

**Turners Motors, London Road, Wheatley, Oxford.**

**Telephone: Wheatley 9**

*I started work at Turners Motors in 1950 as Apprentice Motor Car Engineer.*

*The owner was a Mr. Reg. Crook. He left the running of the garage to his Son, Mr. Roy Crook in partnership with Mr. Barry T. Burton.*

*The garage was 100 % Esso petrol and oils.*

*Car repair work was being run down when Wheatley A40 bypass was built, and petrol sales went overnight. They had to diversify so in around 1956/7 they started to repair grass machinery. Most work came in from the Oxford College gardens and sports grounds. They became a Ransoms grass machinery dealer going on to be a main dealer for Toro machines for golf clubs. They were the very first Flymo dealer in the U.K. and became the Flymo dealership for all South West England. They also became a main dealership for Webber BBQs. But despite all this, the Company (now known as Turners of Wheatley) went in administration in the Summer of 1984.*

*Mrs. Jean Crook still held the deeds to Turners of Wheatley when it was demolished to make way for the new development of Flats. (Robins Court).*

*Tony D'Anger ( Anthony)*