

# Firm celebrates 25 years of change

And the pace isn't slowing yet at Robinson's Electrical

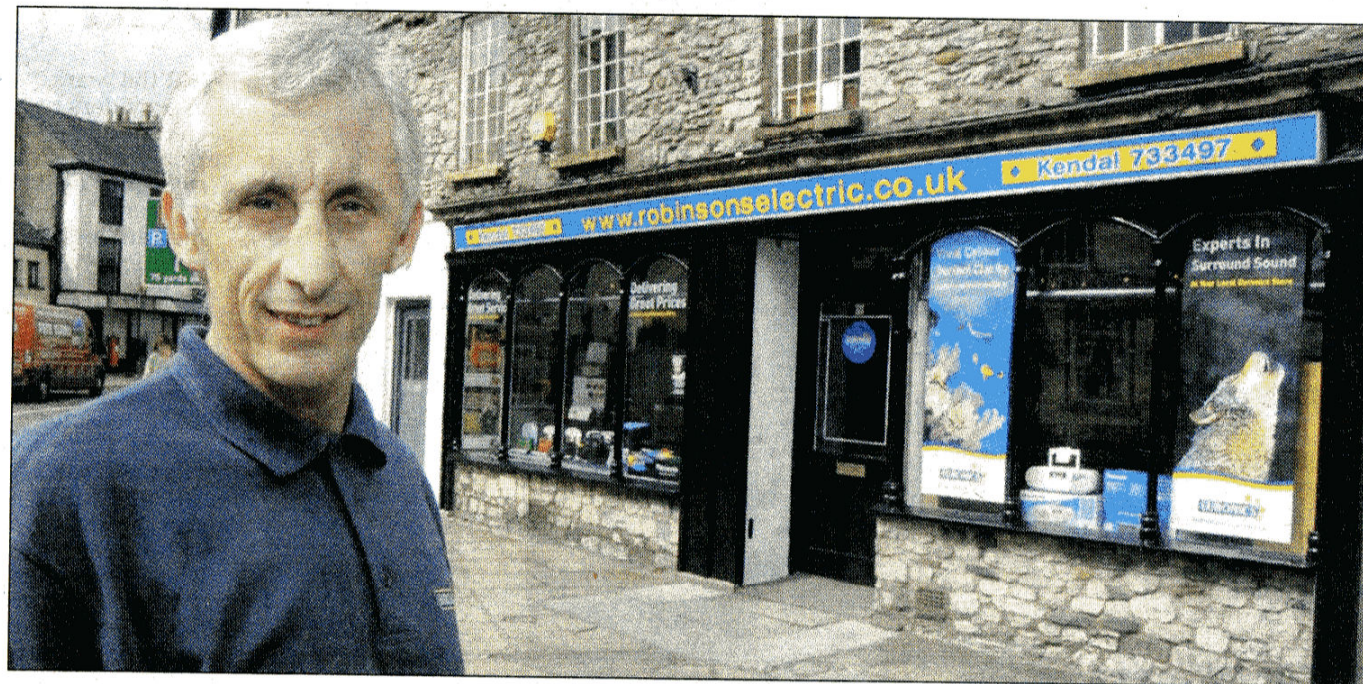
A FAMILY electrical supplies business is celebrating 25 years of providing people and businesses in Lakeland and North Lancashire with their TVs, radios and other home entertainment systems.

Robinsons Electric was founded back in the 1950s but it was a quarter of a century ago when the business was bought by brothers-in-law Barry Speak and Philip Punt.

Barry left the navy in 1984 and teamed up with Philip to buy the Lancaster branch.

Phil was already within the industry, having worked for Sanyo since leaving the Royal Navy himself in 1977.

When Mr Robinson wanted to leave the industry completely in 1987 the Kirkby Lonsdale



HERE'S to the next 25 years of advances in technology, says Barry Speak of Robinson's Electrical in Kendal

branch was added to the portfolio – and then the Kendal shop came along in 1990 to complete the picture.

In the last 25 years technology has moved at a tremendous pace, probably more than it developed in the previous 250 years together.

When Barry and Phil took over the business back in 1984 there were only three TV channels to choose from and only the well-to-do had a remote

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control, while video recorders cost £500-£600 – practically the cost of a small car.

Barry said: "Satellite was introduced in the late 1980s and round the house TVs became the norm.

"Most families had moved from one 'box' to one in each room. The 90s brought digital in terms of satellite, recording, radio

and a bonanza of multiple channels – and the next decade promises even more with internet TV, wireless feeds around the house and the much talked about 3D TV."

Robinsons Electric have been there throughout and, come recession or shine, plan to be available for the next 25 years and beyond as technology takes us forward.

In celebrating 25 years Phil and Barry together with Phil's son Graham

and long-standing employee David (Doc) Holliday would like to thank all their customers past and present for their support and ability to keep them on their toes.

In the future, should you wish to watch anything from your favourite soap through to the latest dlna internet technology, Robinsons will be here to give good advice with a good measure of common sense.

Here's to the future.

