

## April 22<sup>nd</sup> 1972 Faringdon Venture

Faringdon's modern Fire Station, was opened in 1961 from where, under the leadership of Sub Officer C. G. Cornwell, the following team of men are called out to deal with incidents over a wide area.

Leading Fireman F. J. Fox; Leading Fireman M. Woolford; Firemen B. Stepp, D. Ball, R. Fox, J. Wood, C. Cornwell, R. Rideout, W. Law & A. Horler. This year, Fireman Stepp will complete 30 years continuous service with the Brigade.

All these men are volunteers who give up their time, not only to fight fires, but also to engage in a strenuous programme of training. Each Monday is drill night & each Wednesday finds them parading again to clean & maintain vehicles & equipment.

Faringdon's part-time firemen again showed what a fine body of men they are when, on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> April at 18.31 hours the siren went, & in 2 minutes flat the first engine was racing towards the fire. The fire, at Faringdon Town Social Club, was a fairly small one & was quickly brought under control. Damage to the ground floor store was only slight but it could have been much worse if the firemen had been delayed. The first firemen on the scene were Leading Fireman Woolford & Fox, Foremen C. Cornwell, Stepp & Harler, all ably led by Sub-Officer G. Cornwell.



# Firemen on call

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May 1992 Faringdon Fire Fighters in Station Road.

L. to R. Back:- David Arlott; Mark Stone; Rod Coles; Trevor Timpson; Maurice Woolford; Bernard Hartley-Yates; John Banfield; Paul Rutherford.

Front Row:- Steve Smith; Ashley Lyneham; Doreen Jackson; William Law; Mike Weaver; Graham Reed.