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Reform Social & Grill, Mandeville Place
T: 020 7224 1624, www.reformsocialgrill.co.uk



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A New Year's Eve feast

CLASSIC FRENCH restaurant Galen has not only launched a three-course Sunday lunch menu (£25.50 for three courses), it will also be open for a New Year's Eve feast on December 31. There will be live music from Moby-Dub and his telephone-dub, in addition to gourmet food, with an early and late sitting (from £95). What better way to ring in the New Year and celebrate the restaurant's 10th anniversary.

Galen, Grand de Luxe, 90 Baker Street
T: 020 7593 4007, www.galenrestaurants.com



Winter Wonderland returns



THE WINTER WONDERLAND is holding another Winter Wonderland extravaganza in Hyde Park this year. Popular attractions from previous Winterland events like the Magical Ice Kingdom, giant observation wheel, ice rink and Zippin's Christmas Circus have returned bigger and better than ever. The children too get to visit Father Christmas in his grotto, Circus Denzel is a death-defying evening show that sees five acrobats riding at over 50mph inside a steel cage joined by a troupe of over 30 jugglers, acrobats, contortionists and dancers.

Winter Wonderland, Hyde Park
www.hydeparkwinterwonderland.com

Inspired winter crafts

THE NEW YEAR Christmas happenings for all ages at Herford House this year. On December 12, there will be a festive lights class (9.00), for adults to take inspiration from the Wallace Collection's Renaissance Venetian glassware when creating their own glass-castles tea light holders.

Furthermore, for families, on December 5 there will be the opportunity to make tree decorations inspired by the Wallace Collection.

Wallace Collection, Herford House, Manchester Square
T: 020 7340 6000, www.wallacecollection.org



Hardy's delivers all the trimmings

HARDY'S CHRISTMAS menu (£38.00) will be available from December 7 and includes traditional carols of turkey with all the trimmings and Christmas pudding, alongside post-noon beverages such as slow-cooked beef with stuffed mash and Cornish cod with pug lentils and kale.

Hardy's Brasserie, 53 Dorset Street
T: 020 7492 9000, www.hardysrestaurants.com

Gail's famous bakes

GAIL'S SANDHY'S Christmas offering is certain to be a whetting appetite of yours. Purvese Village. The bakery will of course be making more of its famous mince pies (£1.00), plus a lovely Christmas cake (£7.00) and exclusive Christmas biscuits baked with Gillon. The full range will be in business on December 1.

Gail's Bakery, 4-6 Seymour Place
T: 020 7194 9000, www.gailsbakery.co.uk

