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This months Metalwork news :



The view down Victoria Street just gets more and more impressive in terms of a city in rebuild mode. We have been fortunate to win business to provide

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metalwork to the Higgs project at Knox Church, several of the Clearwater Construction buildings, and the Norwest Building for Fletcher Construction (our work completed as a subbie to John Jones Steel), all located on Victoria street and all for 2014.

Closer to home we have been pleased with the work we've completed for local businesses in the Harewood and Burnside area, with many relishing the availability of a reliable metalworker close by.

At times the traffic congestion in the central city and down Wairakei Road can be a problem, and would seem one that we all have to get used to.

Like many others involved in the rebuild we've been investing in a new fleet of vehicles to help get our people and products to where they need to be in an effective and flexible manner.

Ian's thoughts



Hello, and welcome to our May newsletter.

We're flat out at work, and always looking for new staff and new opportunities for architectural metalwork. If you have metalwork needs or know of someone looking for a trade job in metalwork please call now!.

This months newsletter is brief with an overview of our new general purpose ute bodies, and some recent jobs we've completed. I hope you find it interesting and useful.

If you need any metalwork completed please contact Aaron, Ben, Bryn or myself.

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General purpose utes

You may remember from last months newsletter that one of our young apprentices Ben has been busy building new ute decks for our new workshop utes. They will generally be used for the architectural metalwork division of our business. We're so pleased with them that we thought we'd feature them in this newsletter.

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1. The ute decks have folding sides and rear.

The top surfaces have been clad in our inserted polymer bearer product to provide a non-marking soft surface to load items onto. Other businesses use this product for trolleys, tables, storage systems etc. The covers are hard wearing canvas completed by our partner Kolorful Kanvas.

2. Triple goalposts

We decided on triple goalposts as we regularly deliver long items to site. When added to the capabilities of our delivery truck these utes give us plenty of delivery options. We anticipate increasing deliveries and manhours onsite as the rebuild speeds up.

3. Signwriting and branding

We worked with our signwriting partner Manning Signs to create this eye catching design featuring treadplate stickering. When this ute turns up at a site there'll be no doubt that the metalworkers have arrived!

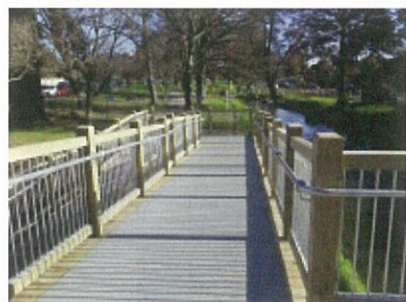


Some recent Metalwork projects

The Fairview Bridge metalwork project was completed with Fulton Hogan. This bridge is a significantly better structure than the one it replaced, both functionally and cosmetically. We supplied the metalwork and installed it during a period of heavy rain and flooding.

This photo shows the mild steel handrails and vertical bar balustrades, all hot dip galvanised for appearance and longevity.

Ben Heese was our project manager and took this job on when he was new



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This beam is being installed in an Akaroa residence. During the Christchurch rebuild most of the larger and hill residential properties will require steel structures and supports. We fabricate the steelwork and coordinate the installation with the main site builder team.

Metro Performance Glass got us to install this crane system in their Christchurch facility. We use "Helm" technology from Germany combined with locally fabricated metalwork to create standalone structures for lifting of up to 1000kg, operating underneath and main factory gantry crane.

This is a bag trolley designed and fabricated for NZ Post Christchurch. Many of these are required to accommodate increased mail volumes through Christchurch. The trolleys are castored and have a painted finish.

Aaron Greig has project managed this job, including development of the bag holding lugs and checking with NZ Post during fabrication to ensure the detail is correct. Fine adjustments to design can make all the difference!



This is another of the rollout of the Z service station kiosks. We started building these steel structures at the time Z was formed. The kiosk is required to be very solid in its construction.

Our company structure, skillsets, equipment, and factory layout suits project jobs and small volume runs of jobs such as this.

If you know of metalwork projects we could help with please call us.



Quote of the month

"Pretend that every single person you meet has a sign around his or her neck that says, 'Make me feel important.'"

Mary Kay Ash (1918–2001)
American businesswoman

Hair like Dolly Parton!



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