Trip Report, Hamilton Lakes, 28 May 2026

submitted by Jim Gant

Trip Coordinator(s): Jim Gant

Location: Hamilton Lakes, Greensboro, NC

Temperature: 70's

Weather: Partly cloudy

Target Bird(s), if any: migrants

Number of participants: 4

Bird List: Canada Goose, Mallard, Chimney Swift, Double-crested Cormorant, Great Blue Heron, Red-shouldered Hawk, Red-bellied Woodpecker, Downy Woodpecker, Acadian Flycatcher, Eastern Phoebe, Great Crested Flycatcher, Eastern Kingbird, White-eyed Vireo, Red-eyed Vireo, Blue Jay, American Crow, Fish Crow, Carolina Chickadee, Tufted Titmouse, Tree Swallow, Purple Martin, White-breasted Nuthatch, Brown-headed Nuthatch, Blue-gray Gnatcatcher, Carolina Wren, Gray Catbird, Eastern Bluebird, Wood Thrush, House Finch, American Goldfinch, Song Sparrow, Eastern Towhee, Brown-headed Cowbird, Common Grackle, Pine Warbler, Northern Cardinal, for a total of 36 species.

Comments: (such as, notable birds seen, interesting bird or animal behavior, condition of the birding site, participant comments):

It was an excellent day for a Bird Walk. The weather was great and the birds were vocal. We were very fortunate to have Henry Link with us on our walk. His tremendous knowledge of birds, and specifically of Hamilton Lakes provided us with great insight to the species that have passed through this area. Although we did see/hear a good number of birds this day. It was apparent that the warblers that had been seen earlier in the month have moved on. Henry pointed out to us one of the 2 Red-shouldered Hawk nests in Hamilton Lakes. Initially we did not see any chicks. However, as we were observing the nest one of the 2 chicks popped its head up for us to see and photograph. Despite not seeing many of the migrants, it was an excellent Bird Walk.

Trip Report Photos for Hamilton Lakes, 5/28/26

Red-shouldered Hawk

Acadian Flycatcher

Red-shouldered Hawk chick in nest

Great Blue Heron

Eastern Kingbird