

The date: 7/1/2020

The week number: 27

The walk number: 1566

The weather: 70 F; cloudy

The walkers: Viveca Sapin-Areeda, Alan Cummings, Meagan Gourley

The birds (19)

- 12 Rock Pigeon
- 1 Northern Mockingbird
- 3 House Sparrow
- 3 Mourning Dove
- 5 House Finch
- 4 Common Raven
- 10 Acorn Woodpecker
- 10 American Crow
- 3 Dark-eyed Junco
- 6 Lesser Goldfinch
- 1 Pacific-slope Flycatcher
- 1 Red-whiskered Bulbul
- 3 Black Phoebe
- 2 Cooper's Hawk
- 1 Hummingbird, Selasphorus
- 2 Western Bluebird
- 2 Red-tailed Hawk
- 1 Anna's Hummingbird
- 1 Say's Phoebe

So, I returned to the walk. I was joined by Viveca and Meagan. Good to "see" both of them. Tournament Park was closed but we managed to sneak in the back way on Wilson. The gate right out on Wilson was closed and looked to be locked, but on closer inspection was fake-locked. So, Viveca and I went in. Meagan chose to stay outside; she, a Canadian citizen, doesn't need any trouble with the authorities! Anyway, it was good she was standing guard; otherwise we would have been locked in. A security guard drove past and stopped when she noticed the gate a bit ajar. She announced to Meagan that she was going to lock it. Meagan had to spill the beans that someone might be in there. Viveca and I were tracked down; fortunately the dogs were on a leash and we didn't get injured too badly. Just kidding. It was a very cordial ejection.

The highlight was the dozen Rock Pigeons on Wilson. Haven't seen any in a while. Yes, I know, weird to say Rock Pigeon are a highlight! The Cooper's Hawk near the nest on Arden was nice too. None in the nest anymore. And we saw a Say's Phoebe out on the athletic field south of Brown Gym. Nineteen species for the day, which is not half-bad for a summer walk.

Walk lasted between 12:00 to 13:40. As Viveca would say: See you all soon with mask-covered faces!

Alan,
7/2/2020

