



SNEC-SIA Tour of Salisbury District – Iron Heritage Trail Northwest Connecticut Saturday, May 14, 2016 10 AM to 5 PM

Hosted by the Friends of Beckley Furnace
Tour starts at 10:00 A.M. at Beckley Furnace
140 Lower Rd, East Canaan, CT 06024

Cost: Free

Overview:

We will meet at 10 A.M. at Beckley Furnace,
140 Lower Rd, East Canaan, CT 06024, just east of the junction
of Routes 7 and 44.



Beckley Furnace
140 Lower Road, East Canaan, CT

Beckley Furnace (aka East Canaan #2) was built in 1847 by John Adam Beckley. It was acquired by the Barnum & Richardson Company in 1858. It operated until 1919. Beckley Furnace was purchased by the state in 1946 and has been designated as Connecticut’s official state Industrial Monument. The site also includes a restored dam used to power the blowing engines for the furnace.

Lunch: “On your own” – in North Canaan, CT

Tentative Schedule after lunch:

Mt. Riga Furnace – The only standing cold blast furnace in CT. Operated 1810-1856.

Lime Rock Furnace #2 – Restored 1865 furnace, Lime Rock Village, Salisbury, CT

Sharon Valley Lime Kiln, in Sharon, built in around 1875 by Isaac Newton Bartram. The kiln was operated until about 1905. It has been restored by the Sharon Historical Society.

Copake Furnace #2 in nearby Copake Falls, NY. The furnace is the focus of an ongoing preservation effort by the Friends of Taconic State Park, who also operate the nearby Copake Iron Works Museum.



Sharon Valley Lime Kiln
Sharon Station Road, Sharon, CT



Copake Furnace #2
Valley View Rd, Copake Falls, NY

Please contact SNEC-SIA president Marc Belanger
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