

The date: 2/5/2025

The week number: 6

The walk number: 1799

The weather: 57 F; cloudy

The walkers: Alan Cummings, Viveca Sapin-Areeda,
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The birds (32)

No.	First Name	Last Name	Prob
4	Western	Bluebird	0.50
3	Red-whiskered	Bulbul	0.75
30		Bushtit	0.75
1	Mountain	Chickadee	0
30	American	Crow	1
8	Mourning	Dove	0.88
1	Snowy	Egret	0
10	House	Finch	1
10	American	Goldfinch	0.62
15	Lesser	Goldfinch	1
1	Red-shouldered	Hawk	0.25
2	Red-tailed	Hawk	0.88
1	Sharp-shinned	Hawk	0
3	Anna's	Hummingbird	0.88
1	Selasphorus	Hummingbird	0.50
8	Dark-eyed	Junco	1
2	Ruby-crowned	Kinglet	0.75
4	Northern	Mockingbird	0.50
5	Black	Phoebe	1
6	Band-tailed	Pigeon	1
3	Common	Raven	1
1	American	Robin	0.38
12	Chipping	Sparrow	0
2	House	Sparrow	0.62
2	White-crowned	Sparrow	0.50
2	European	Starling	0.12
1	Oak	Titmouse	0
3	California	Towhee	0.75
16	Yellow-rumped	Warbler	1
10	Acorn	Woodpecker	1
1	Nuttall's	Woodpecker	0.38
1	Bewick's	Wren	0.75

Walk lasted between 12:00 and 14:30

We had a sensational, record-setting walk. We observed 32 species, one more than the record for the week. The walk started out drizzly and that almost terminated the walk. But, it was a light mist and after about 30 minutes, the drizzle stopped and we continued. There was light rain overnight and I think the conditions contributed to a huge number of birds seen. We had 30

crows in one tree, for example. And in Tournament Park, there were two mixed-flocks of birds on the ground, with lots of American Goldfinch, Lesser Goldfinch, Chipping Sparrows, and House Finches. Quite a sight. The one controversial sighting was the Sharp-shinned Hawk. It was in a tree on Wilson and appeared to be rather small and to have a squared-off tail. Tough call be we rose to the occasion and called it a sharp-shinned. The Snowy Egret was back but the Say's Phoebe, which had been around for several weeks in a row, was absent. Other unusual birds were the Oak Titmouse and the Mountain Chickadee. Incredible walk!

Alan,
2/6/2025