

MIDLAND AND SOUTHERN REGIONAL RALLY IN Wolverhampton

On Saturday 12th June 2010 in the city of Wolverhampton took place The Midland and Southern Regional Rally. It was attended by Sumivtsi from Waltham Cross, Derby, Coventry, Leicester, London, Nottingham and Wolverhampton.

The day started in the parish church of Sts. Volodymyr & Olha where Fr. Davyd Senyk and Fr. Mykola Matviyivskiy conducted a litany of gratitude service in front of a packed assembly of Sumivtsi, parishioners and guests. After the service, Sumivtsi filed into their local ranks alongside the church where they were cordially welcomed by the Chairman of the Wolverhampton branch of CYM and Komandant of this year's regional rally Mychailo Fedyk. In his opening speech Mychailo spoke of Wolverhampton's first ever staging of the Rally in this their 60th Anniversary Year, "A day in which the very founders of our Youth Association would have been proud of, a wonderful moment that is now written into the pages of our history". This was followed by the Svyatochnyj Nakaz read by Ira Woron.

It was a huge honor to have Bohdan Prychydnyj, the President of the Youth Association of Great Britain present who welcomed all, and congratulated Wolves on the organization of the Rally and wished all artists success in the competition. The official opening ceremony closed with each oseredok joining the parade march round the church of Sts. Volodymyr and Olha.

The concert/competition portrayed the beauty of our Ukrainian culture. All performances were of the highest standard and gave great pleasure to the audience.

The results summary of the competition :- Wolverhampton 2 first places from 3 entries, London 6 first places from 9, Nottingham 4 first places from 9, Derby 3 first places from 3, Coventry 1 first place from 1 and Waltham Cross 1 first place from 2. Many congratulations to all the winners and may God bless you with success in the National Finals in July.

Even outside of the competition the air was filled with music and song with impromptu performances. During the evening 2 stars from Chorna Rhoza kept the crowds entertained into the night, others watched and cheered on the World Cup match England v USA on the big screen, a memorable day was had, one I'm sure that will remain with us and be talked about for many a day.

Many thanks to all the artists, those that helped and contributed into making it a very special day. To all our guests – without you the day would not have been possible.

"As long as you live – dream and search" – Wolves dreamed and they proudly found.

Mychailo Fedyk – Head of CYM Wolverhampton

Photo's of the day.









From Wolverhampton Branch of Cym