## PBC Field Trip: Audubon Nature Area, 2 September 2023 submitted by Jim Gant

Trip Coordinator(s): Jim Eldrett

**<u>Location:</u>** 111 Tankersley Drive, Greensboro, NC

**Temperature:** 60's – high 70's

**Weather:** Clear and sunny

Target Bird(s), if any: Any migrants

**Number of participants:** 17 (including the 2 we found out on the trail)

**<u>Bird List:</u>** Mourning Dove; Yellow-billed Cuckoo; Red-shouldered Hawk; Belted Kingfisher; Red-bellied Woodpecker; Downy Woodpecker; Great Crested Flycatcher; White-eyed Vireo; Blue Jay; American Crow; Fish Crow; Common Raven; Carolina Chickadee; Tufted Titmouse; House Wren; Carolina Wren; European Starling; Gray Catbird; Northern Mockingbird; Eastern Bluebird; American Robin; American Goldfinch; Northern Cardinal; for a total of 23 species.

Comments: (such as, notable birds seen, interesting bird or animal behavior, condition of the birding site, participant comments): It was a beautiful day for a Bird Walk. Jim E started us off with an overview of the ANA for the newcomers. We began our walk through the front trail area and then proceeded on the trail through the woods to the back meadow area and beyond. We eventually followed the trail along North Buffalo Creek. On all the trails we were able to hear those birds who were sounding off and see some of those that were foraging in the upper canopy of the trees. Interesting to note that while we started off with 15 folks we picked up 2 more along the way. They were visitors from Oregon who happened to be driving by the trailhead and saw the sign so they pulled in to see things and we found them out on the trials. They eagerly joined our group. It was exciting to get a sound and visual confirmation of a Common Raven, as well as the sound and visuals on the Yellow-billed Cuckoo and White-eye Vireos. All in all a good day.

## ANA Trip Report, 9/2/23; Photos



Juvenile American Robin



Massive Wasp/Hornets Nest



Some of the blooming flowers



Northern Mockingbird