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### Re: Crop Circle Characteristics - 'Real' vs. Fake

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>Date: Thu, 3 Jun 1999 09:30:14 -0400  
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>>I don't know who, if anyone, has any written reports, full or  
>>partial, from these four. I suppose Colin Andrews or other  
>>British crop-formation investigators would be the ones to  
>>contact on that.

>Noye's book claimed that Andrews and Delgado ignored these  
>reports as they were daytime sightings, and they were trying to  
>prove that formations only appeared at night. So much for  
>objective research!

Yes, that's what Meaden said there. If true, that's almost as  
bad as those ufologists who automatically ignore reports and  
evidence from those claiming to be contactees, because they're  
not abductees!

>Given that a few of the oil-seed rape formations this year seem  
>to refer to the solar eclipse in August, do you think the aliens  
>are going to present themselves?

Well, like Clinton, I would need to know what you mean by  
"present." They have of course already presented themselves to  
thousands of abductees and to the legitimate contactees. But  
they've left only meager evidence behind. So perhaps what you  
mean is, will they do so (in August), this time leaving all  
kinds of irrefutable evidence behind? I doubt it; their  
escalation in degree of firmness and abundance of evidence seems  
to be growing only gradually over the years.

>Or what other meaning do you think the formations have?

Your guess may be as good as mine; I think they have the same  
educational purposes as the rest of the crop circles and  
formations have had, and which likewise the UFO sightings and  
contacts have had.

>>Here's one for you to ponder, since you have Noyes' (editor)  
>>\_The Crop Circle Enigma\_. Go to p. 22 of that book and you'll  
>>see diagrams made by Terence Meaden and Colin Andrews of the  
>>crop circle of 1 Aug. '86 at Headbourne Worthy, Hampshire. It

>>was a two-layer system, with an underlayer swirled one way and  
>>an upper layer above it, covering it, swirled such that the lay  
>>of the [upper-layer] stems was at right angles to that of the  
>>layer just underneath. The diagrams depict the direction of the  
>>respective swirls. The photograph of it is shown on p. 36 of  
>>\_Circular Evidence\_ by Delgado & Andrews.

>Thanks, I'll definitely check that out.

>>You won't find any crop-circle naysayer talking about this one,  
>>or speculating on how it could have been hoaxed, or trying to  
>>demonstrate how it might be hoaxed. That's because it's pretty  
>>mind-boggling just to wonder about. You have to imagine that  
>>somehow every other crop stem out of the many thousands was  
>>first bent over (without breaking the stems) in one direction of  
>>swirl while the remaining stems all around stood intact. Then,  
>>these intact stems were bent over with a swirl at right angles  
>>to the swirl given to the other stems.

>Have you asked any circle makers how this could be done?

No, I don't know Doug and Dave's address. I do know that one usually receives only silence or a change of subject upon posing the question to skeptics. So I'll stay tuned for any idea you put forth on how it could be feasibly accomplished for a circle as large as 57 feet in diameter. It was probably no accident that the upper-layer circle of swirled stems did not entirely cover the under layer at the circumference -- if they had, the lower lower might not have been discovered.

>If those signs are to be taken seriously surely they should  
>appear in oil-seed rape as you claim they are alien made?

I haven't kept up on it in enough detail, Tony, to know. I would not assume that the tests haven't been made by Levingood on stems from oil-seed rape crop circles.

>You'll find that crop bent at different heights is just a  
>natural effect, I gather you saw the program 'Secrets of Crop  
>Circles'.

No, I didn't see that. I was referring to certain crop-circle reports wherein the stems within a given formation were all bent over at the \*same\* approximate height, like 1" or 2" or 4" above the ground, as opposed to the usual 1/4" or so, which trampling on it can try to simulate.

>Can you name any crop circle maker that has been caught at all?

I haven't kept track of the names of any of the admitted hoaxers other than the first names Doug & Dave. I was referring to those hundreds of crop circles over the years that have been astounding in their size, complexity, creative design, bending-over of the stems with minimal breakage, and other features such as braiding.

Their makers were never caught, whereas common sense dictates that if humans had done them, a substantial percentage would have been caught in the act, and/or have left tell-tale signs behind.

Jim Deardorff

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