

John Henry Bergagnin - conitnued

In 2013 John experienced being a grandfather for the only time when young Jack Bergagnin was born to Brett and Sarah. This was a great part of John's life and Jack brought out emotions in John that provided tears of joy for Brett and Sarah, Aunty Cindy, and Narelle. Later on in 2013 John was moved in to a high care nursing home to treat his Parkinson's condition and Dementia.

Sadly Gwen passed away exactly one year to the day when John passed away on the 2nd July 2016. This date will be forever present with Brett and Cindy and Narelle.

John was a devoted son to Bert and Gwen, a loving husband, a beautiful father, and a grateful Poppy to Jack. John was a great mate to his friends and family. Thoughts and love go out to Narelle, Brett and Sarah and Jack, Cindy, and Maggie at this time of loss.

Rest in Peace John".

The service continued in the still falling rain with the Lord's Prayer, the placing of Floral Tributes and the Committal.

The Pitcairn Anthem - "Come Ye Blessed"- led by Terence, was our farewell hymn to John.

Vale John Eden

Many of you will remember John and Kath Eden, who came to the island about 23 years ago, and for some years ran the Palm Court Cafe where "Little Singapore" is now.

Those who knew them will be sad to learn that John passed away on Monday afternoon, after a fairly extended period of ill health. He is survived by his wife Kath, and their three sons Kelvin, Graham and Shaun.

John's funeral will be held this Saturday at the Buderim Anglican Church. Messages and cards can be sent to Kath at

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Mining will destroy marine environment

The following is a letter from the "Sunshine Coast Daily" printed on 14th July 2016:- "ON MONDAY, July 11th there was a very informative segment on the ABC Radio National breakfast program about deep seabed mining which is predicted to commence within five years.

Mining will operate much like a vacuum cleaner sucking up minerals such as zinc, cobalt, lithium and other rare earth elements then return the sludge back to the sea floor.

It seems mining companies will soon be able to destroy the marine environment just like our farmland.

The prospect of doing this type of mining in a remote part of the Pacific Ocean with a nice little island complete with international airport in the middle of a 400,000 square kilometre economic exclusion zone was just too much for the greedy Australian Government to resist, so they have invaded and occupied the smallest Commonwealth Nation, Norfolk Island.

When the Australian Government sacked the democratically elected Norfolk Island Legislative Assembly last year there followed two to three months of aircraft 'mapping' around the island and about a month ago a high-profile mining magnate spent time on Norfolk - all this may be coincidental but I think not.

Clive Plater, Eudlo.

Deep seabed mining likely to happen within five years, report finds

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Over the past 20 years, the International Seabed Authority (ISA) has been paving the way for deep seabed mining in the world's oceans.

Operating in darkness, at extreme pressure and depths of more than 4,000 metres, it's predicted that within five years, global corporations and state-controlled companies will be mining the seabed for minerals such as zinc, cobalt, lithium and other rare earth elements.

But a recent independent review found that the ISA is under-resourced, not transparent and in need of a significant boost to its institutional capacity to properly regulate mining when it starts.

Listen to the interesting full episode - <http://www.abc.net.au/radionational/programs/breakfast/deep-seabed-mining-likely-within-five-years/7585330>

