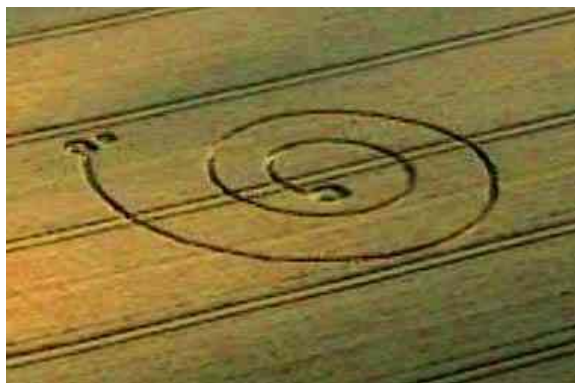




More Mid-August 1999 Crop Formations in Wiltshire, England

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August 15, 1999 Stanton St. Bernard, Wiltshire County, England Today I joined photographer Peter Sorensen at new formations in wheat that were discovered August 14th. These can be seen clearly only from the air. On the ground or from the car on the road, the large spiral and Celtic knot with side "signature" are barely visible.



Spiral discovered in Stanton St. Bernard, Wiltshire, wheat near Celtic Knot on August 14, 1999, in same field as the earlier June 23 pictogram. Aerial Photograph © 1999 by Peter Sorensen.



Celtic Knot aerial videograph retouched by photographer Peter Sorensen on computer to remove tramlines so pattern can be seen more easily. Aerial videograph © 1999 by Peter Sorensen.

As we approached the spiral first, the downed wheat formed a narrow corridor not more than four feet wide that wound several hundred feet into a beautiful coiled center from which other wheat plants stood upright, almost like a crown at the end of the flattened corridor. In downed wheat along the edges, we found softened and stretched growth nodes - one of the biophysical changes that have been noticed in unusual formations since the early 1990's.

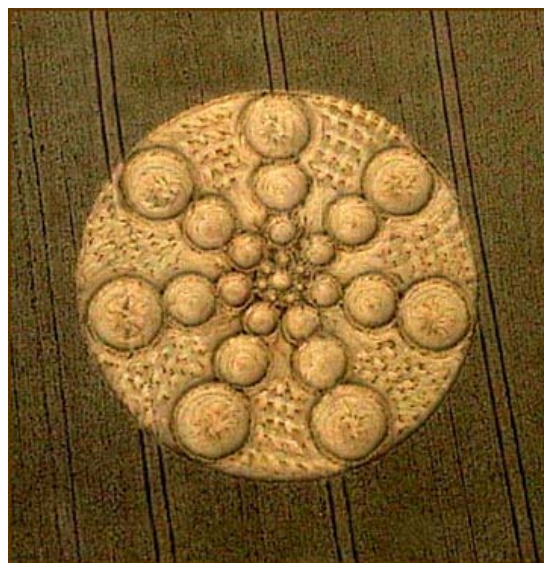
Then we moved into the tramline to walk several more yards to an amazing

"Celtic knot" made of wheat stems laid down in many layers, some crossing at ninety degree angles, others laying 180 degrees from each other like hair parted down the middle. The complex pattern also contained softened and stretched growth nodes. Peter Sorensen used his computer graphic tools to remove the tramlines in the Celtic Knot so that its pattern could be seen more easily.

A few yards away was a large, flat circle with a curled tail and a small "grape shot" outside. That circle and curled tail "signature," as researchers call it, is very similar to a signature that emerged in 1992. This year of 1999, other signatures have been found outside formations, including nearly identical small and delicate patterns at Cherhill and Liddington Castle.

On August 12th, the day after the total solar eclipse, four large rings were found directly west of Liddington Castle near Swindon. The two central rings overlap, forming a vesica pisces symbol.

The most astonishing formation in August so far is known as the "Basket" because of its intricate weaving. Discovered on August 4th after several of us saw mysterious blue lights from Woodborough Hill and Alton Barnes, the basket's inner circles form seven arms that are reminiscent of the very large formation discovered the morning of July 31st at Roundway Hill. Roundway is immediately on the other side of the hill from the new basket pattern and the two locations are in a straight line with Silbury Hill and Avebury. Roundway Hill had seven "petals" alternately separated by seven circles. John Williams and Alan March of Harlow, Essex who found Roundway were first afraid to enter because there was so much loud, snapping electrostatic energy coming from the wheat plants. See my earlier August 1, 1999 report.



"Basket" wheat formation discovered in the early morning of August 6, 1999 at Bishops Cannings before the farmer erased it entirely with his tractor against all pleas to temporarily save it. 46.3 meters (152 feet) diameter. Aerial videograph in which tramlines were removed on digital image © 1999 by Peter Sorensen.

Please note that Peter Sorensen used his computer graphic tools on this videotape frame, not 35mm photographic print, to remove the tramlines in the Basket so that its pattern could be seen more easily. The "Basket" shows a unique woven lay around a seven-armed design that none of us have ever seen before. Tragically, the farmer was enraged that "vandals knocked down my wheat," and drove his harvester straight into the beautiful formation and completely erased it before those of us on the ground got there. However, German photographer

Ulrich Kox was photographing from an airplane at the time and managed to get the only 35mm and video frames that exist. The photograph displayed in this story is courtesy Peter Sorensen's videotape. Ulrich was running Peter's video camera at the time as a favor while Ulrich photographed with his 35mm camera.

Since returning to Philadelphia on the evening of August 16th, I have learned that another simple circle was found that morning in the wheat field directly across the road from Silbury Hill where at least half a dozen formations focused this year. Since the first of August in Wiltshire, there has been so much rain that some harvesting has been delayed and we all wonder if the circlemakers will yet try to remake their intricate basket this year or next year?

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