The date: 8/6/2024
The week number: 32
The walk number: 1774
The weather: 88 F; sunny

The walkers: Alan Cummings, Chris Moreno, Viveca Sapin-Areeda,

Chip O'Connor, Ellen Yu, Judi Sato, Ethan Lin

The birds (21)

No.	First Name	Last Name	Prob
1	Western	Bluebird	0.50
7		Bushtit	0.50
1	Red-whiskered	Bulbul	0.88
6	American	Crow	0.88
8	Mourning	Dove	1
1	House	Finch	0.75
8	Lesser	Goldfinch	0.75
2	Anna's	Hummingbird	1
2	Selasphorus	Hummingbird	0.75
6	Dark-eyed	Junco	1
1	Northern	Mockingbird	0.75
1	Black	Phoebe	0.75
1	Band-tailed	Pigeon	0.75
4	Common	Raven	0.38
4	House	Sparrow	0.75
1	Oak	Titmouse	0.12
1	California	Towhee	0.50
2	Red-masked	Parakeet	0.75
12	Acorn	Woodpecker	1
1	Nuttall's	Woodpecker	0.38
1	Red-shouldered	Hawk	0

Walk lasted between 12:00 and 13:45.

Another week, another record. I kid you not. We got 21 species, one more than the record for the week and 4.2 above the prediction. This time we had Ethan Lin along, a rising junior at Caltech, who last walked a couple of times last year. He must be the reason for the good luck. But, I would say, Chris was on fire. She went over to buy everyone some waters, and because of that she saw the only Band-tailed Pigeon to fly over any of us. So, a good deed by her led to a good bird for us. And she had some other good sightings as well. It was one of the shorter walks, ending at 13:45, so number observed per minute was pretty good too. So far the summer swoon in numbers has not been as bad as usual.

Alan, 8/9/2024