



Cross Engineering

Founded in 1956 in Garngoch, Gowerton on the site of the Battle of Gower 1136.

Family owned business which had a close business relationship with the Port Talbot steel works.

A vibrant and dynamic work force serving the community.

“Family first, always. Putting a bit away every month in case the ‘bots take over!”

“Working with your hands, there’s no substitute for it. Boys here can turn their hand to anything, wood, stone, metal, mechanics, you name it. Some are really good at designing and doing plans - no training for it, they just have the knack. It’s a chance to earn a few more quid of course. Build you an extension if you want!”

"Out on the bike, up the Black Mountain, or down the Gower - fit as a butchers dog.”

“Look around you. Some of these machines are over 100 years old. There’s a reason they’re still being used, and us behind them. Hand made, craftsmanship, especially with some of the smaller jobs where people want specific things. Those are the most enjoyable. We’ll use the new machines as well of course; the water jet is class in doing the design work.”

“Playing with the band at the weekend. Come and take some pictures. Can’t pay you, but there’ll definitely be a few pints and a good night down Swansea afterwards. Joyo!

“Going off site and the odd trip away. Making sure we’ve done a good job. When you can see what you’ve done - it’s there right in front of you at the end of the day.”

“Making sure everyone pays their dues into the social every week".

“Getting down the club on the weekend for games, or a tour at the end of the season. Had some class trips over the years. Edinburgh’s always the best, win or lose. Losing mostly these days. We’ll be back!

“Seeing the kids doing well at school. I wasn’t the best but I know now how important it is. Look at you going back to college!"

“With things as they are in the world you got to keep going. Make the most of everything. This is a good life down here. Don’t think I’d like it up where you are”

"I liked the question on the poster "take the money or open the box". We had some fun with that. A few of us remember the programme when it first came out and better than most of the nonsense these days. Makes you think that one. I’d take the money. I’m a bit more cautious these days. We’ve got a few philosophers here so you’ll get some deep thinking on that one!"

“Jaws, no question, the first one mind”.