



Capturing 24 hours of coastal living through your lens

Portal 22-23

Capture day

Dec 26 2022

Exhibition 20 January
to 25 February 2023



Jacinta Faye NEWMAN

The train is coming

We holiday at The BIG4 caravan park each year at Christmas. During the Christmas period there is a break in the trains running past between the 24th and later in the evening on the 26th.

At dusk on the 26th there is a faint toot in the distance. Seconds after, there are excited calls and screams around the caravan park by all the children 'the train is coming, the train is coming'. The children from all across the caravan park run, (parents jogging closely behind) filled with joy to the crossing, to watch the train go past. Excited calls and hoots, from the children shouting out 'toot again' their hands in the air making the action of tooting to the train driver.

This one moment from our boxing day 2022, filled my heart with the innocence, joy and the nostalgia of being a child, once more.

WHEN:
8.17 pm, 26 December 2022

WHERE:
Water St Railway Crossing in
Ulverstone.

ABOUT

Portal

22-23

Devonport Regional Gallery have held the Portal community photography project exhibition since 2013.

Each year, people in the North West of Tasmania are invited to capture and share a moment on a set day. Photographers can use smartphone, digital camera or even go-pro to create a portal into their day.

The capture day for this iteration of Portal was 26 December 2022. Participants were asked: what does your day look like? Boxing Day Sales? New toys and mess? Family walks on the beach? A lazy day? Photographers shared a variety of experiences from their “Boxing Day”, from personal moments to family traditions.

The show has been organised to walk you through December 26, chronologically, as seen by people of the North West. Enjoy sharing in our photographers’ love of the landscape, family and pets, and join them in pondering the absurdity of the silly season, reflecting on change over time and dreaming of new beginnings. Slow contemplation and water sports met at the coast, a place so important to our community.

Jane FORWARD

Ghosts of Home Hill Christmas Past

Great, great granddaughter of Joe and Dame Enid Lyons, Eden Forward, stands in the small kitchen at Home Hill reflecting on Christmases' past. And questioning how Christmas dinners and Boxing Day leftover lunches for such a large family were managed in the tiny space.

WHEN:
11.45 am, 26 December 2022

WHERE:
Home Hill.





Kelly SLATER

Waves of the Southern Ocean crashing into the rocky shoreline, watched by a human

The weather was calm and my husband, a keen free diver was hoping to find a sheltered spot along the coast line to get into the water, but the swell coming in from the Southern Ocean was too large and rough to consider entering the water on Boxing Day.

WHEN:
9.15 am, 26 December 2022

WHERE:
Arthur River.



Christine WILSON

Aftermath

Washing. A reminder of the preparation, frivolity and the festive chaos that is the day before Boxing Day.

WHEN:
26 December 2022

WHERE:
Christine's backyard, Devonport

Sarah BULL

Cruising with cousins

This picture is taken midday at the beautiful Lake Barrington. It is almost a tradition for our family to spend boxing day there, just sitting by the water enjoying each other's company and the leftover food from Christmas. And those of us who are brave enough, adventure into the chilly water for a swim.

WHEN:
12.00 pm, 26 December 2022

WHERE:
Lake Barrington



Katherine TYSON

Eternal Optimists

Fishers at high tide on the Squeaking Point jetty on a warm and sunny Boxing day afternoon.

WHEN:
26 December 2022

WHERE:
Squeaking Point jetty.



Charlene THOMPSON

Boxing Day 2022 – all tied up and alone

I took this photo of the Mersey Ferry on the morning of 26/11/22 with my smart phone. How sad the ferry looked behind the wire and up on the slips at the Mersey Yacht Club.

It would be wonderful to see the Ferry active again.

WHEN:
26 December 2022

WHERE:
Mersey Yacht Club.



Huon CLIFFORD

Giants

The photographer is 9 years old.

WHEN:
26 December 2022

WHERE:
Hawley Beach.



Stephanie TUCKETT

The Angelic Mermaids

These angelic mermaids giving thanks to the universe for the beautiful sea. With gratitude.

WHEN:
7.25 am, 26 December 2022

WHERE:
Hawley Beach.



Andrea VARGAS

Poseidon Statue & Spirit Tasmania

Devonport, protected by the spirit of Poseidon.

WHEN:

6.33 am, 26 December 2022

WHERE:

Poseidon Statue, Devonport.



Robin TANNER

Spirit of Tasmania coming into port

The Spirit looms past our backyard. It is most impressive on a high tide. I never tire of this serial sight.

WHEN:
6.50 pm, 26 December 2022

WHERE:
East Devonport.



Louise MURFET

Boxing Day, 2022, The Bluff

Sun, sea and sand, life is but a beach!

WHEN:
26 December 2022

WHERE:
The Bluff, Devonport.





Mike GIBSON

Boaties on Pantana (Muddy Creek)

Panatana Rivulet is a tidal waterway at Port Sorell known as Muddy Creek locally. It has been used in the past for ship building and fishing. It is normally very quiet, Boxing Day would have to be the busiest day of the year.

I took this photo at high tide (about 2 pm) with a Sony mirrorless camera, settings - f11; 1/125 sec; ISO 100 at 76mm hand held.

WHEN:
2.00 pm, 26 December 2022

WHERE:
Panatana Rivulet.

Josh FORMAN

It's 34 degrees, so why not make use of the Christmas present I received yesterday?

WHEN:
12.47 pm, 26 December 2022

WHERE:
At home, Leith.





Lenny O'HERN

Pig Face

The photographer used a Samsung A11 phone and is 11 years old.

WHEN:
26 December 2022

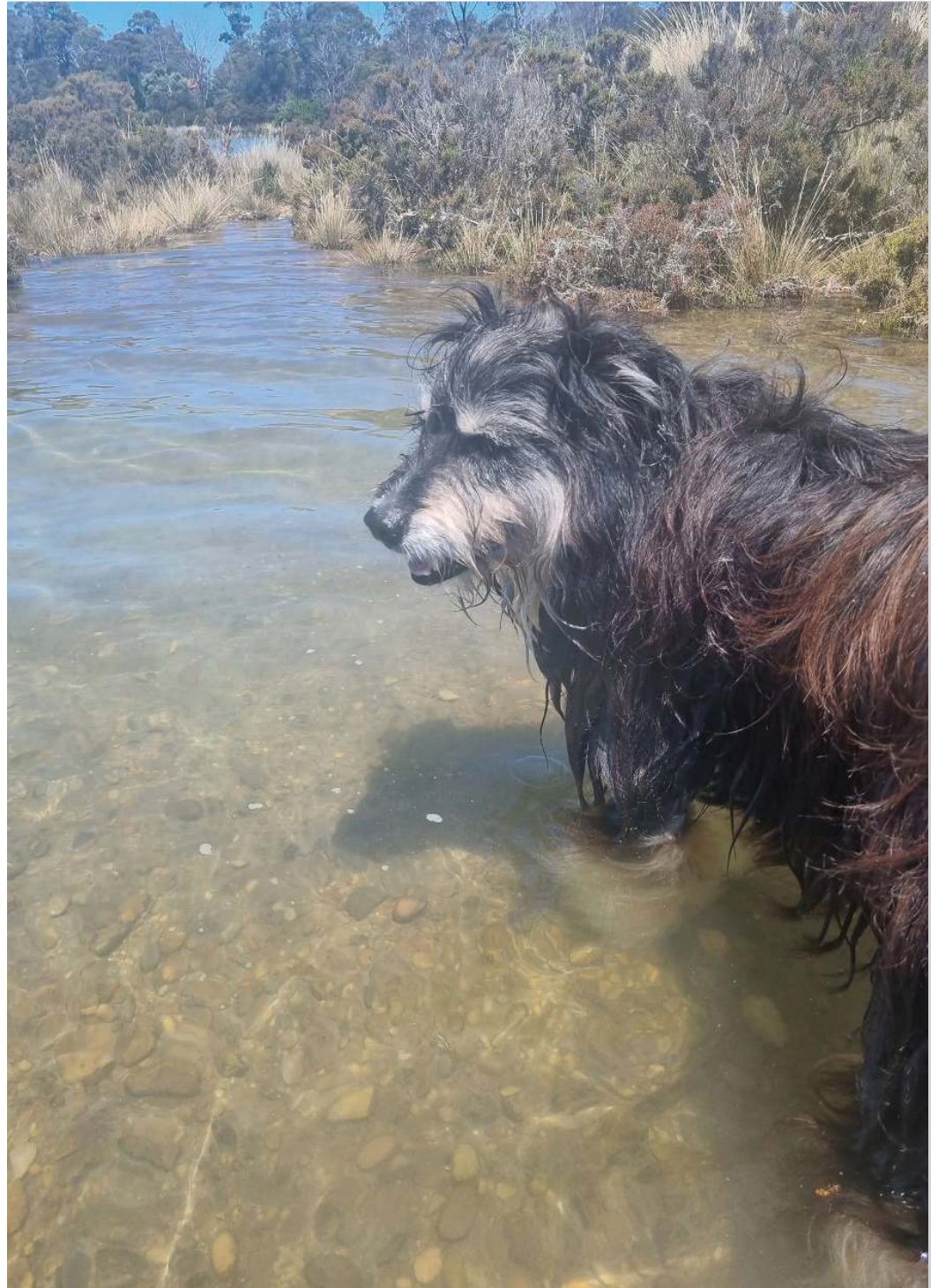
WHERE:
Squeaking point.

Janette MacDONALD

Rafa cooling down in the Rubicon Estuary

WHEN:
Early afternoon, 26 December 2022

WHERE:
Rubicon Estuary.





WHEN:
26 December 2022

WHERE:
Emma's garden.

Emma JONES-MACUACUA

This photo was taken in my garden. I have a large flower and vegetable garden and bees are such a vital part of my garden. I love watching them move from flower to flower.

Using just the camera on my phone, I took many shots of the bees in my garden. I chose this one because it shows the bee, in action, collecting pollen from the flower. I also love the colours in the photo.

Birgitta MAGNUSSON-REID

Not a Christmas Tree 2022

I came home late in the day on Boxing Day to find that the buds on my hoya had burst open.

WHEN:

Around 7.00 pm, 26 December 2022

WHERE:

Burnie.



Shane WARREN

The photograph depicts the solitude of a casual ride before tea on Boxing Day. All was quiet and the afternoon sun filtering through the melaleucas seemed very peaceful.

It's a track often travelled, and the timing and light seemed right.

The location is on the shared pathway near the eastern end of Coles Beach . iPhone SE 28mm f1.8

WHEN:
26 December 2022

WHERE:
Close to Coles Beach.



Gerard ENNIS

End of Boxing Day

It is not perfect and is out of focus - looks a bit tired like many of us after the busy days leading up to Christmas. I like how it was framed by the trees. Guessing it was after their tea and the family was doing like many others, having a stroll to unwind after a busy day.

WHEN:
8.23 pm, 26 December 2022

WHERE:
Open space in Eugene St.





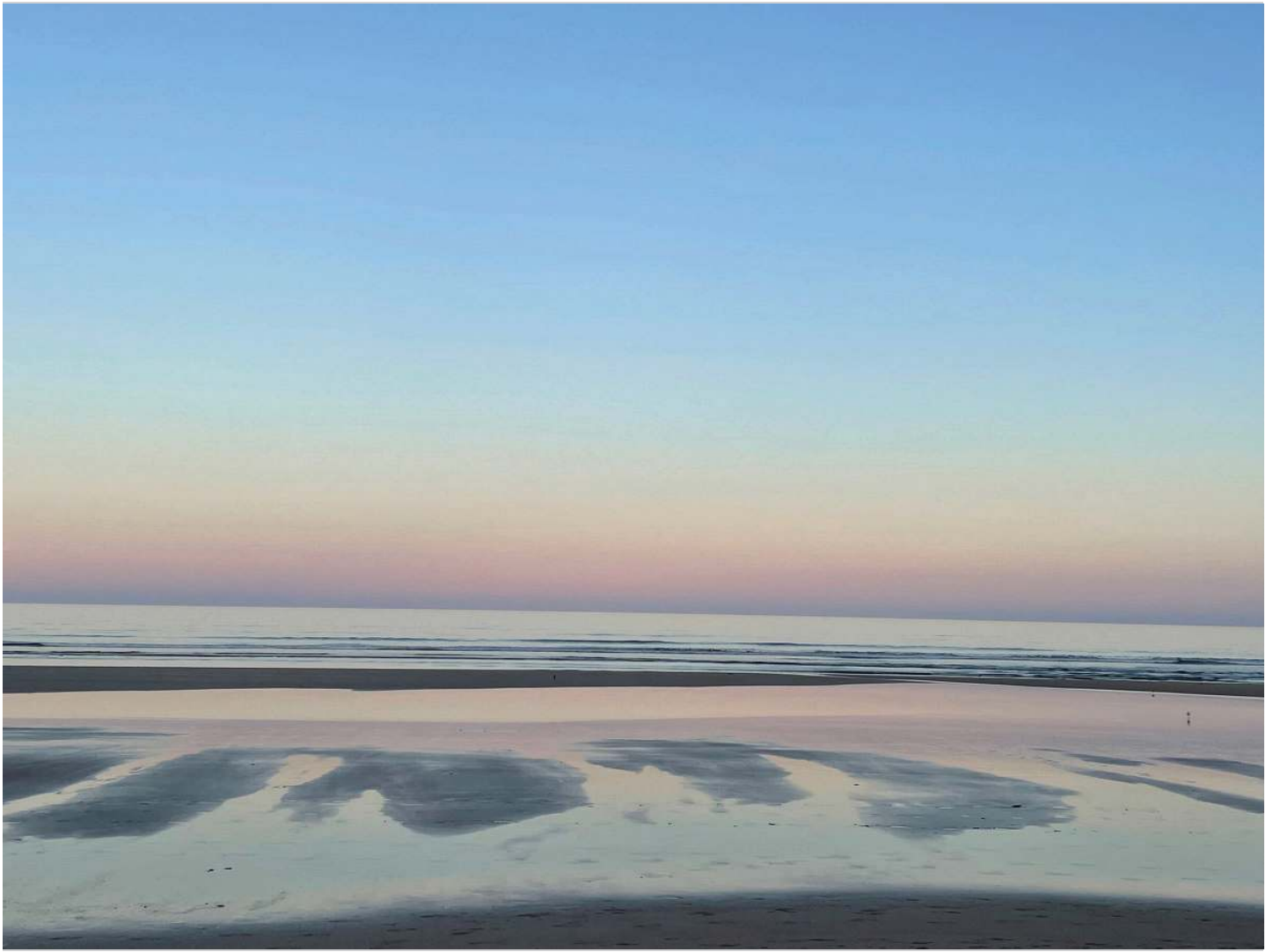
Annie THURLLOW

A good season

I went out to Port Sorell to visit a friend. Decided to take some of the backroads and came across this farm. Loved seeing Mt Roland and Western Tiers in distance, the patchwork fields with the white poppies.

WHEN:
3.30 pm, 26 December 2022

WHERE:
Somewhere near Moriarty.



Erin LINHART

A quiet moment of solitude after days of excess, meeting where the sky bleeds into the ocean. Nature paints well.

WHEN:
8.41 pm, 26 December 2022

WHERE:
Godfrey's Beach, Stanley.

Lauren HOLLAND

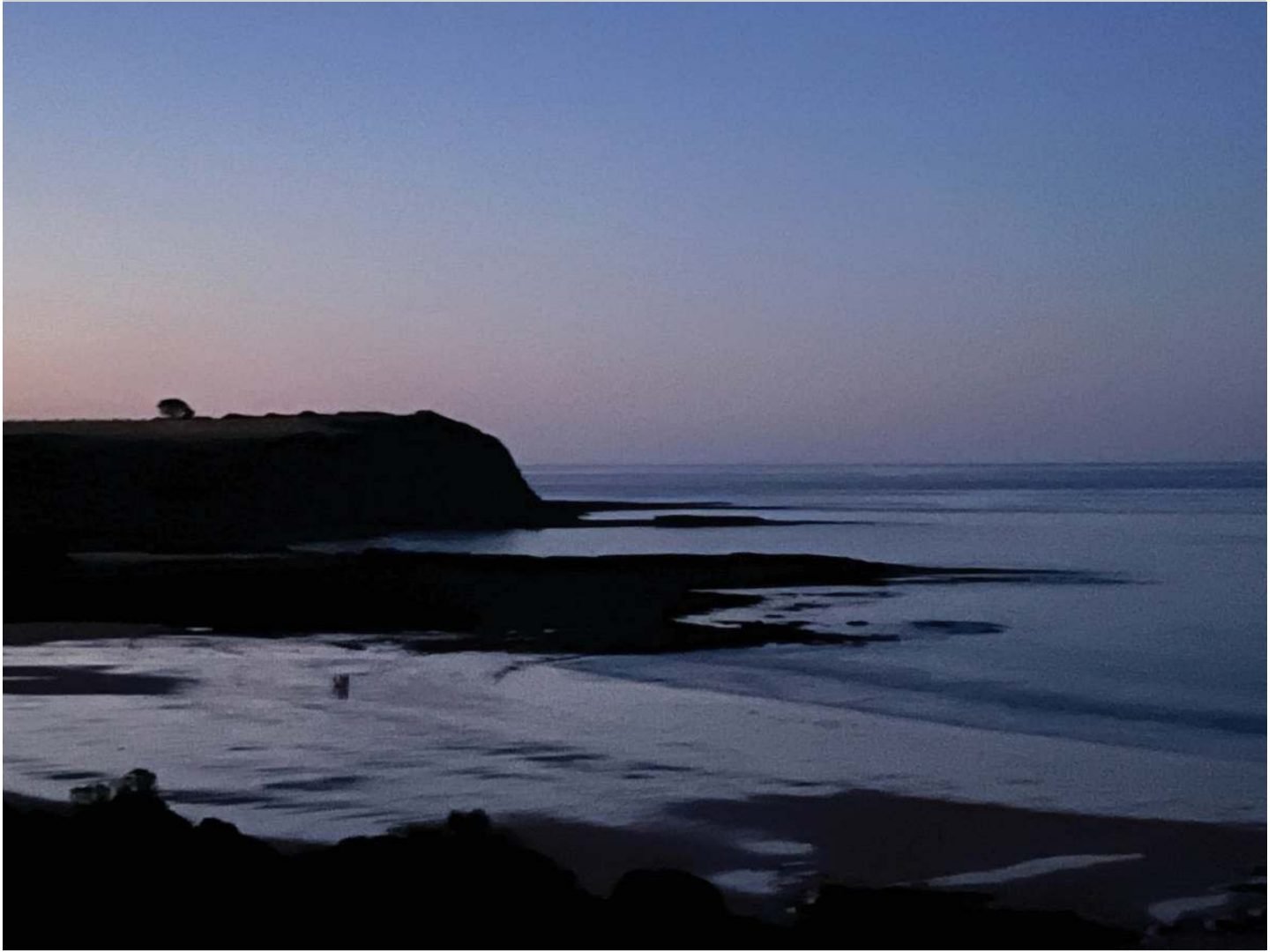
Footsteps

Evening light, falling onto the footsteps left by passing birds.

WHEN:
7.39 pm, 26 December 2022

WHERE:
Hawley Beach.





Stacey SHEEHAN

Last remnants of daylight

I had forgotten the rest of the country is in darkness long before us, until my Sydney cousins were asking about it at Christmas dinner.

WHEN:
9.52 pm, 26 December 2022

WHERE:
Coles Beach.

Anna PAICE

Summer Reading

I always have high hopes for the holidays, and in the true spirit of New Year's resolutions (made with the best intentions but destined to fail), I have accrued these two piles of classics, new fiction and non-fiction to read over Summer 2022/23. Wish me luck, and solitude!

WHEN:
26 December 2022

WHERE:
Squeaking point.



Peggy HANLON

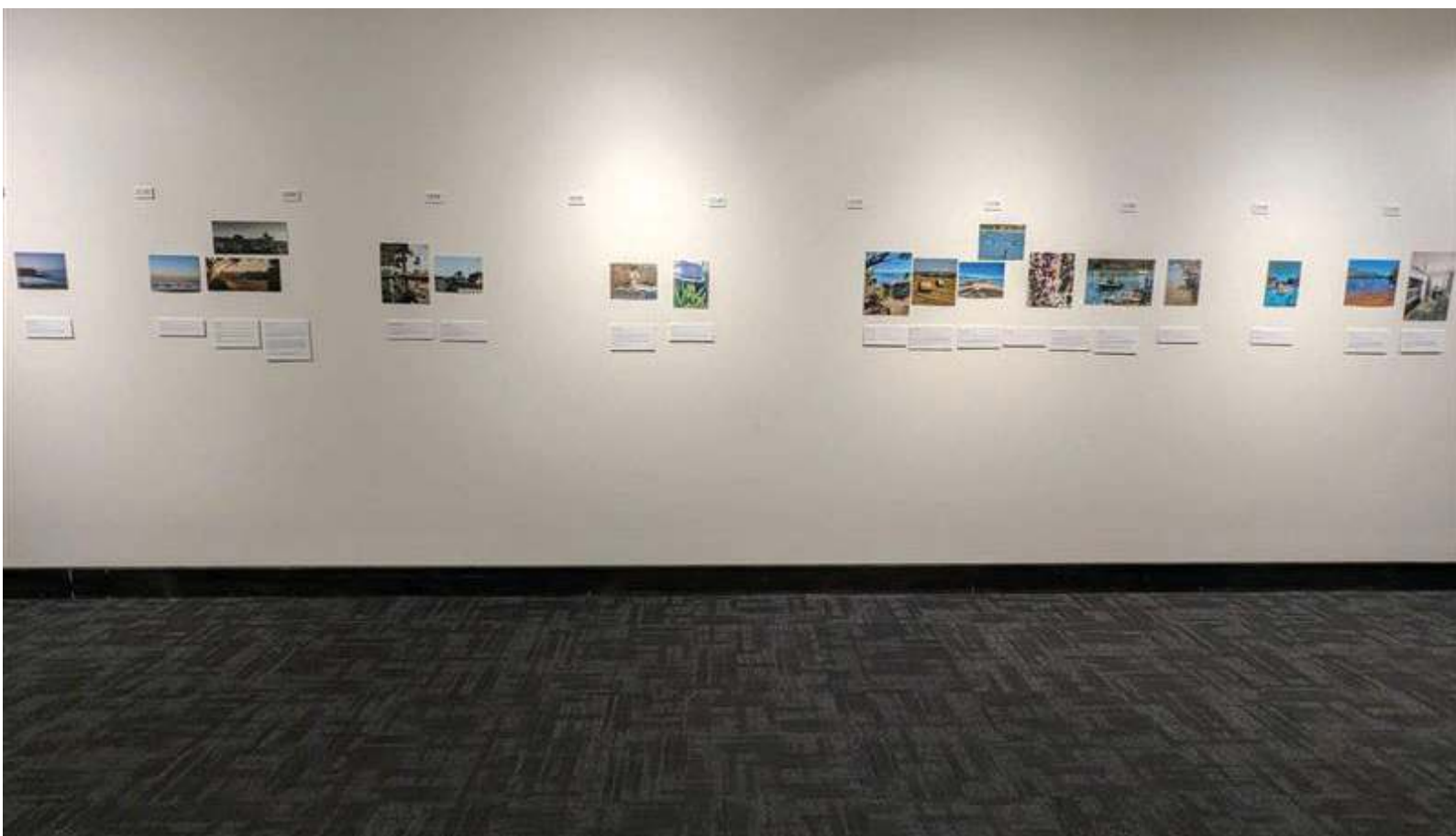
The Birds Gather at High Tide

It was a beautiful day, so I paddled my kayak out to this small island to see what birds had gathered there. It is only a small piece of land but a popular spot for our wildlife to sit and to nest.

WHEN:
3.06 pm, 26 December 2022

WHERE:
Rubicon River, Squeaking Point.





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