SAN JUAN BASIN ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY

Chapter of Colorado Archaeological Society



FIELD TRIP REPORT

Date: June 21, 2012

Destination: Salmon Ruins Solstice

Leader: Richard Robinson

Number of Participants: 8

On June 21, six members of the SJBAS and two Hisatsinom members attended the early morning Summer Solstice program at the Salmon Ruins in Bloomfield NM. By using cut outs and photos from the early 1900's, the sun patterns on grinding stones in a corner of a room that would have occurred many, many years ago were recreated. A large crowd attended this program which was open to the public. The group rotated allowing each person several views of the shadow and light patterns as the sun rose. Larry Baker and his Archaeo-Astronomer volunteer presented additional Information about the Archaeo-Astronomical significance of the site.

- Prepared by Rich Robinson