

## Matlock Victorian Christmas Weekend 4th, 5th, 6th December

Once again Matlock is staging its very popular Victorian Christmas Weekend, which is to be held this year over the weekend of Friday, Saturday & Sunday 4th, 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> December.



There will once again be two Marquees housing around 150 stalls including a selection of Crafts,

Local Produce and a large selection of Christmas gifts for all the family.

As usual there will be a specialist continental market selling a range of foods and goods to add that final finishing touch to your Christmas.



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



Matlock Mayor and chairman of the organising committee Councillor Geoff Stevens said "Over the years we have been encouraging our stallholders and shop

staff to dress in Victorian or Fancy dress outfits. In my year as Mayor I would like to encourage Matlock residents to come along in either Victorian or Fancy dress to provide a real party atmosphere to start off the Festive Season".

Switching on the Christmas Lights on Saturday will be the popular TV and Radio presenter Nicola



Bestwick. Presenting the weather is not the only talent that Nicola possesses. Starting early at the age of 9 she was a Blue Peter Badge Winner. She then went on to work with Chris Tarrant at Capital Radio and he nicknamed her "Nicola Nightmare" as this was her response whenever he asked her how the roads were performing.

She is hoping to bring perfect weather with her and is thrilled to be taking part in Father Christmas's procession and switching on the Christmas 2009 lights.

## So much to see and do at Matlock Victorian Christmas Market Weekend!

There will be a programme of entertainment over the weekend from 10.00am with award winning Children's entertainment



which includes Zios & Mimbo Robotic Entertainers, Chester the Clown, Jay Linn's Circus Arts, and Magic by Mix & Mingle. James McKay will have his Famous Owls on display.

There is also musical entertainment from Von Winkler's Bavarian Band, a selection of street Organs and local artist Mark Handley & friends.

**Matlock Live!** will also be helping to involve the local community in the parade and are providing additional all day entertainment on the bandstand.

At 4.30pm on Saturday the **Christmas Parade**, led by the Coach and Horses provided by The Red House Stables, Darley Dale, will bring our Celebrity and Dignitaries to the Bandstand for the Christmas Lights switch-on.



On Sunday at 4.30pm on the Bandstand one of the Countries top Tribute artists "**Kim Robinson**" presents her tribute to Divas through the ages which include Mariah Carey, Cher, Celine Dion, Tina Turner, Diana Ross, etc. This will be followed by the ever popular **Christmas Firework Display**.

## 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, organic artisan baked bread, locally made cheese, seasonal organic fruit and vegetables, fantastic fairy cakes, delicious jams and chutneys and of course all the best ideas for gifts and cards from our varied craft stalls.

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

**18th December  
16th January  
20th February**

**Matlock Late Night Christmas Shopping  
Friday 4th December—Shop local and support our local traders!**

## Transition Matlock Matlock Christmas Menu

Keep an eye out on the **Transition Matlock Website** [www.transitionmatlock.org](http://www.transitionmatlock.org) for ideas, hints and tips on how to 'eat local' over the festive season



# Matlock Derwent Valley Lions Club

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Matlock Derwent Valley Lions Club have again invited **Santa** to visit their log cabin Grotto at the Matlock Victorian Christmas Weekend, which is next to the café in Hall Leys Park. The log cabin background was designed and built by students at Anthony Gell School in Wirksworth.

Santa will be there from **10.00 am on Saturday and Sunday**, during the Victorian Christmas Weekend, and stay until all children who want to see him have been through the grotto. This is an annual attraction, which the Lions have organised from the very first Victorian Christmas Weekend.



if they would like to bring them along as well.

Every child visiting the grotto, will receive a present from Santa, who will be happy to receive children's present lists,

This is a very busy weekend for the Lions, as they have to build the grotto on the Friday and then erect the awning and other features, before Santa arrives on Saturday. Fortunately, Santa always has a friendly local person, with a spare barn, to look after Rudolph until his work is done.



The Lions are always on the look out to recruit more members, both men and women. If you would like to find out more about what they do, then come along to the Grotto while you are in Matlock, and talk to any of them. They can be easily identified by their distinctive tabards.

The Matlock Derwent Valley Lions meet on the second Monday of each month from 8pm at The Square & Compass, Darley Bridge, Darley Dale, Matlock.

Social evenings are usually held on 4th Monday of the month at various locations.

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