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On the Beach at Karumba a White-faced Heron is relentlessly attacking another white-faced heron. A Pelican comes in to see what is happening.

I must admit that my first instinct was to intervene and rescue the victim of the attack.



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It was relentless and unmerciful in its attack. As you can see the other bird is flat out on the beach and apparently near to death.

Again and again it went on. I couldn't for the life of me work out why it was doing it.



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And then it dawned on me. It was a mother bird driving the fledgling out. The bottom two photos show the piteous state of the little one after it was rejected by my mum.

I did go back to check on the little one later on



and it had gone. I don't know its fate but hope it is ok.