

The date: 12/26/2023

The week number: 52

The walk number: 1744

The weather: 65 F; partly cloudy

The walkers: Alan Cummings, Viveca Sapin-Areeda, Jieyu Zheng,
Chip O'Connor, Chris Moreno, Judi Sato, George Rossman

The birds (19)

No.	First Name	Last Name	Prob
1	Red-whiskered	Bulbul	0.38
19		Bushtit	0.88
4	American	Crow	1
17	Mourning	Dove	0.62
3	House	Finch	0.88
11	Lesser	Goldfinch	1
1	Red-tailed	Hawk	0.62
3	Anna's	Hummingbird	0.88
1	Selasphorus	Hummingbird	0.62
2	Dark-eyed	Junco	0.75
1	Ruby-crowned	Kinglet	1
1	Northern	Mockingbird	1
2	Black	Phoebe	1
8	Band-tailed	Pigeon	1
8	Common	Raven	1
2	House	Sparrow	0.38
4	White-crowned	Sparrow	0
24	Yellow-rumped	Warbler	1
9	Acorn	Woodpecker	1

Walk lasted between 12:00 and 14:02

We welcomed a new walker to the Caltech bird walks, Jieyu Zheng, a 4th year graduate student at Caltech. Also, George Rossman made his annual appearance between Christmas and New Year's. It was a good turnout, walker-wise, but not so much bird-wise. We observed 19 species, which was one short of the median for the week and 4.6 short of the prediction. The prediction has been pretty accurate this year overall, with the average prediction being 21.1 and the average observed being 22.0. I am happy about that, but not so thrilled with being nearly 5 birds short this week. Otherwise, the weather was nice, the walkers were nice; so instead of being not half-bad, it was only 1/3 bad. Happy New Year to all. Next walk is on Tuesday 2 January 2024 unless it rains.

Alan,
12/26/2023

