

The date: 6/15/2021
 The week number: 24
 The walk number: 1615
 The weather: 97 F; partly cloudy
 The walkers: Alan Cummings, Viveca Sapin-Areeda, Chris Moreno, Lynn Harper

The birds (18)

1	Red-whiskered	Bulbul	1
5		Bushtit	2
5	American	Crow	3
1	Mourning	Dove	4
10	House	Finch	5
2	Lesser	Goldfinch	6
4	Cooper's	Hawk	7
2	Anna's	Hummingbird	8
1	Selasphorus	Hummingbird	9
6	Dark-eyed	Junco	10
2	Black	Phoebe	11
1	Band-tailed	Pigeon	12
2	House	Sparrow	13
3	California	Towhee	14
2	Spotted	Towhee	15
6	Acorn	Woodpecker	16
1	Downy	Woodpecker	17
1	Bewick's	Wren	18

Walk lasted between 12:00 and 13:45. Tournament Park is still closed.

Wow! We were astounded by what we saw down on Arden Rd. We saw a nest with 1 adult Cooper's Hawk and 3 juvenal Cooper's Hawks near it. Not in it; near it. The kids are about to leave the nest for good and we never noticed that a family of hawks was in the nest! It was not the normal nest to which we look for Cooper's Hawks. The nest in question is on the west side of Arden, just north of the other one that is on the east side and which nest we did see a pair of Cooper's Hawks raise a family a couple of years ago. We were astounded that we didn't notice this activity earlier.

Otherwise, it was HOT. Averaged to about 97 F, but was about 100 F at the end. Nonetheless, we had a fair total, 18, which was 2.6 short of the prediction but 2 above the median. So again, not half-bad.

Alan,
 6/18/2021

