Photographs - see page 147

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Pail: 95A/2: 125; Under Pails: 95A/2: 5 and 95B/2: 103; Levels and Location: see plan p. 144; Location Label: M; Fill: stones and pebbles, sand
Pottery: 39 sherds (0.370 kg) Latest Date: LM III A2/1B
some SNA body sherds; few joins in unit; a number of diagnostic sherds

Inventoried Objects:

Also:

Pail: 95A/2: 126; Under Pails: 95A/2: 5 and 95B/2: 1103; Levels and Location: see plan p. 144; Location Label: M; Fill: stones and pebbles, sand
Pottery: 64 sherds (0.680 kg) Latest Date: LM III A2/1B
Range: MM III, LM I, LM III A4, LM III A2/1B, mostly LM III A-B; worn, but not too broken up; few joins
some SNA body sherds

Inventoried Objects:

Also:

Photography: platform of stones supporting pebble surface
Trench 95A and B, From S
Roll 5, Fr. 9-12, colour too
see photographs p. 146

A new pail is opened for continued digging within the fire pit of the kiln as we search for its floor.

Pail: 95A/4: 127; Under Pail: 95A/3: 111; Levels and Location: see plan p. 144; Location Label: Fire pit; Fill: loose earth, blackened, with ash?; water washed only
Pottery: 52 sherds (2.350 kg) Latest Date: LM IA(2)
appears to be pure LM IA(2); material is identical to kiln dump; no casters; but some sherds are crazed and flaking - from extreme heat?

Inventoried Objects:

Also: soil sample, clay pieces, shell, 3 lamps of clay with 2nd; sample is very - nothing significant
25 July, 1994 (continued)

With pill 95A/3:124 we expose the rest of the line of Wall 1 to the west. We now open a new pill to clean this wall.

Pill: 95A/3:128; Order Pill: 95A/3:124; Levels and Location: see plan p. 144; Location Label: 1560; Fill: brown/grey earth, some stones
Pottery: 203 sherds (2.715 kg); Latest Date: LM III A
Range: MM III, MM II, LM IA, LM IB, LM II, LM II A; mostly LM IB - II; many pithoi, UP M/C vessels; not too weathered or broken up. Few, and small Inventoryed Objects: Cl 0111, Cypriot milk bowl 1-2 broken sherds
Also: shell

Trench 95A: kiln with fire pit emptied, showing large piece of pottery and possible steps from LD; colour too.
Roll 5, Fr. 15-16
26 July 1994

Excavation continues with Pail 95A/4.127 and 95A/3.128
A new pail is opened for removal of the remaining section of bank from Trench 95A. The back is first drawn.

Pail 95A/2.129, Surface Pail, back removal - levels and location: see plan p.150; Fill: layers of sandy, sandy earth and sand with small amounts of rubble
Pottery: 114 sherds (1.75 kg) Latest Date: historical
Range: MMII, MMIII, LMIA, LMII, LMIII &?
historical?: mostly LMIA?, some, but not too fragmented. No joins.

Inventorised Objects:

Also: shells

When we have finished excavating in the kiln's fire pit down to the level of the floor, we open a new pail to clean around its entrance.

Pail 95A/3.130, Under Pail: 95A/3.111 and 95A/3.114; levels and location: see plan p.150; Location Levels: Fire pit; Fill: loosely compacted blackened earth, small stones, pottery, water soaked only
Pottery: 32 sherds (0.365 kg) Latest Date: LMIA(?)
Range: may be pure LMIA(?) except for possible MMIII C; location, small unit of fragmented individual sherds, mostly all burned

Inventorised Objects:

Also: soil sample sieved - nothing significant

We quickly reach the lining around the entrance leaving two stones forming a possible step within the fire pit, and a step stone immediately outside. Photographs are taken.

Photography: Trench 95A, in with fire pit emptied, showing large piece of pottery and possible steps. From W, colour too
Roll 3, Fr 18 - 18
Pfledwood's same, from S
See photographs p.148

Pail 3.131
Pail 3.130
Pail 2.129

A. Excavations in m ASL
B. Burning
C. Reddish earth and clay
26 July, 1994 (continued)

Now that the fire-pit has been emptied we turned to clearing the kiln flues, beginning with the southernmost whose west end is best preserved. We hope to clarify the existence of a bridge wall separating the pit from the fire chamber and clear up the purpose of the apparent turn of the flue to the south to a possible vent.

**Pail**: 95A/3:131
- Under Pail: surface soil; Levels and Location: see plan p. 150; Location label: Flue 4
- Fill: reddish earth and clay, small stones
- Pottery:

Inventoried Objects:

Also: charcoal

At the area of the "vent", it becomes clear that c. 15 cm down, the flue does not continue but is identified to the others. It appears that we have another oven superimposed over the Flue with its entrance to the south. In this area we find pieces of charcoal which had not previously been found in the kiln. A new pail is opened for this area.

**Pail**: 95A/3:132
- Under Pail: surface soil; Under Flue 4
- Levels and Location: see plan p. 150; Location label: Flue 4
- Fill: reddish earth and clay, pottery washed only
- Pottery: 1 sherd (0.495 kg), possibly LM IA (?)

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Top small for meaningful comment

Inventoried Objects:

Also: pumice

Photography: Trench 95A; southernmost flue of kiln showing west end, pieces of pottery and stones; colour too, Roll 95, Fi 17-19, from E
- Oven? atop Flue 4, wheeled, from S; Roll 95, Fi 20...
Excavation continues with Pail 95A/2:129. In Trench 95A a new pail is opened to remove rubble from the west end of Floc 4. For in the course of cleaning the oven it had become clear that the Floc opened directly into the fire pit; a brick or wall was not present.

**Pail 95A/3:133**; Under-Pail: surface pail under Trench 97B; Levels and Location: see plan p. 154; Location Label: Floc 4
Fill: reddish earth and clay, small stones; pottery; water washed
Pottery: 117 sherds (0.965 kg); Latest Date: LM IA (T)
Rinse: looks pure; LM IA (C); clay piece; with lime
Most sherds coated with lime deposition; many monochrome CC

Inventoried Objects:
- Plaster; soil sample sieved—nothing significant

At the same time we will open a new pail to excavate a strip running parallel to the column bases with the intention of finding the pebble court as a guide for locating the interior hearth floor.

**Pail 95A/3:134**; Under-Pail: 95A/2:45, 2:47, and 2:38; Levels and Location: see plan p. 154; Location Label: NE; Fill: grey/brown earth, some stones, pebbles
Pottery: 146 sherds (1.640 kg); Latest Date: LM II - III
Rinse: MM III, LM IA, LM II - III; mostly MM III
Can join with 95A/137
Partially kiln-damp; red clay pieces over-fired

Inventoried Objects: C 0131 - UP CC type D - MM III
- Plaster

We find immediately a pebbled surface to the north, so extend the pail boundary 0.5m north. The surface is fugitive to the west, but appears to continue to the north and east. A new pail is opened for the east to see if the surface connects to that reached in Trench 87B which is c. 10-12 cm lower. In the meantime another pail is opened to clean the west end of the northern pebble floor.
Photographs - see p. 163

Trench 95A - pebbled surface near eastern column base, from E - see p. 163
Roll 6, Fr. 10 - 12 - see p. 163

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PAI1: 95A/3:135; Under PAI1: 95A/2:63; Levels and location: see plan p. 154; Location label: NE; Fill: reddish earth and clay; small stones; pottery waterwashed only
Pottery: 38 sherds (0.480 kg) Latest Date: LMI IA(z)
Range: LMI IA(1), LMI IA(2); almost pure LMI IA(z)
Unit quite fresh except for few heavily waterwashed M/C up sherds; 1 OJCC type F - LMI IA(1)
Inventoried Objects:

Also: clay pieces, shells, plaster

PAI1: 95A/3:136; Under PAI1: 95A/2:47 and 2:48; Levels and location: see plan p. 154; Location label: NE; Fill: grey/brown earth; very small pieces of stone, plaster, some pebbles; reddish earth and clay
Pottery: 186 pieces (4.620 kg) Latest Date: LMI IA(z)
Range: possibly pure LMI IA(z)
Many large M/C jars, potsherd; sherds are quite worn but not too broken up; 1st fragments, casters
Inventoried Objects:

Also: clay lamp, plaster, shells

We cannot trace the pebbled surface to the east, but instead find small stones and a bit of kiln clay. We decide to open a new PAI 10 to trace the surface to the north.

PAI1: 95A/3:137; Under PAI1: 95A/2:48; Levels and location: see plan p. 154; Location label: NE; Fill: grey brown earth, stones, some pebbles
Pottery: 54 sherds (0.565 kg) Latest Date: LMI IA(z)
Range: may be pure LMI IA(z)
Too small for meaningful comment
Inventoried Objects:

Also: plaster

PAI1: 95A/3:138; Under PAI1: 95A/2:49; Levels and location: see plan p. 154; Location label: NE; Fill: grey brown earth, stones, some pebbles
Pottery: 54 sherds (0.565 kg) Latest Date: LMI IA(z)
Range: may be pure LMI IA(z)
Too small for meaningful comment
Inventoried Objects:

Also: plaster
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The pebbled surface disappears towards the north as well, leaving only the original area. Some of the cobble is removed, but the stones do not seem to be resting on a uniform surface, nor are pebbles in evidence. Since in one small area the pebbled surface extends south to the eastern column base, we open a new pit for a strip south of the column bases to see if the surface extended south of the bases.

Pail: 95A/3:138, Under Pail: 95A/2:47; Levels and Location: see plan p 154; Location Label: NE; Fill: reddish earth and clay, small stones; pottery water washed; Pottery: 121 sherds (0:934 kg); Latest Date: LM IA (2);

Inventoried Objects:

Also: clay piece, plaster

As we move west the distinctive reddish color of the kiln dump decreases. We therefore continue the rest of this area with a separate pit.

Pail: 95A/3:139, Under Pail: 95A/2:47 and 2:38; Levels and Location: see plan p 154; Location Label: NE; Fill: reddish earth and clay, small stones; pottery water washed only; Pottery: 52 sherds (1:100 kg); Latest Date: LM IA (2);

Range: MM III, LM IA (1), LM IA (2);

LM IA is mostly "stannellos" but also kiln dump with few exceptions, quite worn.

Inventoried Objects: C-10130 - UP CC LM IA (1) Type B

Also: plaster

Photography: Trench 95C - western walls of South Stoa and Building T with possible staircases, from NW Roll 6, Fr 1 - 7.

see photographs p 158
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Excavation continues in all 3 Trenches, with primary emphasis in Trench 95A and the search for its floor. A new trial pit is opened to dig the small area east of Trench 95A/3:138.

**Pit: 95A/3:140, Under Pit: 95A/2:147 and 95A/2:139, Levels and Location: see plan p.160, Location Label: NE. Fill: light reddish earth and clay with small stones, some rubble.**

**Pottery:**

Inventoried Objects:

Also: plaster

At this time a new pit is opened for cleaning a very small portion of what appears to be a quite early pebble floor by the new western walls.

**Pit: 95C/2:141, Under Pit: Surface Pit, Levels and Location: see plan p.167, Location Label: SW. Fill: hard packed earth filled throughout with stones, plaster inclusions.**

**Pottery:** 20 sherds (0.300 kg.) Latest Date: LM I


Inventoried Objects:

Also: plaster

A new pit is also opened for cleaning Trench 95B.

**Pit: 95A/3:142, Under Pit: Surface Pit, Under Trench 95B, Levels and Location: see plan p.160, Location Label: Trench 95B. Fill: reddish earth and clay with small stones, some rubble.**

**Pottery:**
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Inventoried Objects:

Also:

Photography: pebbled surface at Trench 95A near eastern column, from E - Roll 6, Fr. 10 - see p. 156. Stones removed from southernmost flute, from S Roll 6, Fr. 11 - see p. 38. Stones removed from 2nd flute from N, from S Roll 6, Fr. 12 - see p. 38.

A new pail is opened to see if the high pebble surface continues to the eastern column at a lower level.

PAIL: 95A/3:143; under Pail: 95A/3:134; Levels and location: see plan p. 140; location label: NE; Fill: light brown/grey earth, very small stones, pebbles, some reddish earth and clay as we move south; water washed only.

Pottery: (see 3:144) 90 sherds (1,000 kg) Latest Date: LMIA(2)

Range: looks pure LMIA(2); many M/C kiln sherd; many sherds heavily worn; several sherds overfired 4 wasters.

Inventoried Objects:

Also: plaster, baked clay.

Once we are south of the column the red "kiln clay" is in evidence, so we open another pail to continue south to the kiln wall.

PAIL: 95A/3:144; under Pail: 95A/3:138; 95A/3:110

Levels and location: see plan p. 140; location label: NE; Fill: reddish earth and clay, small stones; water washed only.

Pottery: accidentally mixed with Pail 3:143 during sorting at apotheca.

Inventoried Objects:

Also: baked clay.
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We now return to trying to find a surface north of the column bases which extends between them. A new pail is opened.

**Pail: 95A/3:145; Under Pail: 95A/3:134**; Levels and Location: see plan p.164; Location Label: NE; Fill: grey/brown earth compacted, with occasional pebbles, very few small stones.

*Pottery:* 72 sherds (1.505 kg); Latest Date: LM III - III ?

*Riace:* MM III, LM II A (2), LM III - III ?; mostly LM IA A (2)

Quite a compact unit of mostly individual sherds; no joins, two vessels may be late.

*Inmotted Objects:*

*Also:* plaster

When no surface is found we make another pass using a new pail.

**Pail: 95A/3:**

*Under Pail: 95A/3:143 and 3:146; Levels and Location: see plan p.164; Location Label: NE; Fill: brown earth with stone pieces, some pebbles.

*Pottery:* 82 sherds (1.345 kg);

*Inmotted Objects:*

*Also:* baked clay, plaster

With this pail we find a layer of small pebbles near the middle column base with an elevation of +2.93 m ASL. This seems to extend to the north but we cannot trace it east. We open a new pail to trace the relationship to the kiln wall.

**Pail: 95A/3:147; Under Pail: 95A/3:144**; Levels and Location: see plan p.164; Location Label: NE; Fill: reddish brown clay atop a surface of brown grey earth.
Pottery:

Inventoryed Objects:

Also: plaster

With this part we seem to have reached the bottom of the real "kiln clay" and perhaps of the kiln dump, although the kiln wall appears to continue down.

Photography: Trench 93A. Abroad: Pottery in kiln flue 2, from E.
- Roll 6, Fr 13: Kiln flue 1, partly excavated with pottery on bottom, from 10, colour 750.
- Roll 6, Fr 14: Kiln flue 2, partly excavated with pottery in situ, from 12, colour too.
- Roll 6, Fr 15: Kiln flue 14, fully excavated with remains of later area, from 13, colour too.

See photographs p. 166.

A very large stone in Trench 93C, which is not in situ but rather on the erosion slope, is flipped over to see if it was used as a lintel. No markings or wear are evident.

Measurements in cm.
Excavation continues, concentrating in Trench 95A and 95C. In Trench 95A a new pail is opened for the small square left at the east of the trench north of the kiln.

PAIL 95A/3:148; Under-pails: 95A/2:47, 95A/2:129, 95A/2:63; Levels and Location: see plan p. 168; Location label: NE, Fill brown/grey earth with some reddish earth and clay, rubble

Pottery:

Inventarioed Objects

Also: plaster

A new pail is opened to renew excavation in Trench 95C between the two western walls where the existence of a staircase is suspected.

PAIL 95C/2:149, Surface Pail; Levels and Location: see plan p. 170; Location label: stairwell; Fill: hard compacted brown earth with pebbles and plaster inclusions

Pottery: 14 sherds (0.180 kg) Latest Date: MMIII

not too worn or fragmented

Inventarioed Objects

Also: plaster

With this pail a small pebbled surface is found at the south end. It is, however, unclear whether the surface reached the walls or whether it was cut into for the walls to be built.

In Trench 95A we now turn our attention to stretching the lower surface of excavation from the column bases south to Wall I.