



Crop mystery

CIRCLE work has taken on a whole new meaning in the tiny central Victorian town of Tandara.

Rather than utes raising dust, something or someone has been flattening wheat, creating the world's latest crop circle mystery 45km north of Bendigo.

Twenty of the circles were discovered last Wednesday by farmer Don White, who described them as two metres in diameter, with the grain stalks bent over in an anti-clockwise direction.

With no tracks leading to or from the circles, Mr White is scratching his head. "Aliens, flying saucers, even Osama bin Laden have been suggested," Mr White said.

The Australian Skeptics Society believes there is little more to the mystery than a man, a piece of string and a flat board.

"Why would aliens do this? There would have to be better ways to communicate," Dr Steven Roberts said.

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Dumbfounded: farmer Don White and a circle.

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