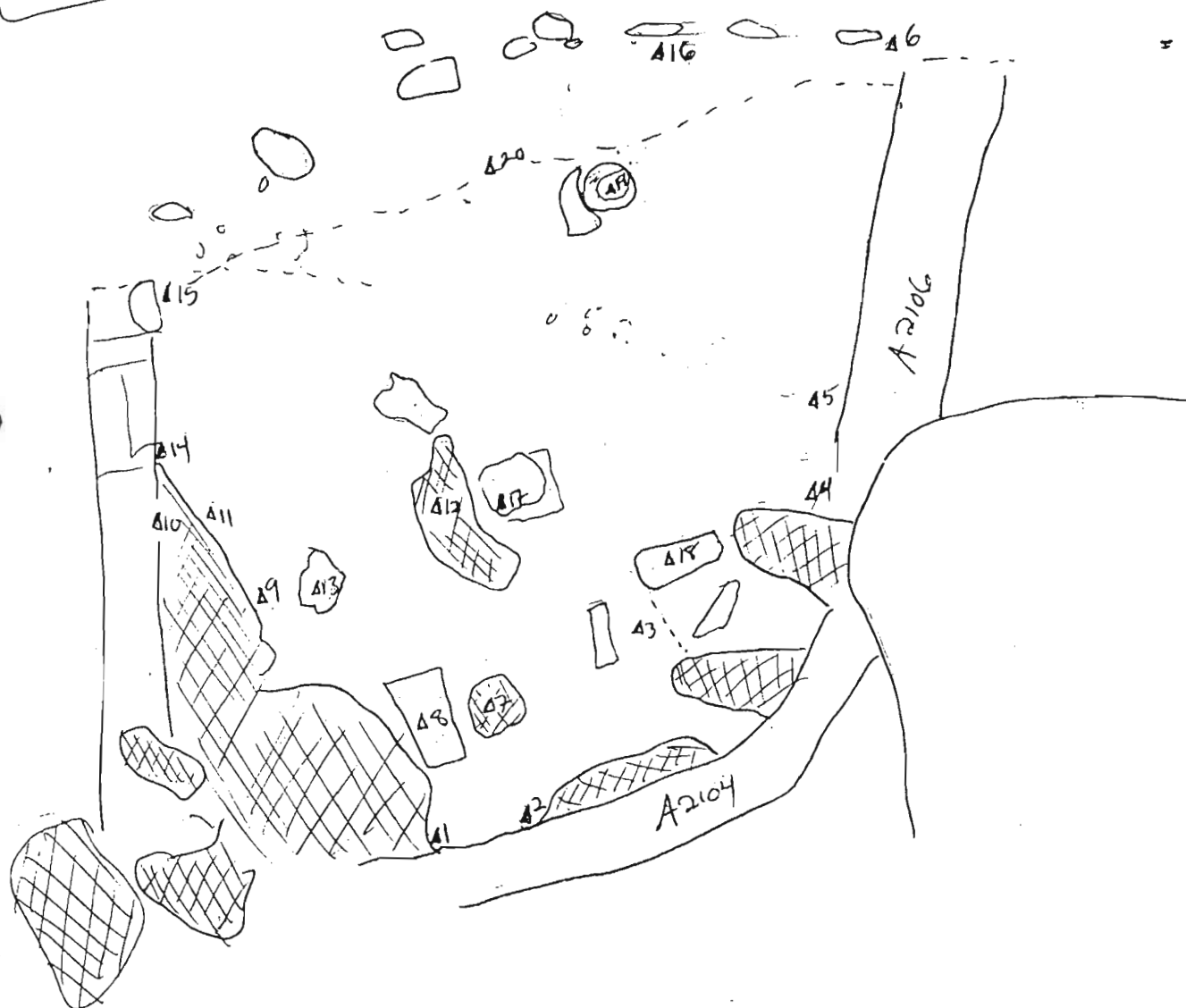
Year 03 Trench/Locus A2110 Excavator GRP

DESCRIPTION of PROGRESS of EXCAVATION [date each entry and identify associated pottery pail(s)]:

20 Jun 03

Final Elevation, A2110

H1 = 3.184



- A1 H1 - 1.217 = 1.967
 A2 H1 - 1.124 = 2.060
 A3 H1 - 1.186 = 1.998
 A4 H1 - 1.206 = 1.978
 A5 H1 - 1.245 = 1.889
 A6 H1 - 1.330 = 1.854
 A7 H1 - 0.921 = 2.263
 A8 H1 - 0.805 = 2.379
 A9 H1 - 1.235 = 1.949
 A10 H1 - 0.920 = 2.264
 A11 H1 - 1.230 = 1.954
 A12 H1 - 1.125 = 2.061
 A13 H1 - 1.180 = 2.004
 A14 H1 - 1.235 = 1.949

- A15 H1 - 1.286 = 1.898
 A16 H1 - 1.461 = 1.723
 A17 = 2.048
 A18 = 2.200
 A19 = 2.064
 A20 = 1.724

$H = 3.059$, in terms of q , unless otherwise noted

Year 03 Trench/Locus A2110 Excavator CLP

DESCRIPTION of PROGRESS of EXCAVATION [date each entry and identify associated pottery find(s)]:

23 Jun 03 We remove the ovoid stone resting next to the eastern pillar base - pottery found in the cleanup is bagged as 42110.8.

Year 03 Trench/Locus A2111 Excavator GRPElevations

Benchmark used:

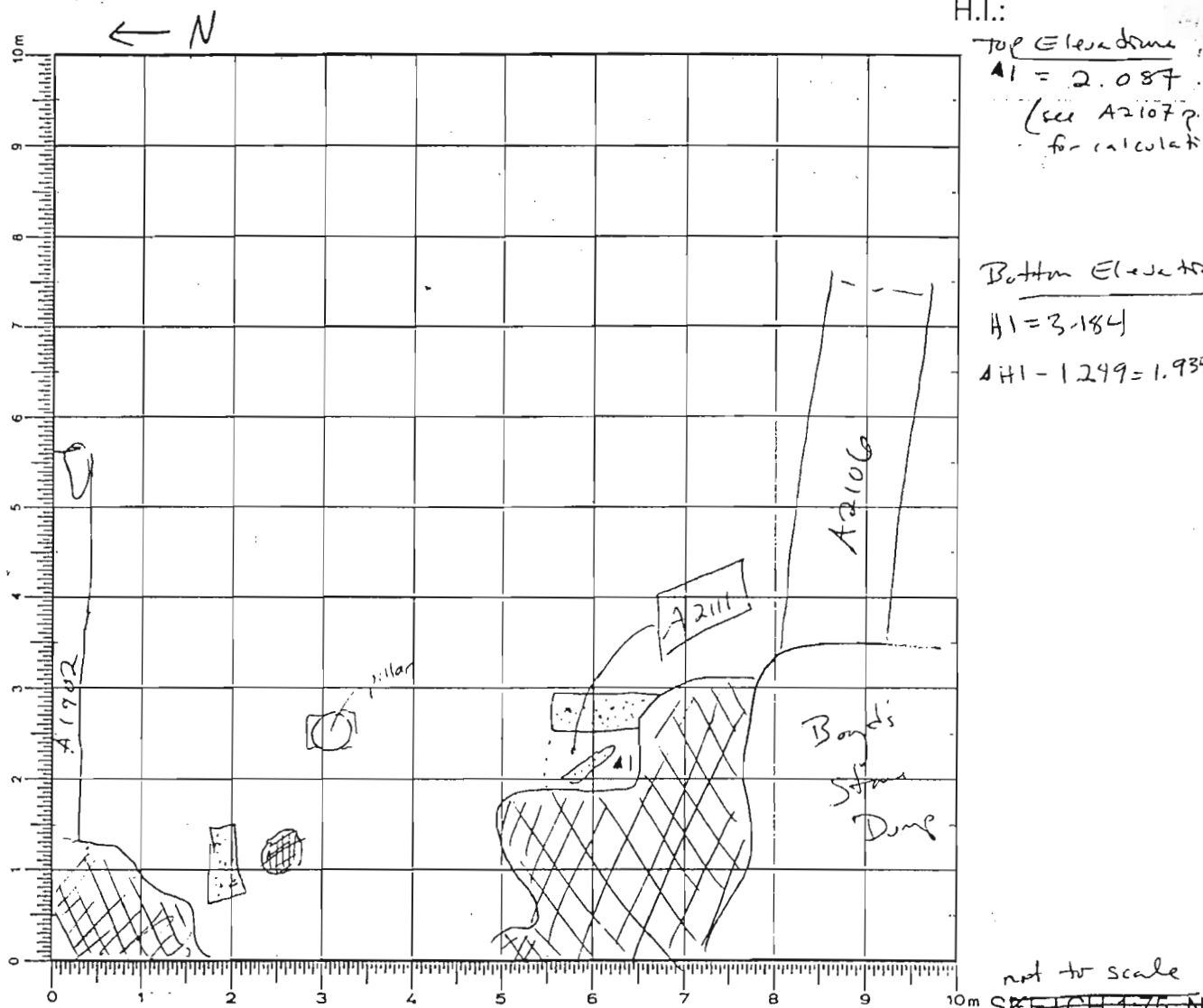
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Benchmark:

H.I.:

Top Elevation
 $\Delta 1 = 2.087$
 (see A2107 p.4
 for calculation)

Bottom Elevation

 $\Delta 1 = 3.184$ $\Delta H - 1.299 = 1.935$ 

DEFINITION/DESCRIPTION of LOCUS (explain why you changed locus numbers):

Today's date:

19 Jun 03

Locus above:

~~A2108~~ A2107

Locus parameters:

hearth

Verbal description:

This locus represents the hearth in the SW corner of the trench and the soil found within it. A2111.1 is the removal of the top layer of soil within the hearth. Almost immediately we find ~~the~~ the bottom of a bowl/pithos with a stone tool inside. We leave these things for the next part. (drawn and photographed).

Locus Interpretative Comments (What do you think this is? DATE your comments, continue on additional pages if necessary):

hearth

Year 03 Trench/Locus A211 Excavator GRP

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OBJECTS

[illegible]

ADDITIONAL COLLECTED MATERIAL

[illegible]

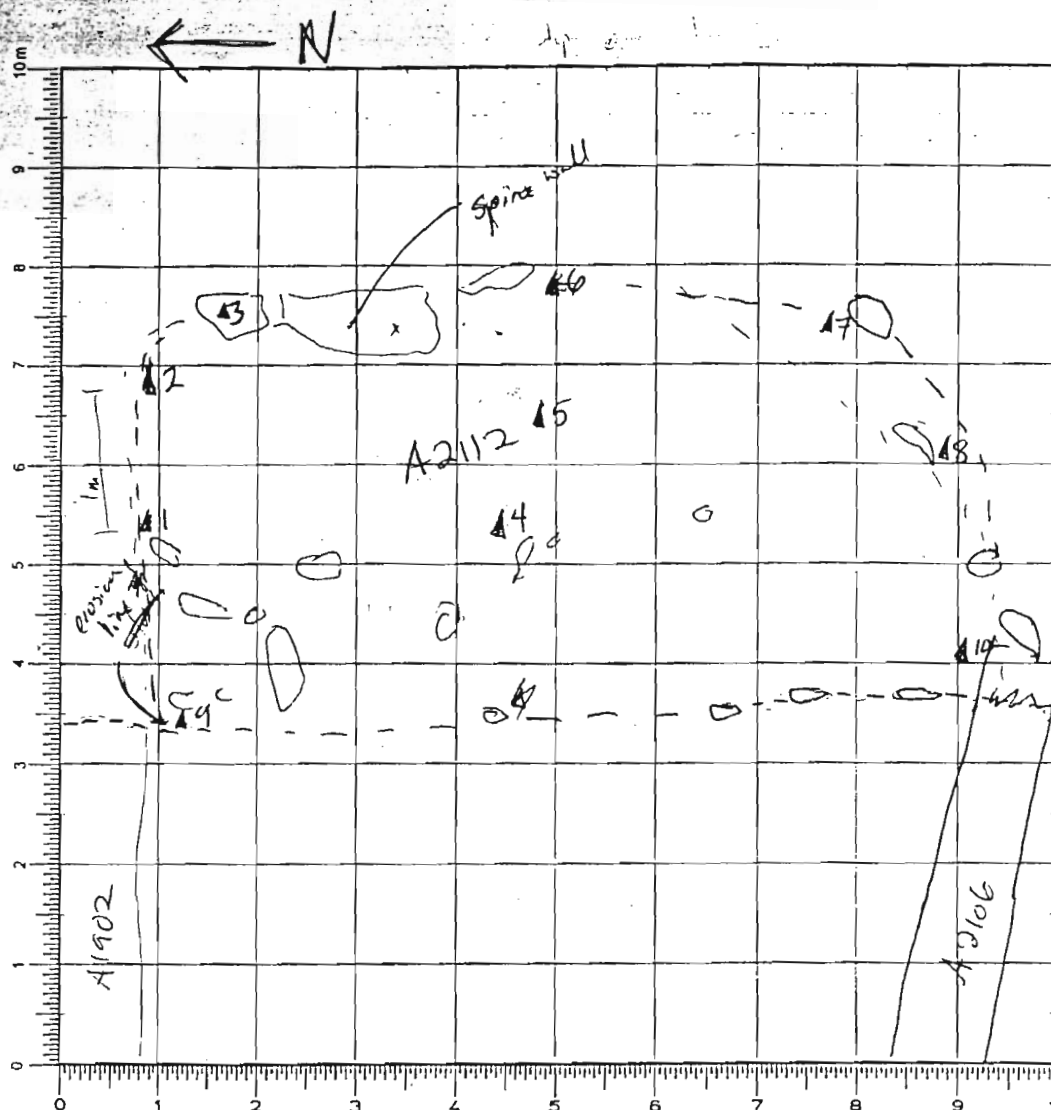
Year 03 Trench/Locus A2112 Excavator GKP

Elevations

Benchmark used:

Reading on

Benchmark:

H.I.: 2.466

Top Elevations*

41 H1 - 1.420 = 1.046

42 H1 - 1.925 = 0.541

43 H1 - 2.695 = -0.229

44 H1 - 1.276 = 1.170

45 H1 - 2.068 = 0.398

46 H1 - 2.777 = -0.481

47 H1 - 3.126 = -0.660

48 H1 - 1.938 = 0.478

* taken after A2112.1, cleaning
pass

49 = 1.898 410 = 1.854

Bottom Elevations:

see p. 2

Not to Scale

SKETCH 1.75 N

DEFINITION/DESCRIPTION of LOCUS (explain why you changed locus numbers):

Today's date:

20 - Jun 03

Locus above:

A2101, A2109

Locus parameters: Western limit: erosion line, eastern limit: spine wall, N/S limits - walls A1902 + A2106.

Verbal description: (cleaning of lower (eastern) section of trench, from line of stones (roughly in line with the eastern preserved limit of walls A1902 and A2106), to the west, and the spine wall to the east. This is a cleaning of debris from our old wheelbarrow trench and other debris that accumulated from excavation of A2102 - A2111. At the end of the pass, no pottery was yielded.

Locus Interpretative Comments (What do you think this is? DATE your comments, continue on additional pages if necessary):

top soil below erosion line

Year 1983 Trench/Locus A2112 Excavator Greg

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OBJECTS

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ADDITIONAL COLLECTED MATERIAL

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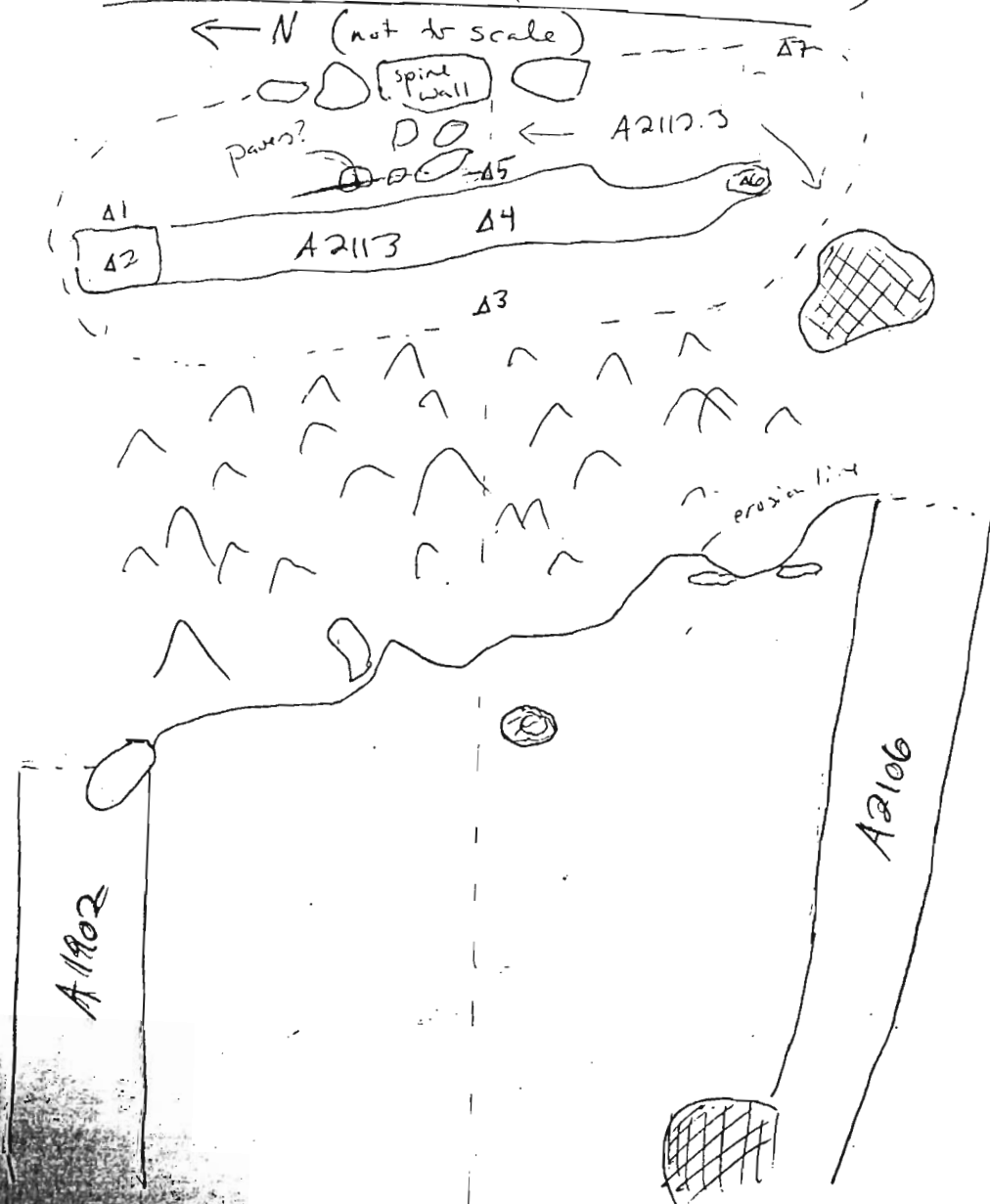
Year 03 Trench/Locus A2112.2 Excavator GKP

DESCRIPTION of PROGRESS of EXCAVATION [date each entry and identify associated pottery pair(s)]:

23 Jun 03 We start a pass over this lower area as A2112.2 and find a small section of wall just S. of the spine wall which we will follow tomorrow. Soil is very rocky, ~~with~~ many large chunks of bedrock and pebbles. Little pottery is recovered.

24 Jun 03 Today we begin a pass in the lower SE part of the locus and work up towards the line of the new wall as A2112.3. This pass uncovers the N-S wall A2113. We continue this pass around A2113 to expose the faces and ~~level~~^{reveal} some flat stones between this wall and the spine wall - pavers for a walkway?

Bottom Plan, A2112 (with wall A2113)



Bottom Elevations,
A2112

| | |
|-------|------------------|
| H1 | = 2.785 |
| Δ1 H1 | - 2.660 = 0.125 |
| Δ2 H1 | - 2.480 = 0.305 |
| Δ3 H1 | - 2.571 = 0.194 |
| Δ4 H1 | - 2.501 = 0.284 |
| Δ5 H1 | - 2.852 = -0.097 |
| Δ6 H1 | - 2.841 = -0.056 |
| Δ7 H1 | - 3.429 = -0.644 |

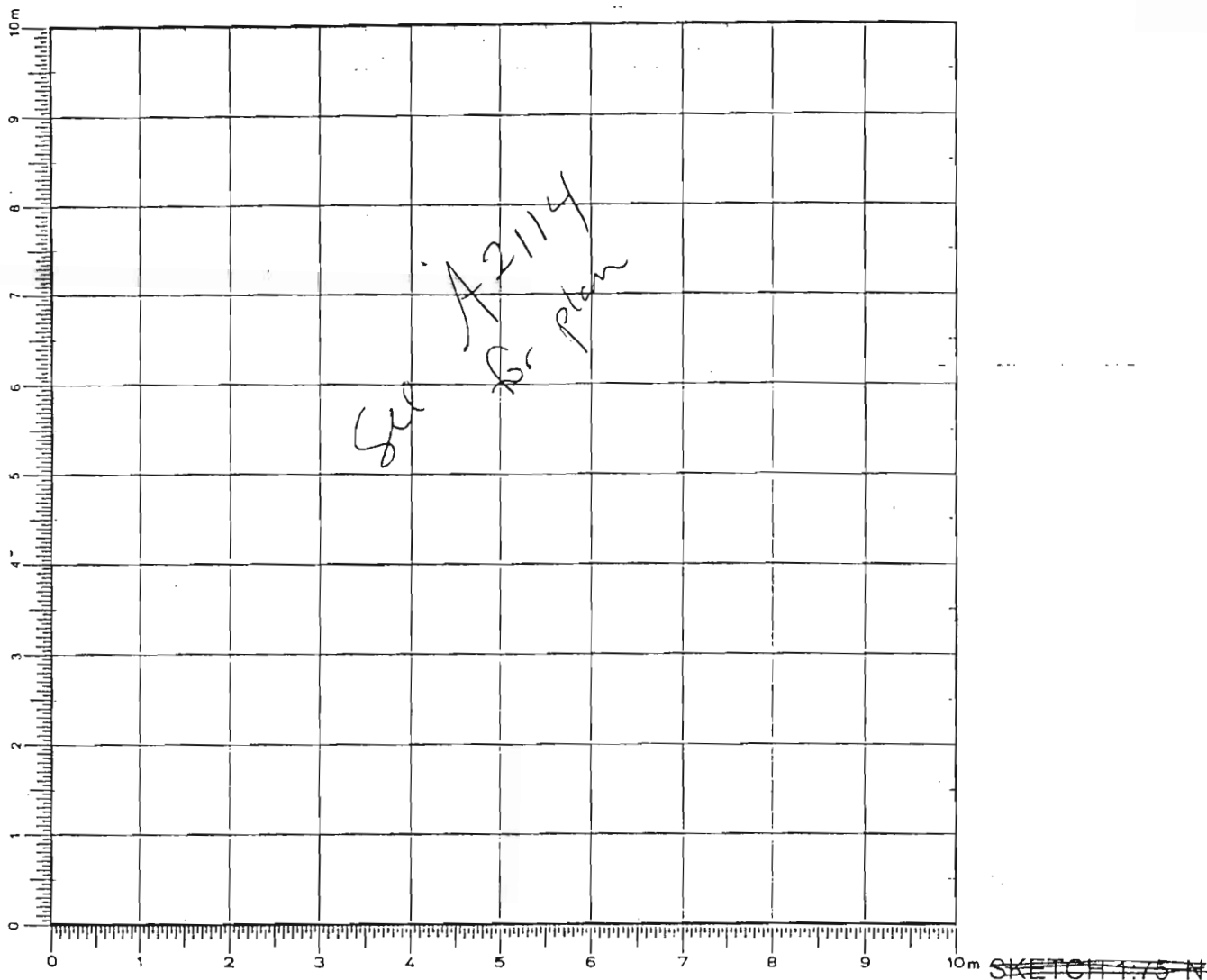
Year 03 Trench/Locus A2113 Excavator GKP**Elevations**

Benchmark used:

Reading on

Benchmark:

H.I.:



DEFINITION/DESCRIPTION of LOCUS (explain why you changed locus numbers):

Today's date: 24 Jun 03Locus above:

Locus parameters:

Verbal description:

Wall found in A2112 - just west of spine wall. This wall runs N-S, parallel to the spine wall, and may, together with it, form a walkway that may have been paved, as 4-5 flat stones appear between the two.

Locus Interpretative Comments (What do you think this is? DATE your comments, continue on additional pages if necessary):

Wall

Year 03 Trench/Locus A2114 Excavator GKP

Elevations

Benchmark used:

Reading on

Benchmark:

H.I. 2.978

Top Elevations

41 HI - 3.889 = -0.911

42 HI - 3.725 = -0.747

43 HI - 3.635 = -0.657

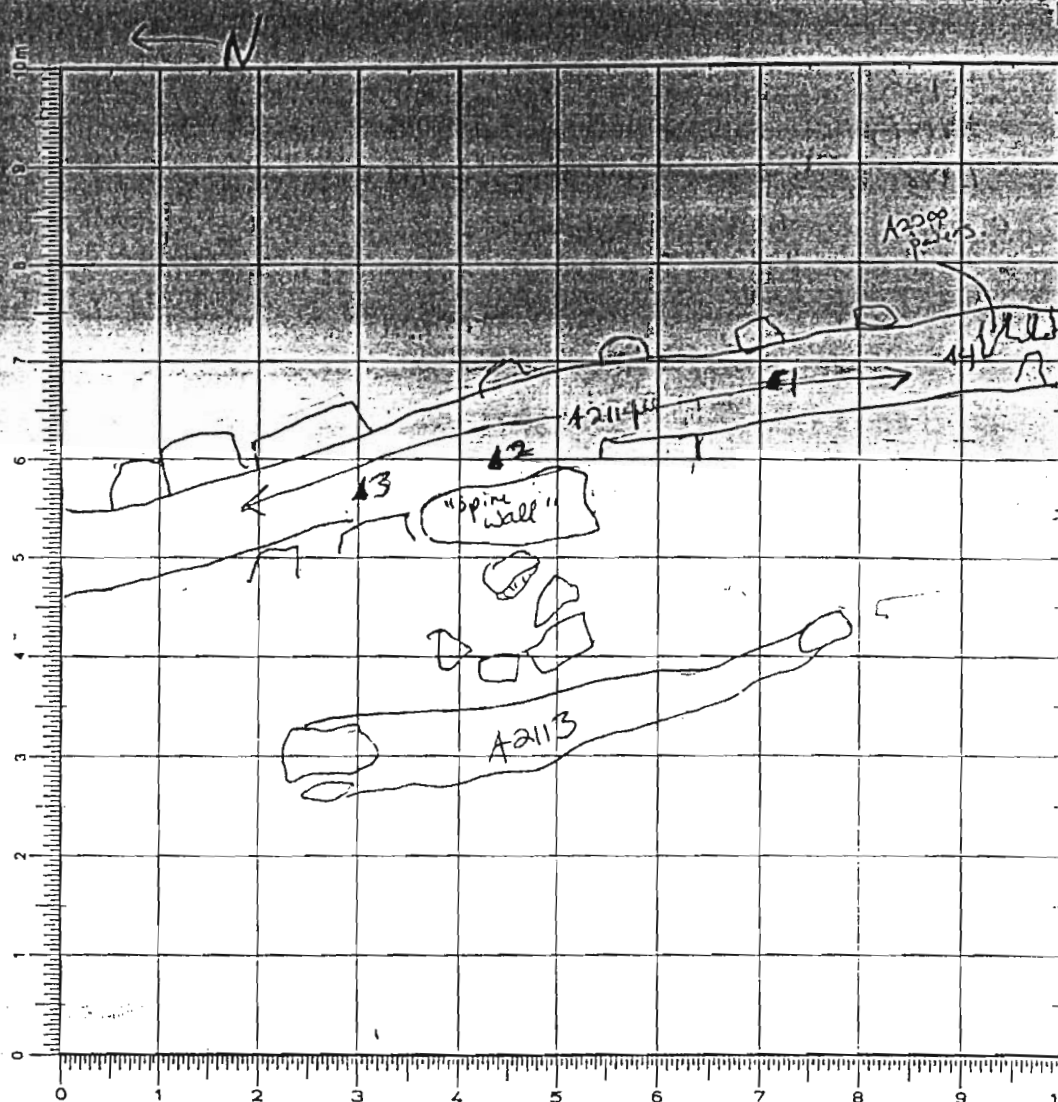
Bottom Elevations

HI = 2.995

42 HI - 2.253 = 0.742

43 HI - 2.221 = 0.774

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Not to scale

SKETCH 175 N

DEFINITION/DESCRIPTION of LOCUS (explain why you changed locus numbers):

Today's date:

Locus above: 725 Jun 03

Locus parameters:

A narrow strip running from S. edge of A2100 below the spine wall north to the N. ledge of A1800.

Verbal description:

A2114.1 is a cleaning pass attempting to follow the line of pavers found in A2200. We stop the pass at the end of the day.

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A2114.2 is the continuation of A2114.1 towards the N. side. We find a short line of large stones (wall?) that projects from the spine wall at an angle. At this point, the spine wall continues to the north with three stones.

Locus Interpretative Comments (What do you think this is? DATE your comments, continue on additional pages if necessary):

fill above (paved?) road?

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Excavator

[illegible]

OBJECTS

[illegible]

ADDITIONAL COLLECTED MATERIAL

[illegible]

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DESCRIPTION of PROGRESS of EXCAVATION [date each entry and identify associated pottery pail(s)]:

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that seem to be resting on fill/packing. This line of stones may represent a step? (#1 step) leading from lower eastern slope up to the western area.

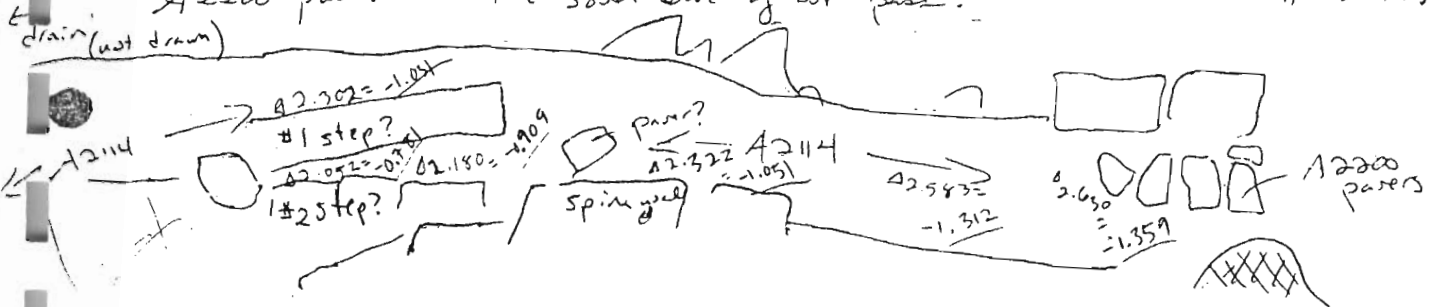
Also at the northern extent of the spine wall in A1800, we find four thin slabs set c. 0.15m apart (a drain?)

We take a standard soil sample from all along A2114.

We do not seem to come upon more pavers, ~~but~~ to complement the

A2200 pavers at the south end of our pass.

#F2.995



Bottom Plan of A2114.1-3

← N

HI = 1.271

GRTH

Also, in line with the spine wall, 3 stone - rectangular blocks, sit on a packing (step #2?) which is indicative of a step, not the bottom course of the spine wall. The spine wall is constructed of large boulders, which contrast the 3 blocks here - certainly a break in the wall, likely a step, as is suggested for the line of blocks indicated as #1 Step on the bottom plan above.

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A2114.4 We excavate a small pass around the southern end of ~~A2114~~ A2113, in order to be confident that A2113 does not continue, ~~and to find~~

The soil is very pebbly - probably we are into a packing layer for the wall or paving - this pass is nonsense, so we stop.

HI = 1.271

