The date: 12/23/2020 The week number: 52 The walk number: 1591 The weather: 66 F; partly cloudy The walkers: Alan Cummings, Viveca Sapin-Areeda, Chris Moreno

The birds (21)

- 6 Rock Pigeon
- 1 Northern Mockingbird
- 8 House Finch
- 15 Mourning Dove
- 5 Anna's Hummingbird
- 4 Acorn Woodpecker
- 1 American Crow
- 7 Dark-eyed Junco
- 12 Lesser Goldfinch
- 4 Common Raven
- 25 Yellow-rumped Warbler
- 5 Ruby-crowned Kinglet
- 4 Black Phoebe
- 2 Warbler, Townsend's
- 1 Say's Phoebe
- 12 Cedar Waxwing
- 18 Bushtit
- 5 Band-tailed Pigeon
- 1 Gull, sp.
- 2 California Towhee
- 4 Western Bluebird

Walk lasted between 12:00 to 14:05. Tournament Park still closed.

So, this was the last walk of the year. Next year I am switching the walks to Tuesdays; so the next walk, the first of 2021, will be on Tuesday, January 5. Thanks to Viveca and the new walkers, particularly Chris and Lynn towards the end of the year, who kept the Caltech bird walks going through the pandemic. We were both happy and sad about Meagan, who left us during the pandemic to follow her husband in his new academic position. Sad to see her go but happy that her job was always remotely accomplished, so that should work out OK. She racked up 53 walks, which put her in 18th place overall out of 187 walkers. Not bad for having started on 12/16/2018. As a reminder, these walks started on 10/15/1986 and today's was the 1591st in the series. Happy Holiday and Happy New Year to all. Stay safe.

Alan, 12/23/2020