

The Summer Crop Circle Lectures 2008

Saturday 2nd & Sunday 3rd August 2008

The Assembly Room, Town Hall, Devizes, Wiltshire, UK

Doors open Saturday 10.00am



Barbury Castle, 1st June 2008

Photo: Steve Alexander

COMPLIMENTARY PROGRAMME

Welcome to the Summer Crop Circle Lectures 2008

Karen, Steve and I would like to welcome you all to the fourth Summer Crop circle Lectures in Devizes. We are very proud that this event has so quickly become a reliable, informative, but above all enjoyable part of the crop circle season. From the start we held several intentions. First, we appreciated the advantages of Devizes' proximity to the centre of the phenomenon and the beauty of its Town Hall. Second, we wanted to time the event to coincide with the season's high-point. Third, we were determined to design a programme which, year by year, would concentrate clearly on the Crop Circles themselves. Above all, we wanted it to be fun! This year, as you will see, we have added some new features. The ever-popular Speakers Supper remains but now we also have a coach tour, a night watch and a hands-on seminar with Robin Heath at Avebury. We are pleased to welcome you. We hope you have a wonderful time and we look forward to your company.

Michael Glickman

Quick note about Refreshments

The Town Hall catering staff provide all refreshments served on the premises and they will make a small charge of £1.00 for a cup of tea or coffee, or £1.30 if you would prefer it with biscuits. Available at refreshment breaks.

Introducing Our Speakers... Saturday 2nd August

Michael Glickman is a much-loved, respected and influential figure of the crop circle community, whose work on the geometry and interpretation of the crop circles has spanned over 16 years. A former architect and teacher, he is now a renowned and inspirational speaker and writer; he has long occupied a central space at the heart of research into this phenomenon. Michael has written many articles on the crop circles. His book, **Crop Circles** (published by Wooden Books), is now in its third revised edition and his recent book **Cornography**, was published in 2007. Michael's regular crop circle blog '**Wheat from the Chaff**' can be read at www.temporarytemples.co.uk

***Presentation: Squaring the Circle, Cubing the Sphere:** Less and less is certain. We are able only to work through conjecture and hypothesis. Under these circumstances the symbol and the symbolic seem increasingly useful in our understanding of the circles. Intuitively for some years I have pursued the multiple meanings of squareness and circularity and, in particular, the enigma of the Squaring of the Circle. Many sense the dimensional shift though few are able to explain it. Would it not be poetic if the crop fields were echoing this dimensional ascent for us by raising the ordinary square to cube and the simple circle to sphere? And they seem to be doing this!*

Ross Holcomb is a metaphysical consultant living with his wife, Meredith, in Hood River, Oregon, USA. He has been studying crop circles for the past 20 years and visiting the formations in England for the past seven summers. His formal education includes degrees in Applied Science and National Security Affairs while his informal education has focused on the deepest answers to the persistent questions of life, the universe, and everything. Ross' work includes teaching, facilitating workshops, writing, counselling, energy healing, and all manners of assisting groups and individuals on their path of spiritual unfoldment. www.energy-works.com

***Presentation: Crop Circles and the Great Shift:** Does the world around you appear to be falling apart at the seams? Is your "apple cart" constantly threatening to tip over? If your answers to these questions are yes, then you are in line with most of the population today and comfortably on track. Our world is in the midst of an unprecedented energetic shift, which not only includes the physical earth, but human consciousness as well. There are many indications that this "Great Shift" is underway and crop circles appearing around the globe each summer are just one of the mysterious phenomena manifesting in conjunction with this miraculous time. This talk spells out several indications that the shift is upon us and how the beautiful and mysterious phenomenon of crop circles is directly connected.*

Hugh Newman is a crop circle and earth mysteries researcher and writes for various magazines and publications. His forthcoming book *Earth Grids* is due for release in October 2008. He organises the Megalithomania conferences www.megalithomania.co.uk with John Martineau and Gareth Mills, co-edits *Avalon Rising* magazine www.avalonrising.co.uk and is the Earth Energies & Divinatory Arts area co-ordinator for the Big Green Gathering www.big-green-gathering.com where 20,000 regularly attend. He has studied Naturopathic Nutrition and alternative therapies and runs a nutrition/superfoods distribution company. He has spoken at conferences in the UK, Malta and South America, is an honorary member of The Antiquarian Society, and lectures on the aforementioned subjects. His two favourite subjects, nutrition and megaliths have at last come together in his new research on stone age survival techniques and the link to earth energies. See also Hugh's web site: www.newhuman.co.uk

***Presentation: Stone Age Survival: Earth Energies, Crop Circles & Secrets of the Stones.** Scientific research of crop circles has helped unlock how the ancients used earth mounds, big stones and magnetic earth energy currents to enhance seeds, promote fertility and re-mineralise their food. With dowsing, the ancients could even locate underground water, test for poisonous foods and locate magnetic and telluric lines of energy. Stone circles and dolmens acted as electrifiers to enhance seed quality and yield, and even helped keep us humans fertile, as many of the global legends state. There is new evidence that agriculture succeeded soon after the construction of megalithic sites. Is there a connection and do we need this knowledge today? Hugh will also be looking at sites from his recent trips to Peru & Malta with evidence that this knowledge was a global post-flood phenomenon.*

Dan Vidler is a teacher, ardent crop circle enthusiast, photographer and webmaster of www.ukcropcircles.co.uk, documenting the interiors and ground details of the crop circles. "I am not looking for answers, nor am I hoping to discover the truth, whatever that means, about this amazing phenomenon. I totally believe in the mystery surrounding these incredible events in our fields each summer and my intention is to balance this with fact, where it is possible to find it. By looking in detail at the quality of laid stems or noticing an underlying pathway of a couple of stems width, I think it is possible to add to the brilliance of what is a very big picture. Communication between us all is essential in developing this picture, however far we all have to go!"

***Presentation: What do you see?** Laid stems, in one direction, then another. An impossible array of wide and narrow pathways, curving, weaving, criss-crossing, spiralling, stretching beyond the rise of the field where you stand. People, walking, talking, laughing, sitting, sleeping, crouching and thinking, about what? Single stems standing alone and then they draw you closer, a bend, a twist, a few stems an inch higher than the others that catch your eye. An hour passes, sometimes more. As you leave the spring in your step is the buzz in your head as you contemplate what feel like answers but are really questions. It seems impossible but it is real. What do you see? Dan takes us in and around the finer details of the 2008 crop circles.*

Ian C Baillie PhD, is an educator developing new perceptions of Science, Art and Consciousness. He has pursued a full time career in education working as both a scientist and a teacher. A near death brush with cancer in 1979 radically changed his perception of life, but led directly to an exploration into the true nature of consciousness, time and space. In 1999 he was awarded a Doctorate in Quantum Physics for his work in demonstrating the survival of memory over mortality. He has recently discovered the synchronicity of physical time with past life patterns.

***Presentation: Lords of the Ring:** The crop circle phenomenon continues to intrigue and mystify. Are they accelerating the evolution of our consciousness and are they making us more aware so that we are able to access memories built up over many millennia with precise clarity and stunning accuracy? As the crop circle 'family' are drawn together each year in Wiltshire to experience the beautiful formations, Ian, a crop circle enthusiast shows, through extraordinary evidence, that many of us are 'remembering' and 'reawakening' to the fact that we are time travellers and are being reunited with each other over many lifetimes.*

Barbara Lamb is a long time crop circle researcher and educator since 1990. This is her 18th consecutive year of crop circle research here in England. She enlightens people about crop circles and about the extraterrestrial contact phenomenon through presentations in the U.S., England, and other countries. She has presented at conferences and Symposia all over the world. Barbara is a psychotherapist, hypnotherapist and regression therapist in Claremont, California. Her speciality is regressing people to experiences they have had with non-physical beings/intelligences. She is co-author of the book *Crop Circles Revealed: Language of the Light Symbols* and is also co-author of the new book *Alien Experiences*. www.cropcircleworld.com

Presentation: Crop Circles: Delightfully stepping up our consciousness: Crop circles are having many influences on us, both known and unknown. Besides intriguing us with their mystery, delighting us in their beauty, and enhancing our energy, crop circles are stimulating our consciousness and facilitating our access to higher dimensions. They trigger awareness of higher-dimensional intelligence and beings who are meticulously placing these advanced symbols in our fields to ponder. Barbara Lamb will show visual examples of crop circles which especially facilitate our evolving in consciousness. She will discuss some of the advanced concepts which they imply.

Robin Heath is an independent researcher into ancient wisdom, specialising in archaeoastronomy and megalithic culture. He has written nine books on this and allied subjects, including the best selling **Sun Moon & Stonehenge: Proof of High Culture in Ancient Britain**, **Power Points: Secret Rulers & Hidden Forces in the Landscape** and **Alexander Thom: Cracking the Stone Age Code**. In a varied career Robin has enjoyed being a research scientist in computer chips, a marketing manager in electronics, a senior lecturer in mathematics and engineering and head of department in a college of further education. In 1990 he left the secure pensionable world and took up the career he enjoys now. However, since 1974 he has also been practicing as an astrologer and is a highly regarded and formidable practitioner who has taught in all the leading schools of astrology in the UK and been the editor of the international *Astrological Association Journal*. In a delicious irony, he left Hampshire in 1983, just prior to the first appearances of crop circles, to live in on the coast in West Wales. In 2005 he was asked to put together an MA degree course in Archaeoastronomy at St David's University College, which was subsequently nipped in the bud by outside forces, despite having 12 paying students wishing to enroll! A little known fact is that Robin plays a *very* mean blues piano and restores pianolas. Other hobbies are his motorcycle and sailing. He also undertakes tours to megalithic and sacred sites. www.skyandlandscape.com

Presentation: Safety First or Safety Last? Meeting and coping with the unknown: How does an individual or a culture cope with evidence that forces new ideas or brings about a radical change? The crop circle phenomenon provides us with a perfect backdrop to investigate the social effects of change and Robin will go backstage to introduce us to the cast in the long-running play about crop circles, and then shows that the very same type of play and actors are also to be found in the study of prehistoric astronomy, serious investigation into astrological effects, and the 60 year farce that has become known as UFO research. Illustrated, witty, psychological, funny. 'Missable' [Nature] 'Unmissable' [Nexus].

Keynote Speaker: Nancy Talbot is President of the BLT Research Team Inc., a non-profit, tax-exempt US corporation formed to scientifically evaluate physical evidence recovered in connection with a range of so-called "paranormal" phenomena, with a particular interest in crop circles. In the early years (1992-2001) Nancy worked with Michigan biophysicist Wm. C. Levengood and NY businessman John Burke and the group became known as the "BLT" Research Team, during which time they published 3 papers in the scientific literature - still the only peer-reviewed data on that subject currently available. Nancy is co-author of the paper, "Dispersion of energies in worldwide crop formations," *Physiologia Plantarum* (1999). Since 2000 the BLT Team has included multiple new scientific consultants. An x-ray diffraction study, funded by Lawrence Rockefeller and led by prominent Dartmouth College geologist and mineralogist, Dr. Robert C. Reynolds, Jr., documented increases in crystallinity in clay minerals in crop circle soils - an important corroboration of the

presence of unknown energies at crop circle sites. BLT consultants have also produced unambiguous data in several UFO “trace” cases, as well as conclusively identifying the presence of pure bovine hemoglobin at multiple unusual cattle-deaths, thus contributing to the factual basis which argues for serious consideration that unknown forces or energies are both present and are affecting our immediate physical environment. Nancy lectures internationally and has appeared in numerous TV productions about crop circles and other anomalous phenomena. www.blresearch.com

Presentation: New Evidence that Crop Circles are Connected to Other “Paranormal” Phenomena: *Increasingly bizarre and diverse events - which have been authenticated and/or witnessed first-hand by Nancy over 10 years in multiple cases in the U.S. and Europe, but particularly with Robbert van den Broeke in Holland - will be presented and discussed. The evidence that the crop circle phenomenon is closely associated in a number of cases with other anomalous phenomena includes instances of so-called poltergeist events, out-of-body experiences, remote-viewing, increasingly bizarre photographic phenomena, ET and UFO encounters, interaction with and photographic documentation of “spirits,” and psychic healing - all intertwined with crop circles. These well-documented events illustrate the need for a more profound grasp of the laws of Nature and, particularly, of the system we call “consciousness,” with its apparently massive potential to re-shape the experience that most of us recognise as “reality.”*

Sunday 3rd August

Karen Alexander has for many years brought a gentle and introspective touch to researching the crop circles. A respected and influential speaker and writer, her work seamlessly fuses sacred art, spirituality, psychology and philosophy - the scholarly and the intuitive. Karen is perhaps best known as the writer behind the **Crop Circle Year Books (1999 - 2007)** and **Crop Circles: Signs, Wonders & Mysteries, Arcturus 2006**. Karen is currently working on a follow-up to this book due for release 2008/09. www.temporarytemples.co.uk

Presentation: Crop Circles: Gateways to other Dimensions: *The crop circles have followed a progressive unfolding of geometric forms and principles over many years, but what might be the meaning, or reasoning behind employing such imagery? How might this progression tie-in with the unfolding of our own internal spacial awareness. Karen will explore a fascinating psychological theory which equates leaps in human perception and spacial awareness with the evolution of consciousness itself. And will ask if crop circles are both herald and symptom of the fact that there is about to be another such leap in consciousness giving access to other dimensions and a deeper understanding of the sophistication of space.*

Andreas Müller started his crop circle research in 1993 and since then has been continuously researching, investigating and documenting the phenomenon not only from his desk, but also with extensive work in the fields with a focus on England and Germany. He is the founder of ‘ICCA - The International Crop Circle Archive’ one of the world’s most comprehensive databases on the subject. As a trained and qualified graphic designer he is also recognized for his detailed crop circle diagrams and survey graphics. Andreas is author of two German books on crop circles and is a regular consultant for press, radio and television. Andreas also runs a bi-lingual crop circle website: www.cropcirclescience.org

Presentation: What happens when Crop Circles Form? *One of the most asked questions about crop circles is ‘How does it happen?’. Besides the much debated ‘Oliver’s Castle Footage’ no one so far has actually been able to document the forming of a genuine crop circle on camera. However, there are in fact dozens of eyewitness accounts of this mysterious occurrence. By examining all these accounts together we get our closest glimpse yet of this enigmatic phenomenon at work. In his presentation Andreas will share some of the most interesting cases that he has compiled as part of his ongoing work for his forthcoming book that will compile and explore all such available accounts.*

Andrew Collins is a science and history writer, and the author of several books that challenge the way we see the relationship between the stars, the landscape and the human mind. They include **The Cygnus Mystery** (2006), as well as two crop circle books - **The Circlemakers** (1992) and **Alien Energy** (2004). For more information on Andrew and his work go to his website at www.andrewcollins.com

***Presentation: Cygnus and the Crop Circle Mystery - the Key to 2012:** In the early 1980s underground facilities around the world began picking up a signal from deep space. It came in a cycle of every 4.8 hours. Scientists quickly realised it was caused by unique cosmic rays coming from a distant star system called Cygnus X-3, in the constellation of the Swan, known also as the Northern Cross. So strange were these particles that they were given their own name Cygnets - meaning 'children of the swan'. In the deepest caves Palaeolithic cave artists depicted the Cygnus constellation 17,000 years ago, and all around the world ancient and sacred sites are aligned to its stars, and now crop circles are reflecting its design and contact is being claimed with alien intelligences from Cygnus. Why is this constellation so important to human evolution, and why is it the key to 2012? Andrew Collins will reveal all in a stunning lecture that is a must for all crop circle enthusiasts.*

Nikola Duper was born in Dubrovnik, Croatia in 1961 and by the age of ten he became interested in photography. With the first video cameras he began to experiment with the possibilities of this new media. Nikola moved to Italy in 1987 and worked for several TV stations and developed skills as cameraman, editor, technical manager and director. In 1999 he created his own company and made various video productions. Nikola has always been interested in the paranormal and began his association with the crop circles in 2000. He combined his interests in film making and the circles and made several successful documentaries. Nikola travels regularly to the UK to research the circles during the summer, as well as recording and documenting formations in Italy. He has been a prolific lecturer for the past five years in Italy and has appeared several times in the UK and Switzerland. Nikola also writes articles for a number of Italian alternative magazines. www.x-comos.it

***Presentation: Crop circles in Italy:** A short review of the situation in Italy, books, newspapers, TV shows, web sites etc. **Crop circles: do they accelerate or slow down our evolution?** My major interest in the crop circles has always been their effects on people. This is very clear for all those people who have seen one of my two documentaries. I don't find "side effects" like bent nodes or black helicopters very interesting, but I'd love to find out if there is something interesting for myself, something which might really, as we love to say, "change my whole life".*

The Big Debate: Not a crop circle forum, or question and answer session, the summer crop circle lectures facilitates a unique platform where the wider issues of the phenomenon can be discussed between the researchers themselves and then in participation with the audience, in anticipation that the crop circle debate can be actively moved forward. This year's panel includes many of our speakers and some guests. Chaired by Karen Alexander.

Steve Alexander (*Film of the 2008 Crop Circles*) is an internationally renowned photographer, whose images of the crop circles have graced books, media, documentaries and cinematic films worldwide for over ten years. Steve has long set the standard by which all other crop circle photography is judged. He is well-known for his influential annual presentation of the year's crop circle images, which he presents exclusively at The Summer Crop Circle Lectures. Steve is perhaps best known for his photography in the **Crop Circle Year Books (1999-2007)**, the book **Crop Circles: Signs, Wonders & Mysteries, Arcturus 2006**, and for his four crop circle films **65 Days** (2003), **360 Degrees** (2005), **Towers & Beyond** (2007) & **Mercurial Skies** (2008). www.temporarytemples.co.uk

***Film Presentation: The Crop Circles of 2008:** A sumptuous visual feast of moving and still images combined with an atmospheric soundtrack; this much anticipated annual presentation is not to be missed!*

Speakers' Supper

This year our Speakers' Supper will be held at the Italian restaurant 'Isola Bella' literally a stone's throw from the Town Hall. If you are attending the supper and are unsure of where to go, please feel free to congregate in the Cheese Hall (ground floor) after the final lecture and we'll all walk over together!

Introducing our Tour Guides...

Crop Circle Vigil/Night-watch: **Prof. Jonathan De Vierville** is a Licensed Professional Counsellor, Licensed Social Worker - Advance Clinical Practitioner and Texas Registered Massage Therapist. He trained four years at The C.G. Jung Institute for Analytical Psychology, Zurich and received his Bachelor and Master of Arts in American Studies from Bowling Green State University, Ohio and later a Master of Science in Social Work from The Worden School of Social Work, Our Lady of the Lake, University of San Antonio, Texas. His teaching interests and research experience is in American, Western and World History and Humanities with a special concentration on Spa Cultures, Civilization and the New Cosmology. **Ross Holcomb** will be leading the Vigil alongside Jonathan, see page 2 for his biography.

Crop Circle Coach Tour - **Dan Vidler** will be leading our coach tour - please see page 3 for his biography.

Avebury Tour - **Robin Heath** will be leading the Avebury tour - see page 4 for his biography.

The Organisers would like you to join them in thanking the following:

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IMPORTANT:

Please make an early note of our 2009 dates.

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Saturday 1st & Sunday 2nd August 2009

For further information please visit our website:

www.summerlectures.co.uk

Note: Details of next year's line-up will be available on our website from January 2009

The Summer Lectures 2008 - Programme

SATURDAY 2nd AUGUST

10.00am	Doors open; Registration & Coffee
10.30am	Opening Plenary
10.50am	Michael Glickman
11.50am	Refreshments
12.15pm	Ross Holcomb
1.00pm	Lunch
2.30pm	Hugh Newman
3.15pm	Dan Vidler
4.00pm	Ian Baillie
4.30pm	Refreshments
5.00pm	Barbara Lamb
5.30pm	Robin Heath
6.15pm	Dinner
7.30pm	Nancy Talbot
9.30pm	Finish; Doors close

SUNDAY 3rd AUGUST

1.45pm	Sunday Ticket Registration
2.00pm	Opening Plenary
2.15pm	Karen Alexander
2.50pm	Andreas Müller
3.35pm	Refreshments
4.00pm	Andrew Collins
5.00pm	Nikola Duper
5.45pm	Refreshments
6.15pm	THE BIG DEBATE
7.45pm	Steve Alexander: Crop Circle Film
8.15pm	Closing Plenary
8.30pm	Finish; Doors close
9.00pm	Speakers' Supper
	<i>(Finishes late)</i>

Additional Tours / Events

SATURDAY 2nd AUGUST

12.00am	Crop Circle Vigil/Night-watch
6.00am	Finish

SUNDAY 3rd AUGUST

9.00am	Crop Circle Coach Tour departs
12.00pm	Finish
9.00am	Avebury Tour meets
12.00pm	Finish

