

Mystery rings in cornfields

SIR — With reference to your report on July 14 you may be interested to learn that the field of oats in Grove Lane that had a three-metre circle of flattened but unbroken cornstalks a month ago has now been harvested and I have only my photo to confirm this strange phenomenon.

The member of your staff who returned my telephone call made to your answering machine on the previous Sunday morning, when I first noticed the patch with its swirl of stalks, seemed oddly keen to have me agree that a 'Saxon' settlement might be beneath it.

That may account for such patterns that are now found worldwide but I doubt it very much. The ancient Angles of East Anglia and the Anglo-Danes were not noted for round dwellings. The thorough investigations by Delgado and Andrews recently published as 'CIRCULAR EVIDENCE' reveal through many coloured photographs how extensive these strange phenomena are and how many years of careful research have so far failed to explain their cause.

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PS: Glad you spelt my name right! It had only one 'l' in the Anglo-Saxon Chronicle at the year 910.

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