

Date (dd/mm/yy): 25/5/09 EU: 9 SU: 5802

Area: Vigla Supervisor: DN Recorder: DN

Summary: Top soil / cleaning of entire EU

Chronology: _____ (to be filled out by RSM or MH)

Harris matrix

Coordinates

5801
5802

N
(387)1510.50

W
4408.63

E
4413.63

S
1507.50

Soil description

Munsell (wet): 10YR 3/4 dark yellowish brown

Maximum top elevation: 55.50 masl

Soil type: loamy sand

Minimum bottom elevation: 54.39

Consolidation: loose

(*Indicate elevations on SU plan)

Stoniness: 10 %

Slope: slopes steeply from E (top) to W (bottom)

Dominant clast size: gravel

Features

- f1. 5802-f1 N-S fortification wall?
- f2.
- f3.
- f4.
- f5.

List all **photographs** of this SU (p1, p2, etc.):

5802 p1 (top), 5802 p2, p3, p4 (bottom)

List all **drawings** of this SU (d1, d2, etc.):

5802 d1 (bottom/final)

Procedure

Dry sieve Water sieve _____ If water sieve, # of bags: _____

Finds (# of bags)

Ceramic 2 Stone 1 Bone _____ Metal _____ Organic _____ Plaster _____ Other 1
11 1 mortar

Date (dd/mm/yy): 25/05/09EU: 09SU: 5862

Description: After cleaning the outside edge of the EU
(to prevent contamination), we have begun removing
the topsoil from the entire EU. This involves a fair
amount of weeding, as shrubs and grasses cover the
slopes of Vigla.

The 26 May 2009 - We're now scraping down with
trowels on the top soil, ~~from~~ starting from the east
(upslope). The soil is very soft, dark, and full of
grasses & weeds. On the NE edge of the trench
we're starting to expose several stones which appear
to line up to form a wall running upslope, to the east.

This may be part of the fortification wall of the
north face of Vigla.

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PM: The wall is shaping up nicely. The fill is very
loose, with many roots growing between the stones. It
seems that this fill is much more soil-fill, with
fewer stones, than the wall we excavated in
2008 in EU 6. It seems likely that we
are cleaning up the remainder of a fairly loosely-
packed ^{rubble} fill of the wall. Perhaps the construction
technique is different from the stretch of
wall in EU 6? We're doing our best to clean up
the wall but the plant growth has really
made it difficult.

Date (dd/mm/yy): 26 / 5 / 09EU: 9SU: 5802

Description: In clearing the fortification wall (5801-f1),
we recognized two distinct types of construction.

Running E-W downslope is a well-constructed wall
with mortar construction and several cut blocks. We
will continue to call this 5801-f1. Running N-S
along the line of the slope is a poorly-consolidated
rubble fill of cobbles and coarse pebbles. There is no
mortar in this construction, and much soil between the
stones. No well-constructed faces are evident on the
west (downslope) or the east (upslope). It seems,
at the moment anyway, that it is either very
poorly constructed or it is the remains of a rubble
fill (in which case faces should appear as we excavate
deeper, at least on the upslope side). It is also
possible that this feature is some kind of tumble
from 5801-f1, but ~~this~~ we can easily test this
with excavation of the soil upslope. We will ^{label} call
this feature 5802-f1, since we first recognized it
in this Su.

This Su is now closed; we are preparing a top
plan of what is now visible in the EU.

5801-f1

5802-f1