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UpDate: Re: Crop Circles: A Plea For Sanity - Henry

From: Joel Henry <jhenry@visi.com>
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Subject: UpDate: Re: Crop Circles: A Plea For Sanity - Henry

>Date: Thu, 10 Aug 2000 23:19:07 +0100
>From: Jenny Randles <nufon@currantbun.com>
>Subject: Crop Circles: A Plea For Sanity
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>Crop Circles: A plea for sanity

>This week the British media, via several TV reports, national
>news, major newspaper articles and ongoing hype have revived the
>long flagging field of crop circle research through coverage
>that puts this 'mystery' into the context of UFOs and aliens.

>Indeed in the Daily Mail (10 August 2000) the noted author Colin
>Wilson pens an article 'Why I still believe that aliens created
>crop circles' and includes with it an image of a 'grey' being
>from an alien abduction book to cement the relationship in the
>public imagination.

>UFOIN (the UFO Investigators Network) has in its team many of
>the pioneer researchers within this field. Chris Rutkowski, who
>investigated Canadian circles long before they appeared in the
>UK, Ian Mrzyglod and Marty Moffat, from the only UFO
>investigation team to study the earliest discovered British
>circles (1980) and Paul Fuller and Jenny Randles, who produced
>the first ever circle evidence publication and (with Mike
>Wootten - our web site designer) arranged the first conference
>in 1985. They also co-authored the book 'Crop Circles: A Mystery
>Solved' in 1990 and were the only UFOlogists invited to attend
>the one scientific conference ever held to debate circles (in
>Oxford) and that involved scientists from Europe, Asia and
>America (its proceedings being published in 1991)

>Given this extensive collective background and a probably unique
>track record of association UFOIN has decided to issue a
>statement on the matter.

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Are you aware of the scientific studies and anomalous material,
etc. uncovered by the BLT team (<http://www.bltresearch.net>)
here in the US? There is clearly a third source of crop circles
(a small number) that cannot be explained away by your 2 causes.
I agree that the majority are hoaxes and a few are natural, but
that still leaves those cases that defy prosaic explanation. I
have seen one personally here in Minnesota that displays many
anomalous elements. Details and full analysis can be had from:

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There are records of crop circles here in the US that date back to the 60's and 70's. Most of these are "landing site" types, some with burn marks and deep indentations from a very heavy object. You are doing the same injustice to crop circles that Blue Book did to UFO's when they totally ignored the over 700 unexplained cases in their files. Whitewash doesn't cut it anymore.

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