



# Silvermine Bay

2015 Sept 08 Tuesday



Last time here must be over 40 years ago

Place looked the same.....more like stagnant in time to me:

- No tourist....can't attract them
- Quiet....no longer the main transit hub to Tai O and Po Lin Monastery



2 p.m. on a Tuesday during the school year.....

..the beach was empty

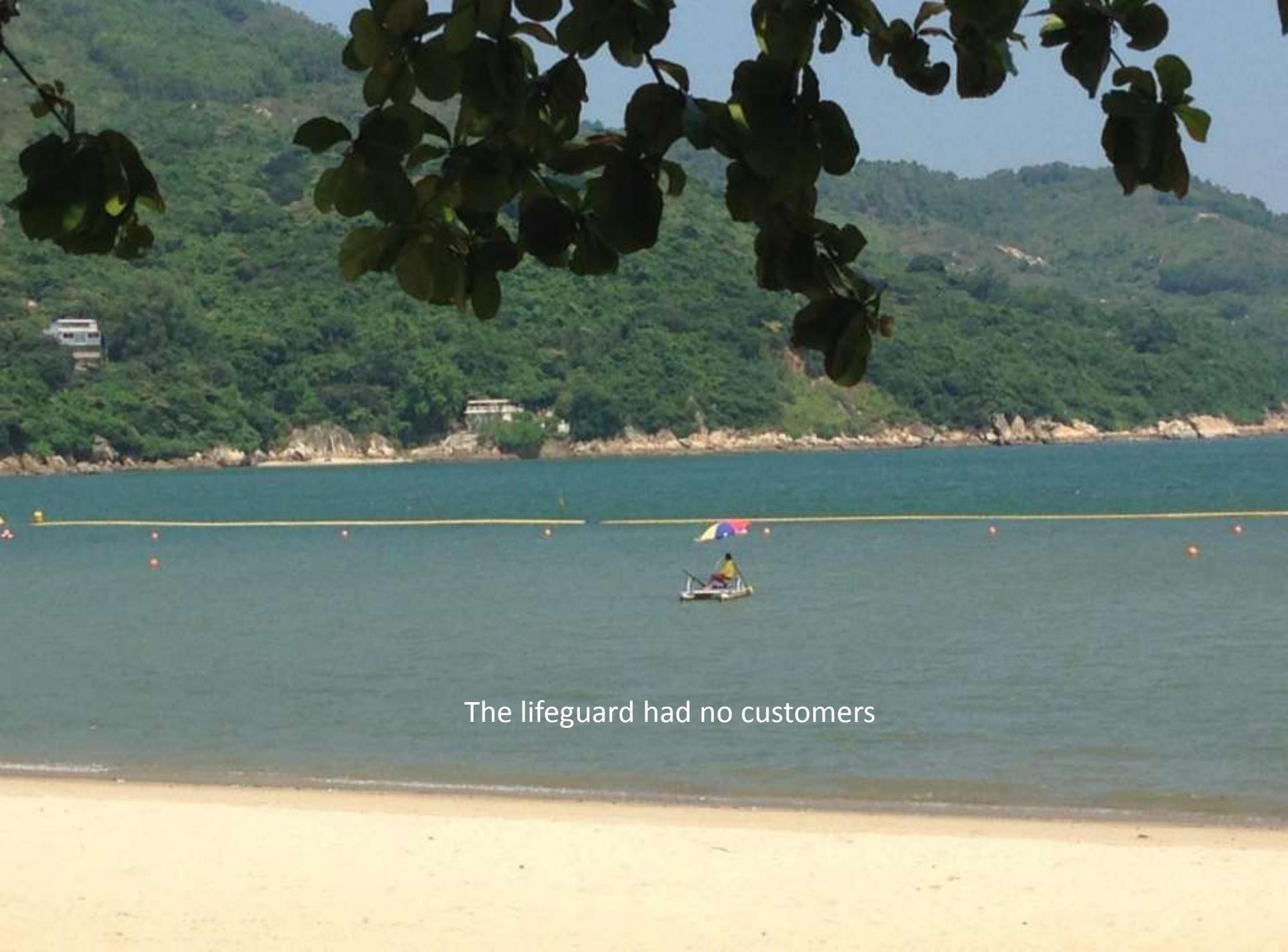








The only people there were the beach  
cleaners



The lifeguard had no customers



However, around 4 p.m., people started to turn up



5 p.m. .... more people



I stayed in this breezy shady spot

...which, I found out later, was the best resting spot along the beach





The qwei-lo's

The trios...but different trios



The "Big Mothers"



I rinsed my mind

I people-watched

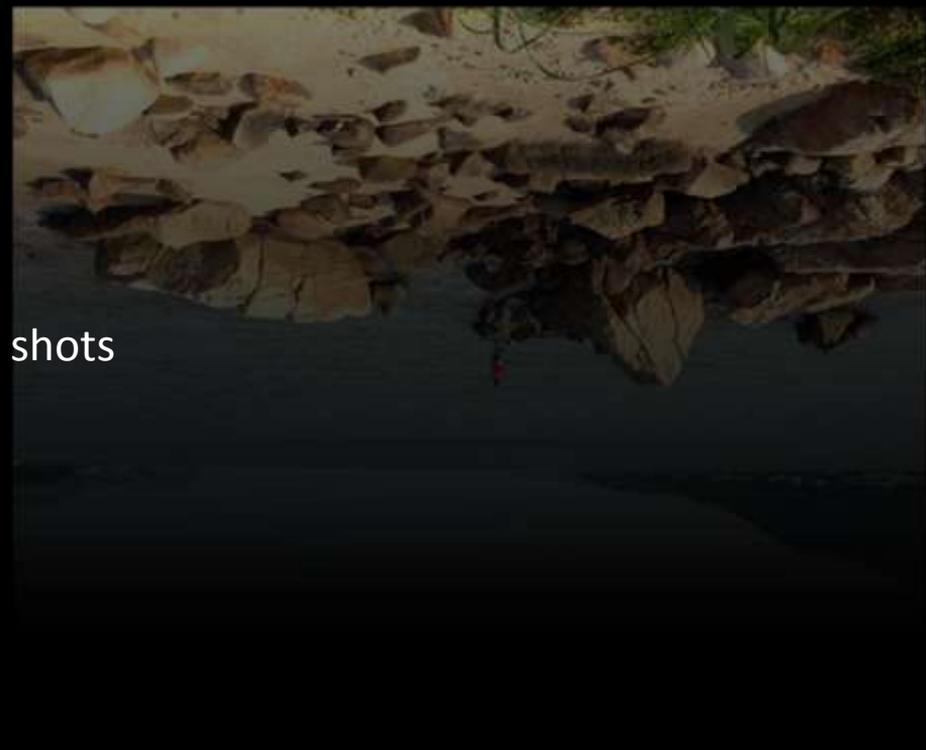
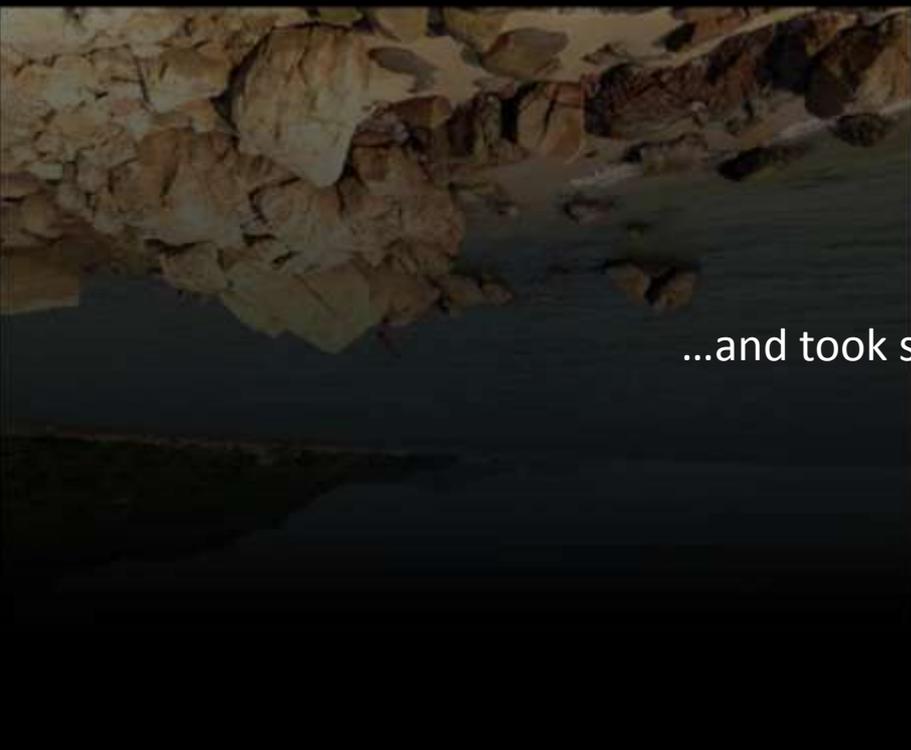
A young family



Didn't do much that day. But I did wander to the far end of the beach.



Looked at the bay from another angle



...and took some shots





Noted down some houses along the way





The bridge of our good old days is now gone

Today's bridge is concrete

(It was built in 1970 !)



The old old one



This one is building another huge block

Now there is more than one hotel in Silvermine Bay



This is the one overlooking the beach





The promenade is under redevelopment, so is another bay area





But something good did not change....

Biking to and from pier and home

Sights disappearing in China appearing here

**WONDERFUL !**

5:30 pm, bikes, trikes streaming down the street from the pier.....

....students - in Cheong Sam (True Light), in skirts (St. Claire, Belilious etc.), in trousers / pants

....white collars - Caucasians , locals

....blue collars

....children – on bucket seats in bikes or back seats in trikes

Two sharing a bike

Single-handed steering

....cell phones, heavy packages and no doubt, umbrellas on rainy days on the other hand



Silvermine Bay, Mui Wo.....

.....sparsely populated

.....no hoopla

.....not heavily commercialized

.....very residential



I came away liking the place !!

Sure will return.

不過想在這裡食魚蛋粉或雲吞麵都幾難  
No wonton or fish-ball noodles here  
not even in the Dai-Pai Dong's near the pier !