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The 1981 Excavations at the Ball Site

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Stone Bead Blank

One blank was found probably of a siltstone, disc-shaped and well smoothed. It has grooves etched in one side and no bore hole. Its diameter is .9 cm.

Ceramic Beads

Only one ceramic bead was found, of a medium brown clay, 1 cm in length and .7 cm in width. Its bore hole is extremely small.

Glass Beads

Eighteen trade beads or bead fragments, presumably made of glass, were uncovered. Nine of these were white cylindrical beads, the largest whole bead being 1.3 cm in length and .5 cm in diameter. The second largest single type of trade bead were round circular turquoise beads of which four whole and one half bead were found. They average about .5 cm in size.

There is a bead of almost clear glass, with white horizontal lines set into the bead itself. It is cylindrical in shape and .9 cm long. There are two beads of similar shape, one navy blue and one off-white, with their bore holes roughly off centre. They are both oval in shape. The final bead is navy blue, roughly round although there is a spur of glass where it was cut to its desired size. There are three sections of red and white decorations, a red star with red lines projecting on a white background. One of these patternings has been destroyed by the bead forming process.

9 - white tubular

5 - turquoise round

1 - white stripes
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1 - indigo football

1 - white football

1 - indigo round?
~~round~~

star bead
fragments