


Canyon Keepers 2024 Meeting Schedule

Month	Date and Time	Location	Topic/Guest Speaker
""	05/06/2025 5:45 for light refreshments; 6:15 for meeting start 6:45 for main speaker	Canyon view Community Center 471 Maidu Drive, Auburn CA	<p>Title of Presentation: Connecting to Nature through Conservation & Recreation</p> <p>Speaker: Erin Tarr</p> <p>Topic: BYLT mission and work. Highlights of projects. Community connections through art, events, and trails.</p> <p>Bio: I grew up in Iowa and was introduced to outdoor exploration and appreciation at an early age. Continued my journey west and got my bachelor's at Sac State before starting my career in conservation. During my talk, I would like to share BYLT mission and projects. Importance of land trusts in your community. How to engage with the work!</p> 
April	04/01/2025 5:45 for light refreshments;	Canyon view Community Center	<p>Title of Presentation: ARD 101: All About the Auburn Recreation District</p> <p>Speaker: Kahl Muscott</p> <p>Topic: An overview of what ARD is, current and upcoming projects, upcoming events and programs</p>

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March	03/04/2025 5:45 for light refreshments; 6:15 for meeting start 6:45 for main speaker	Canyon view Community Center 471 Maidu Drive, Auburn CA	<p>Title of Presentation: Friends Aiding Wildlife in Nature</p> <p>Speaker: Irene and Roger Smith – Organization Founders</p> <p>Topic: Obsolete Fencing Removal and Wildlife Protection</p> <p>Bio: Roger and Irene Smith, Founders of FAWN live in rural Placer County, California and have spent years in efforts to protect open space for the benefit to humans and wildlife alike. Together they have promoted preservation of open space and wildlife habitat through direct involvement with municipalities and agencies. Their “defining moment” in starting FAWN was when they found a dead doe hanging by one foot from a fence on their adjoining neighbor’s fence. Having heard of community efforts in the State of Oregon to protect wildlife from obsolete fencing hazards, they were inspired to duplicate this effort in California. Our hope is that by raising awareness, these kind of efforts will become common and effect policy changes for the protection of our wild friends.</p> <p>Be advised their presentation addresses difficult topics and features a video that contains graphic images of wildlife entrapment.</p>
February	02/04/2025 5:45 for light refreshments; 6:15 for meeting start 6:45 for main speaker	Canyon view Community Center 471 Maidu Drive, Auburn CA	<p>Title of Presentation: American River Bike Patrol</p> <p>Speaker: John Poimiroo – Patrol Director</p> <p>Topic: The ARBP has been patrolling the American River Parkway since 2020 and officially Folsom Lake SRA since 2023. During that time, the ARBP has been named best bike patrol in the nation. Now the patrol is launching a Mountain Bike Unit that will soon be seen on Folsom Lake SRA and Auburn SRA trails. Patrollers will describe who they are, what they’ll be doing on State Parks MTB trails, the various services they provide and answer questions.</p> <p>Bio: John directs over 110 bike patrollers. He is also a ski patroller on Donner Summit. John may be joined by other members of his patrol. During his service as a bike patroller, he received American Red Cross and California State EMS awards for life saving and was named the ARBP’s Outstanding Patroller.</p>

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