WELCOME The first issue of 2015 outlines some dates to remember for this year. Ideal for sticking on the fridge to keep an eye on what’s coming up. The next newsletter is due at the end of May. If you would like to help with the production or have an article included please contact Ann Farrell on 852832 or email oakleycomrienews@gmail.com by Friday 8th May.

OAKLEY & COMRIE COMMUNITY COUNCIL
At the recent Fife wide Community Council Elections Oakley & Comrie failed to put forward enough nominations to form a Community Council. After a petition to the Council new elections will take place on Thursday 26th March 2015. Nomination Packs can be found on Fife Direct or by contacting John Bonnar on 850882. Nomination forms must be handed in/posted to Fife Council Election Services Unit no later than 4pm on Thursday 26th February. Contact Bill Welsh on 03451 55 55 55 ext 442176 for more information.

WE ARE ACTIVE OAKLEY AND COMRIE
Oakley Campus
Alongside Parents Night
Tuesday 24th March 3.30pm - 5.30pm
Wednesday 25th March 5pm - 7pm
Bring your grannies, granddad’s, aunties’ uncles and cousins! Everyone welcome.
Community groups, community education, health services, sports groups and schools are just some of the groups working in the villages who are coming together as part of the Sports Hub and Community Futures Project to showcase how their work is improving the lives of the community. Come along and try some new activities or just see what’s going on. Refreshments available.

OCEAG - OAKLEY & COMRIE EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES GROUP
After a busy end to last year with a Race Night, Fireworks Display, Christmas Parties and the Santa’s Grotto the Committee would like to thank all of the groups’ members and volunteers who made the events possible.

Santa’s Grotto Christmas Eve
At the first meeting of the group this year a full programme of events for the year ahead was planned (see page 4).
If you would like to volunteer to help at any of the events contact a member of the committee. The next meeting is at 6pm on Monday 6th March.
Contact Renee Foy 852986 or Ashleigh Dykes 07990762817
Facebook Oakley & Comrie Events and Activities Group

Easter Fun Day
Saturday 4th April 12-3pm at The Whitegates

Tickets £3 Available from Committee Members.
includes bouncy castle, Easter craft table, face painting & egg.
Raffle, Tombola, Animals, Duck Races, and much more
TAPIOCA - Take A Pride In Oakley & Comrie Area
The environment group have gained funding from Keep Scotland Beautiful Zero Waste Scotland and have purchased loads of equipment to help with the many clear-ups in the area. The group meet in Oakley Community Centre. The next meeting is on Tuesday 25th February at 6.15pm in the community centre.
Nickie Fowler tapiocaecogroup@outlook.com
Cllr Bobby Clelland cllr.bobby.clelland@fife.gov.uk

Clearing up after the Firework Show.

OAKLEYONIANS REUNION
Checkout Facebook or contact Sharon Anne Hall on 07900274965 to get your tickets to the reunion of Oakleyonians (someone brought up or at school in Oakley). This should be a great night with people travelling from far and wide to be there.

**OAKLEYONIANS REUNION SATURDAY 28 March 2015**

OAKLEY CLUB
7.30-12.30 (Vacate club by 1am latest)
ENTERTAINMENT:
Velour Amour live function band
Stevie Agnew

**COMRIE COMMUNITY CENTRE**
Our first committee meeting of the year took place on 4th February. It was very well attended with lots of new suggestions for new activities. Keep an eye on our website, Facebook and the notice boards for news about the exciting events happening in and around Comrie later this year.

Play Park
We have a consultation meeting with Fife Council and residents planned for Tuesday 17th March from 6 to 9pm in Comrie Community Centre. Please support this venture, your opinions do matter. Everyone is welcome.

Ladies Pamper Night
Friday 6th March from 7:30pm. Contact the community centre for tickets which are £5. If you haven't been to one of our nights now is your chance for a fun night of pampering, raffle, good company with great nibbles and you bring your own bubbly. What more could you want!

Phone: 07879 888654  Facebook Comrie Community Centre
Email: info@comriecc.com
Web: www.comriecc.com

OCHILVIEW CRECHE
Ochilview Creche, based in Oakley Community Centre, caters for children up to pre school age. Sessions run for 2 hrs and costs £4.60 including a healthy snack. (see page 4 for opening times). For more information contact Elaine on 0740668347 or pop in to the crèche.

NAPPUCINO
The first Monday of every month from 9.30am-11.00am in the Rustic Dog cafe in Blairhall there’s a chance for mums, grans, mums to be to chat and find out more about cloth nappies.

Volunteer Fair
Wednesday 11th March
2pm-8pm
at Valleyfield Community Centre,

An opportunity for voluntary groups to promote the work they do, meet with other voluntary organisations and recruit new volunteers. If you would like to have a stall at the fair or just come along to find out about the support available for groups please contact Aileen Aitken (Community Education Worker, Welfare Reform). Email Aileen.Aitken@fife.gov.uk or text on 07507396407 before 23rd February.

Fife Voluntary Action will be in attendance and there will also be information about the welfare reform changes.

Aileen is happy to help with producing the Volunteer Role Description or if you need support with transport or other help to access the event.

The Fused Glass Group is one of the many groups in Comrie Community Centre.
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Fife Community Food Project
Lifting our Mood with Food
Practical Food and Health programme
Fed up eating the same foods? Wanting for cost-effective ways to add variety to your diet? Wanting to develop your confidence with cooking and learn how to make healthy and affordable food choices?

This course has been so popular that the upcoming session is already full. We plan to run further sessions so if you think you would like to come along then please contact us and let us know.

Hazel Jow at Oakley Community Centre on 03451 555 555 ex 492400 or email hazel.jow@fife.gov.uk
Or Kirsty Ross Community Education Worker on 03451 555555 ex 493976 or email kirsty.ross@fife.gov.uk.
Please let us know if you require childcare and we will try our best to accommodate you.

OAKLEY COMMUNITY CENTRE
To contact the Community Centre or to make bookings call 602344.
The Community Centre Management Committee meets on the 3rd Thursday of the month at 6.45pm. At present we are planning to make better use of the garden area and will be painting the new container with some art work which will be designed by the user groups in the centre.

Fit Kids
Fit Kids Boot Camp with George Orr gives your kids a chance to get into good exercise habits with various activities each week. Classes are 6-7pm on Mondays for ages 4-12 and costs only £1 per child. Bring a drink of water and wear trainers for your work out!

Family Night
Family Night has various activities such as film nights, arts & crafts and bouncy castle nights so come along on a Friday from 5-7pm for some family fun. We enjoyed using the new projection screen for our Frozen Singalong. £1 per child (max £2 per family). Snack and drinks included.
Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Friday 13th March family Night will be having a special fun night with the bouncy castle, face painting and much more. All proceeds to Comic Relief

Oakley Parent & Toddler Group
We are a fun and friendly group of parents/carers that meet up with our children every Monday from 1pm to 3pm at Oakley Community Centre. £2.00 per family includes a snack for the children and tea/coffee for the parents. LIKE us on Facebook or check out our web page for more info www.oakleyparentandtoddlergroup.co.uk

Youth and Children’s Clubs
See page 4 for weekly session times. Check out West Fife Villages Youthwork Facebook page for more information or contact the community centre.

Citizens Advice & Rights Fife
Oakley Community Centre
every Tuesday between 2pm and 3.30pm
Citizens Advice and Rights Fife have implemented a series of POP UP clinics to combat the increase in demand due to many changes to the benefits system. These can affect people whether in work, unable to work or seeking work.
We are able to give advice and help on all aspects of benefits whether it’s about tax credits, sanctions, overpayments or reductions.
We also provide expertise and advice on all aspects of debt, budgeting or any other money concerns.
We can check to see if people are receiving all the help they are entitled to and can help with any claims.
Indeed whatever the problem, we will try and ensure everyone knows their options and gets the right help and assistance to deal with the issues.
You can check out our website, www.carfweb.org or call our dedicated help line on 0345 1400 092.

CREDIT UNION
Are you interested in joining a Credit Union? Savings can earn up to 8% per year. A Credit Union is a non-profit making organisation, democratically owned and controlled by its members, based on one person one vote, no matter how much savings you have. For a standard loan, Fife Credit Union charges 12.68% APR. This is equal to an interest charge of £6.56 per year for every £100 borrowed.
For further information www.fifecreditunions.co.uk or Telephone 0800 085 5803

WEA OAKLEY DISCUSSION GROUP
We are a social group who meet in Oakley Community Centre every Tuesday from 10.30am-12.00pm (school term time only) to discuss a wide range of subjects. Contact Margaret Headrick on 850247 for more info.

OAKLEY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION AND CLUB
There is entertainment with a guest artist on Saturday evenings.
Various groups use the venue for classes including Keep Fit. The main hall with dance floor is available to book for functions.
For details of membership fees or to book a function call 850356 or email oakleyclub1@btinternet.com

OAKLEY & COMRIE PENSIONERS ASSOCIATION
The Pensioners meet in Oakley Club on the last Wednesday of the month (with a break in July and August) from 7pm-10pm. There is entertainment and refreshments. Entry cost £1 per person. Contact Helen George 850672 for more details.
**WEEKLY CLASSES**

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**DATES TO REMEMBER THIS YEAR**

**February**
- Tuesday 24th 6.15pm TAPIOCA meeting in Oakley CC
- Wednesday 25th 1.00pm-3.00pm Lifting our mood with food in Oakley CC
- Thursday 26th at 4.00pm deadline for Community Council nominations

**March**
- Monday 9th 5.00pm-6.00pm Sports Hub meeting Oakley Campus
- Monday 9th 6.00pm-7.00pm OCEAG meeting Oakley CC
- Wednesday 11th 2.00pm-8.00pm Volunteer Fair in Valleyfield Community Centre,
- Friday 13th Family Night Red Nose Day Fun Night
- Thursday 19th 6.45pm Oakley CC Management Committee
- Tuesday 24th 3.30pm – 5.30pm We Are Active Oakley and Comrie/ School parents evening at Oakley Campus
- Wednesday 25th 5.00pm-7.00pm We Are Active Oakley and Comrie/ School parents evening at Oakley Campus
- Thursday 26th Community Council election
- Saturday 28th 7.30pm Oakleyonians Reunion in Oakley Club

**April**
- Saturday 4th 12.00pm-3.00pm – OCEAG Easter fun day at the Whitegates
- Thursday 16th 6.45pm Oakley CC Management Committee
- May
- Thursday 21st 6.45pm Oakley CC Management Committee
- Weekend of 30th/31st OCEAG street collection for gala funds

**June**
- Thursday 18th 6.45pm Oakley CC Management Committee
- Saturday 27th OCEAG Summer Ceilidh at the Whitegates

**August**
- Saturday 15th Oakley & Comrie Gala at Oakley Park

**September**
- Thursday 21st 6.45pm Oakley CC Management Committee

**October**
- Wednesday 7th OCEAG / Pensioner’s Association Prize Bingo in Oakley Club
- Thursday 15th 6.45pm Oakley CC Management Committee

**November**
- Saturday 7th OCEAG Fireworks Display at Comrie CC
- Thursday 19th 6.45pm Oakley CC Management Committee

**December**
- Christmas Eve Santa’s Grotto at Oakley CC

If you are planning events throughout the year in Oakley and Comrie we would love you to add them to our Village Diary.

**West Fife & Coastal Villages Police**
In an emergency always dial 999.
For non-urgent crime, you can contact your local police office by telephoning 101.