

The date: 5/27/2026

The week number: 22

The walk number: 1871

The weather: 66 F; partly cloudy

The walkers: Alan Cummings, Viveca Sapin-Areeda, Chip O'Connor, Kevin Kan, Ellen Yu, Alex Ortiz, Eric Warren, Andrew Guerra, Wan-Ying Kan

The birds (24)

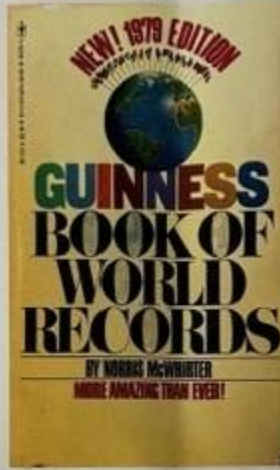
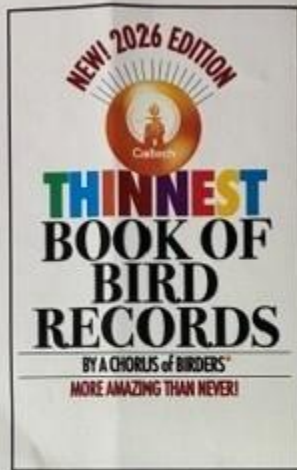
No.	First Name	Last Name	Prob
4	Western	Bluebird	0.75
3	Red-whiskered	Bulbul	1
6		Bushtit	1
4	American	Crow	0.88
3	Mourning	Dove	1
2	House	Finch	1
1	Pacific-slope	Flycatcher	0.12
2	Lesser	Goldfinch	1
1	Red-tailed	Hawk	0.25
1	Anna's	Hummingbird	0.88
2	Selasphorus	Hummingbird	0.88
10	Dark-eyed	Junco	1
3	Northern	Mockingbird	0.88
2	White-breasted	Nuthatch	0
1	Hooded	Oriole	0
7	Mitred	Parakeet	0
1	Black	Phoebe	0.88
1	Common	Raven	1
3	House	Sparrow	1
1	European	Starling	0.38
2	White-throated	Swift	0.62
3	Oak	Titmouse	0.12
4	California	Towhee	0.88
6	Acorn	Woodpecker	1

Walk lasted between 12:00 and 13:57

We observed 24 species, which was 2.9 above the prediction, so a very good walk. Our highlight bird was the Mitred Parakeet, which we haven't seen in a while. We saw 7 of them. Well, another highlight was the Pacific-slope Flycatcher, now named the Western Flycatcher and at some point I will correct my records. We are still seeing the Hooded Oriole, the White-breasted Nuthatch, and the Oak Titmouse, so that is all good. In last week's report, I asked Wan-Ying to check on the record for the combined total of 100% plus zero percent probables. And, Wan-Ying showed up with the answer. See photo below. She is quite creative! I have another question for our statistician: What is the largest difference between the observed number and the predicted number of species? Once again, Wan-Ying?

Alan,

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On 05/22/26 Alan wondered 'what's the record for 100% + 0% probable birds?'  
5/20/26 (week 21, walk 1870) had 15 (12+3) → worthy of an honorable mention

15 has been achieved 4 other times...

1. 5/23/23 (week 21, walk 1714) → 13+2
2. 5/21/24 (week 21, walk 1763) → 13+2
3. 2/11/26 (week 7, walk 1857) → 13+2
4. 4/22/26 (week 17, walk 1866) → 11+4

The record is 18 (14+4) set on 3/11/26 (week 11, walk 1860)  
Second is 17 (13+4) set on 4/16/25 (week 16, walk 1809)  
Third is 16 (13+3) set on 4/15/26 (week 16, walk 1865)