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9 - March - 2004 Patrick Dresch

FD4-09-008

It is currently raining, but I will try to set up my excavation units so that if it stops, we can start excavating straight away.

I am working at the Northern edge of the Las Cuevas site. I will be excavating a possible wall between two low lying structures on the edge of a slope.

I will start with a small axial (FH) across the feature and then follow it out.

The feature is oriented to 54° , so FH will cut across it perpendicularly at 144° .

I forgot to ask the Str. number so I will put it in my notes when I find out.

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Finished setting up 2 EUs of FH. Structure not yet mapped, so it has no number.

Have cleared surface, starting work @ 8:15. Fog on the mountains, but hopefully it won't rain again.

Will excavate both units at once.

FH/001
EU: FH-1

NW most unit of FH. Excavating 20 cm.

FH/002
EU: FH-2

SE most unit of FH. Excavating 20 cm.

Both units have a lot of grass roots. Top 5 cm damp from rain, but soil is dry underneath.

Soil: Top soil is fine, dark rich brown

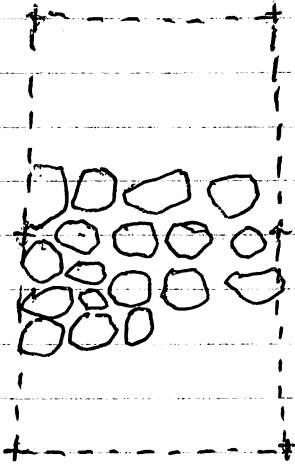
Inclusions: Some sub angular stones $\approx 2\%$

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FH

NW
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FH/001

FH/002

FH/002
EU: FH-2

Finding chert, shreds, bajareque.

FH/001
EU: FH-1

Chert, shreds & BS, but not as much as in FH/002
Will name feature BLOFELD, it seems to face into

FH/001

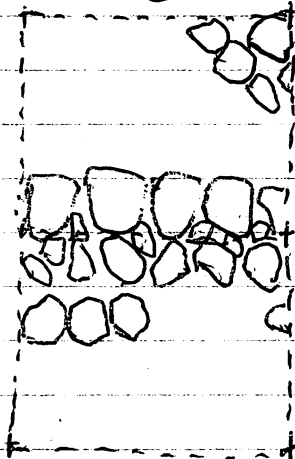
Soil is getting harder with depth

FH/003
EU: FH-1

20-30cm BGS. below FH/001
Soil: Tan grey, very hard

FH/004
EU: FH-2

20-30cm BGS. Below FH/002
Soil: Tan grey, very hard clumps together



@ 20cm BGS
EH

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PO4-03-023

FH/004
EU: FH-2

Finds: Shards, Chert, BS

FH/003
EU: FH-1

Finds: Shards, Chert, BS

BLOFELD seems to stop at 20cm BGS, but there seems to be another feature running underneath it at 30cm BGS.



Have drawn W side for section.

FL/001
EU: FL-1

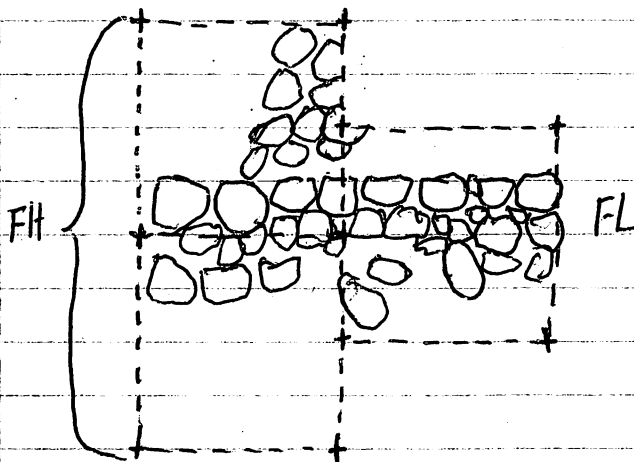
This subop follows BLOFELD to the EAST.
Have returned LAURA's works, and so have another 2 excavating FL. Unfortunately they only have towels

Ø-20cm BGS.

Topsoil: Fine, dark rich brown, ~5% inclusions small angular stones

Some tumble on SE face.

Finds: Shards, BS.



11-March-2004

Patrick Dresch

PD4-08-084

Started work at 8 am. Fog in the valley, and cloudy sky but it will probably burn off pretty soon.

There was a dead cow on the way to the site (#186), hopefully it won't turn up in a trench later in the week.

Starting work by cleaning up FL/001. I have tried to explain to the workers not to stab into the ground with the trowel, but to scrape. The worst offender has chosen to ignore my sage advice and continues to hack away. Have tried again to explain that he might break the trowel, since telling him that he was just breaking sherds didn't seem to work.

FL/001
EU:FL-1

A lot of cleaning has to be done in between the stones of BLOFELD.

Sherds are coming out from between the stones, and an obsidian blade.

There is a clear layer of soil and sherds under BLOFELD, but there is a possibility that this sits on top of another feature. Since I have limited time, I will have to ask Pat if she is more interested in finding out where BLOFELD goes or what it sits on top of.

Finds: Chert, BS, Sherds, Obsidian (2 bags 10 March & 11 M)

FL/002
EU:FL-2

Following BLOFELD to the East.

Topsoil, \varnothing - 20cm BS. Lots of plant roots.

Soil: Dry, fine, hard, dark grey brown. \approx 2% small angular pebbles.

FL/003
EU:FL-3

Tom had 2 more workers that needed to work, so I'm having them BLOFELD to the West.

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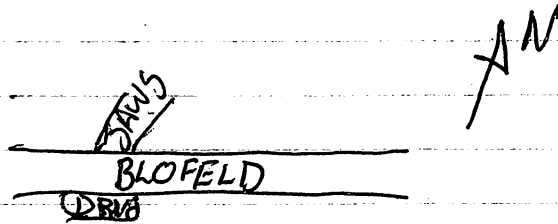
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FL/003
EU:FL-3

Topsoil: 0-20cm BGs

Roots, fine dark grey brown, hard \approx 5% angular pebbles

There ~~is~~ may be a feature running ^{directly} under BLOFELD and which I will name DR. NO and one running under BLOFELD from the NE, named JAWS.



FL/003
EU:FL-3

A clay bead has been found, along with sherds.
Finds: Sherds, Chert, Obsidian, BS

FL/002
EU:FL-2

I think we've come to the East corner of BLOFELD. It looks like there may be another feature heading South from the corner, ~~etc~~ and it looks less likely to be a retaining wall.

FL/004
EU:FL-4

Following BLOFELD WEST. This lot is in the unit WEST of FL/003.

Topsoil: 0-20cm BGs
Soil: Hard, fine, roots, dark brown \approx 2% subangular pebbles.

FL/005
EU-NONE

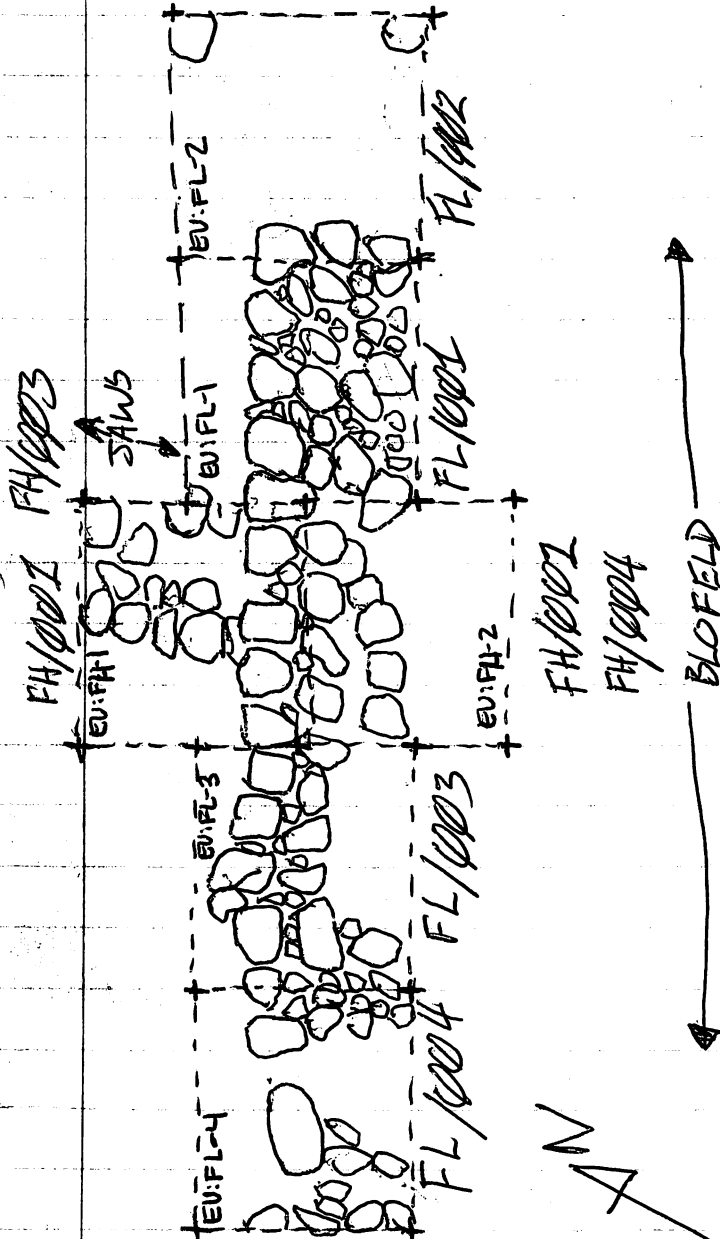
Surface collection.

Pat found a stone that may have been used for polishing next to sub Op FL.

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P04-03-06



↑DR.NO→

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P04-08-087

Starting work at 8am.

Clear blue sky, light breeze.

Six workers.

Will work until lunch, and then clean the trenches and take pictures.

Following East corner of BLOFELD South.

Looking for West limit of BLOFELD.

Will follow JAWS North.

FL/006
EV:FL-5

Topsoil: 0-20cm BGS

Roots, dark rich brown $\approx 5\%$ angular inclusions

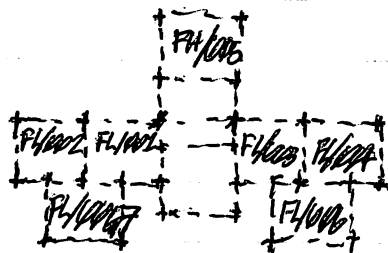
Following corner to South. (BLOFELD/GOLDFINGER)

FL/006 is South of FL/001 & ~~FL/004~~ FL/002

FH/005
EV:FH-3

Topsoil: 0-30cm BGS. Following JAWS to North.

Roots, dark rich brown $\approx 2\%$ sub-angular inclusions.



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FL/004
EV:FL-4

May have found West corner of BLOFELD, but I think there is tumble up against it from a structure to the West. So I am putting another EV. to the South to see if there is another feature coming to meet it.

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PD4-08-088

FL/007
EU:FL-6

Topsoil: 0-20cm BGs
FL/007 is South from FL/004
Roots, Dark rich brown grey

2 more workers from Andrew

FH/006
EU:FH-2

30-40cm BGs trying to uncover base of DR. NO
Soil: Brown Grey, very hard, ~~always~~ high clay content.
≈ 2% sub-angular inclusions. Finds: ~~BS~~, Shards, Chert, Obsidian

FH/005
EU:FH-3

Found an ear spool.
Shards, BS, Chert, Obsidian 3 bags

FL/007
EU:FL-6

Finds: Shards, BS, Obsidian, Chert

FL/006
EU:FL-5

Shards, BS, ~~BS~~ Obsidian, Chert

FL/008
EU:FL-7

Topsoil: 0-20cm BGs
FL/008 is S of FL/006 Follows GOLDFINGER South
Soil: Roots, Dark ~~black~~^{grey}, hard, fine

FL/009
EU:FL-8

Topsoil: 0-20cm BGs
FL/009 is S of FL/006 Follows SPECTRE South
Soil: Dark grey, roots, hard, fine

FL/010
EU:FL-9

Topsoil: 0-20cm BGs
FL/010 is East of FL/006 looking for inner corner of ~~WOLF~~ ASPECTRE
Soil: Dark grey, roots, hard, fine

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PC4-03-09

FH/007
EU:FH-4

Topsoil: 0-20cm BGS. Uncovering West side of JAWS
Roots, Dark Grey, hard, fine soil.

BLOFELD: runs roughly East-West. It is roughly ~~2~~ 4m long, one course high, and varies between 2 & 3 courses thick. It faces roughly North, and is made up of a combination of rounded and shaped cobbles (mainly basalt, but some lime stone).

BLOFELD has a corner cut at its Western limit with SPECTRE and at its Eastern limit with GOLDFINGER. JAWS runs underneath BLOFELD at roughly the midpoint of its length. DR. NO may be the Southern end of JAWS or it may run parallel to BLOFELD at a greater depth.

GOLDFINGER: runs roughly North-South meeting BLOFELD at its Eastern end. 1 course high and at least 2 thick. Same composition as BLOFELD.

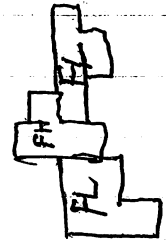
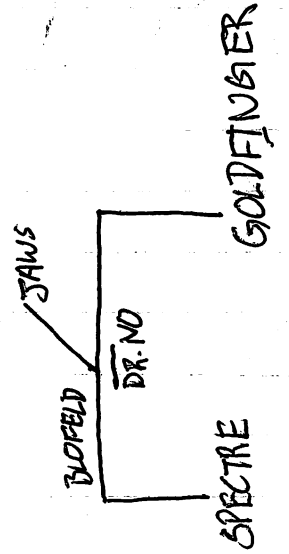
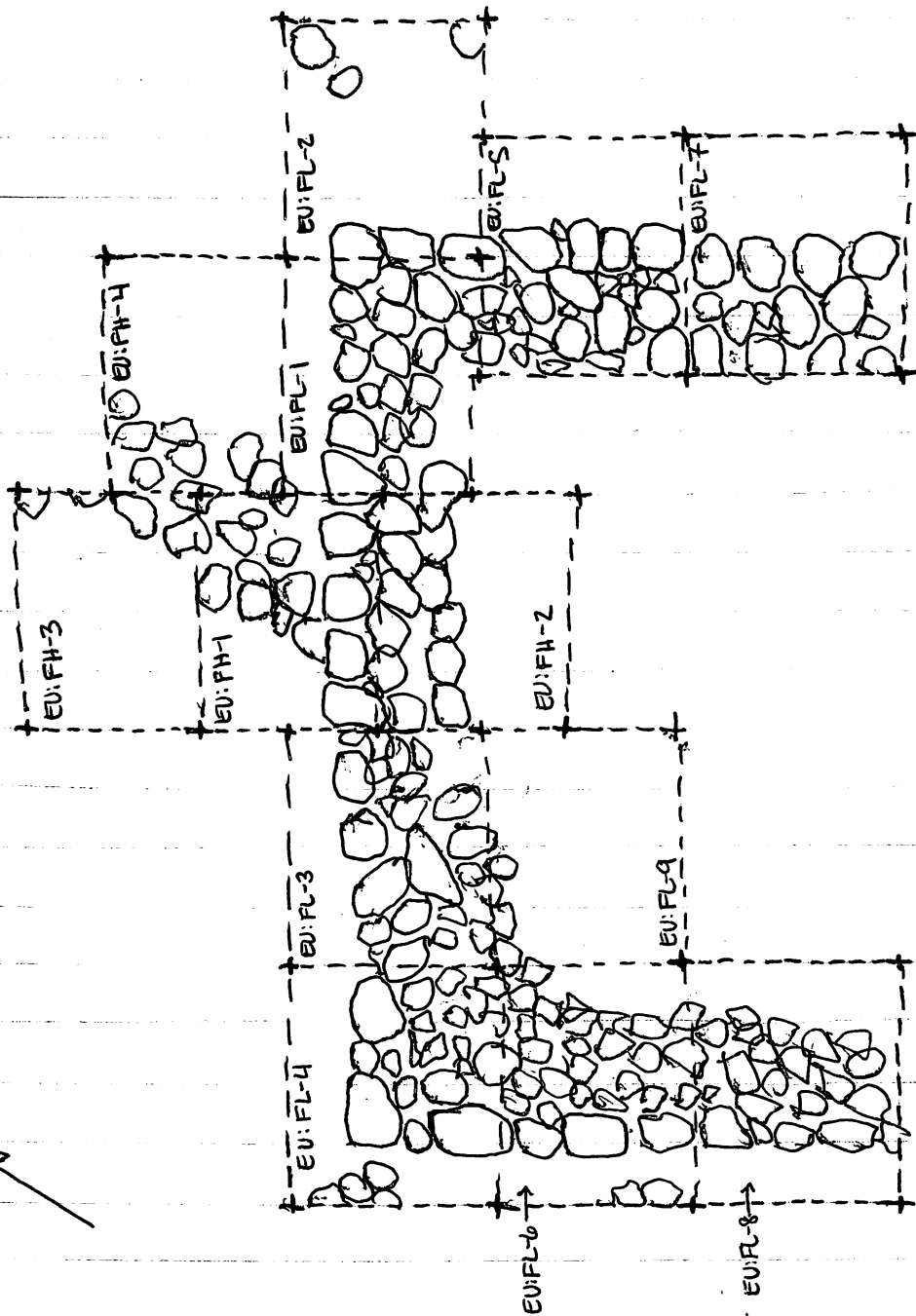
SPECTRE: runs roughly North-South meeting BLOFELD at its Western end. Similar composition, but also some larger boulders.

DR. NO: is only 2 stones long running East-West. There is \approx 10cm of soil between it and BLOFELD, which runs above it.

JAWS: runs roughly NW-SE, it is not as tightly built as the other features and has more irregularly shaped pebbles & boulders. It runs under BLOFELD, with \approx 5-10cm of soil & shreds separating them.

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PC04-08-11

FL/008
EVI:FL-7

Shards, BS, Obsidian, Chert

FL/009
EVI:FL-8

(3 bags) Shards,

FL/10
EVI:FL-9

(2 bags) Shards, BS, Obsidian, Chert

FL/007
EVI:FL-4

(2 bags) Shards, BS, Obsidian, Chert