

SYDNEY ALJS ACTIVITIES – Prepared by Emilija Rupsyte.

**Dancing**

- Sukury's is having regular rehearsals and intends to tour Lietuva in 2014
- Currently have 6 pairs, with several dancers recently having moved here from Lietuva, (though some are over 35)

**Scouting**

- most recently, in November scouts cleaned the graves of Lithuanians who have passed and attended the All Souls Day mass at the Lithuanian Church
- in 2013, scouts also attended mass for Sv. Kazimero proga at the Lidcombe Church, after which free baronkas were handed out to parishioners
- There was a "laisve" themed stovykla in April, where children had the opportunity to explore different types of laisve

In Sydney, the Lithuanian bendromone has found it difficult to maintain contact. This is partly due to logistical issues. There is a general feeling amongst the community that the location of the Lithuanian club may also have a hindering effect, with Bankstown being 45 minutes away from the city centre, where many newly arrived Lithuanians reside, and who are often restricted to public transport.

As the Sydney representative, I intend to plan a summer BBQ to engage the wider ALJS community, and will make sure to let the committee know how it goes.

Sekmes su susirinkimu!