

# METCO ENGINEERING

## PROOF OF EXCELLENCE IN MANUFACTURING

*Manufacturing in New Zealand is “not dead and buried” as many would have it and Metco Engineering Ltd is living proof of that, says the Seaview-based firm’s General Manager Mark O’Donnell.*



**M**etco Engineering Limited was named Supreme Business Award Winner at the 2017 Wellington Region Business Excellence Awards held at Upper Hutt’s Expressions Art & Entertainment Centre on November 3. They were also the category winners in the Manufacturing and Distribution section.

Their new 5,000 square metre, state of the art premises at the Quadrant in Bell Road are a hub of manufacturing excellence.

Through investment in technology and using only the best practice, Metco can hold its head up high in competing on the world

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## HUGE CONGRATULATIONS



SUPREME AWARD WINNER

***Metco Engineering Limited***

**ALSO WINNERS OF THE MANUFACTURING & DISTRIBUTION CATEGORY**

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stage – providing a one stop shop operation that begins with the raw products, through the prototype and design stages to the final manufacture and delivery.

“That’s pretty good going from a firm that started in 2002 as a two-man company producing window stays,” says Mark O’Donnell.

Today the company has progressed from

those two men – Brent Greer and Paul Jessup – into a six day a week operation with a staff of 60. They now export the window stays to Japan and China and other places in the world. Along with making anything from gun racks for the New Zealand Defence Force, refitting new lead lights to parliament buildings, ATM Machines, shelving and lockers,

Pizza ovens, mail sorting stations for the Australian postal service, covers for Beehives, right down to metal trinkets for the craftspeople at the Martinborough Fair.

“We are here for everyone from the guy who comes off the street for a replacement part to the large manufacturers, Government Departments and corporates. No job is too big or too small for us.”

Research and Development (R&D) has been a major part of Metco’s successful operation and so has their investment in technology.

“We compete international because of this investment and remain focused on removing cost, safety in design and quality. Next year sees the arrival of \$2.5 million dollars’ worth of new machinery and the best technology money can buy,” says Mark O’Donnell.

“We also focus on and partner with other New Zealand manufactures such as Easy Steel and Dulux for our raw material which helps with our environmental foot print and quality controls.

“Lower Hutt is certainly a great place to base our business close to air and sea-ports and major roads. You only have to look at Seaview and see the development going on there to see how popular – and widely divergent – the manufacturing industry is in the Hutt. It is one of the best kept secrets!” sums up Mark O’Donnell.



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