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Newsletter



Matlock Victorian Christmas Market 2nd, 3rd, 4th, December

Once again Matlock is staging its very popular Victorian Christmas Weekend, which is to be held over the weekend of Friday, Saturday & Sunday 2nd, 3rd, 4th December.



As usual 2 giant Marquees will house over 150 stalls providing you with an enviable range of craft and a huge selection of Christmas gifts for all your family and friends

Find your festive feet with all the traditional attractions at this established family focused weekend with something to attract, entertain and delight everyone.



There will also be the ever popular mulled wine stall plus hot potatoes, drinks and other seasonal foods, a Christmas Fun Fair featuring Proctor's Classic Dodgems and much more.



Kylie Pentelow

The annual Parade and Christmas lights switch on in Matlock is firm favourite with locals and visitors alike!

It's your chance to see one of the fabulous illuminated boats from the recent season at

Matlock Bath up close and of course give Santa a huge wave as he brings our special guest star from BBC East Midlands Kylie Pentelow all the way to the Bandstand for the annual 'big switch on' of the Christmas lights

Chairman of the organising committee Councillor Geoff Stevens said "We're looking forward to yet another successful year to round off the Centenary of Hall Leys Park, all the arrangements are well in hand with an early large take up of stalls. Over the years we have been encouraging our stallholders and shop staff to dress in Victorian or Fancy dress outfits and I would like to encourage Matlock residents to take an active part in the weekend by coming along in either Victorian or Fancy dress to provide a real party atmosphere to start off the Festive Season".



More than just shopping ...

With a full programme of entertainment on each day from 10.00am there is sure to be



something to keep everyone happy over the weekend. Award winning Children's entertainment including James McKay with his Famous Owls, Chester the Clown, Mix and Mingle Magic, Zio's & Mimbo Robotics and Phil Blackmore Fire Eater and Juggler.

There is also musical entertainment from the Long Eaton Militaires Carnival Show Band, Derby Midshipman Carnival Show Band, The Acapella Steel Band and local artist Mark Handley & friends. A selection of Street Organs will provide atmospheric music throughout the weekend



The Christmas Parade takes place as usual on the Saturday starting at 4.45pm Father Christmas and the rest of our special guests



lead the parade in coaches supplied by Caroline Dale of The Red House Stables at Darley Dale.

On Sunday throughout the day, the Superhero Storm Troopers will be on hand to provide thrills and excitement and as always, the weekend closes with the popular Christmas Firework Display.

Food Festival launch at Victorian Christmas Weekend

Presenting our first Local Food Festival with all our local food heroes.

The Loaf—locally baked artisan bread

The Mess Tent - serving homemade refreshments

Country Kitchen and

Crafts—all your pickles, preserves and jams

Kirsopps Pork—sausages, bacon, and black pudding specialist

Middle Mountains Organic Toasted Museli, giving you all the energy you need in the run up to Christmas!

Taylor made cakes and goodies - sausage rolls, pastries cheese scones from the newest member of the Matlock Farmers Market family

Garden Farm—order your locally raised Turkey for Christmas, felt goods and poultry.

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Cllr Barry Hopkinson, The Mayor of Matlock

As we approach the year end, I wanted to take the opportunity to reflect on our beautiful town and some of the official events that I have attended as Mayor.

It has been an interesting time, with development in the trade and business communities, new traders in Matlock and the monthly Farmers Markets at the Imperial Rooms going from strength to strength.

Notable events during the year have included, the Hall Leys 100 celebrating the 100th birthday of our lovely park with over 100 community led events taking place.

The opening of the new ARC Leisure Centre, a project supported and partially funded by the Town Council. The Peak Rail line extension into Matlock Railway Station allowing visitors and local residents to enjoy steam travel.

Finally, Matlock was awarded a prestigious Silver award in the East Midland in Bloom competition and I send my thanks to the hard work of council staff and Matlock in Bloom volunteers alike.

My official engagements have included: Attending the Army Cadets summer camp at Strensall near York where Matlock attachment took an active part and the inauguration of HM Lord Lieutenants cadets at Derby chosen from cadets of the Army, Air Force and Navy.

Finally, I was pleased to attend the unveiling of the heritage Commemorative Plaques at Matlock Town Hall and Matlock Railway Station

It was a breath of fresh air to welcome new members to Matlock Town Council following the May elections with Cllr Peter Wildgoose who is in his early 20s, being elected as Deputy Mayor

I send best wishes to everyone for a very Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year

Diary dates:

Matlock Farmers Market



**Held at the Imperial Rooms on the
3rd Saturday of every month,
it has the very best local produce available**

You will find the best sausages and bacon, the finest chocolates, cakes, artisan baked bread, Locally grown seasonal fruit and vegetables, delicious jams and chutneys and handmade cards

Join us to buy the best local produce
from the best local producers.

17th December

21st January

18th February

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2011 Raft Race

Don't forget to make a diary date for the annual Boxing Day Raft Race from Matlock to Cromford Meadows. 2011 will be the forty ninth raft event and over the past five years the number of rafts has steadily increased to a staggering forty six rafts with an average of six to eight 'sailors' on each raft.



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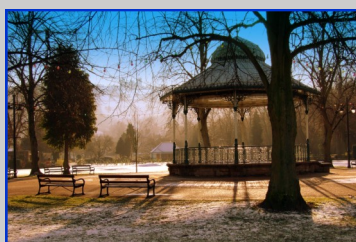
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Derbyshire County Council

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RSPCA

0870 55 55 999
www.rspca.org.uk

Police: 0345 123 3333

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www.trentbarton.co.uk

Neighbourhood Watch

020 7963 0160
www.neighbourhoodwatch.net



Crime Stoppers:

0800 555 111
www.crimestoppers-org.uk

East Midlands Airport

01332 852852

Post Office Services

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Derbyshire Fire & Rescue Service:

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Matlock Lido

01629 582843

Flood Line

0845 988 1188
www.environment-agency.gov.uk

Citizens Advice

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01629 57482
Email:
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