### Borella Ride highlight of Anzac salute

**Steve Menzies**

AN insight into Territorian Albert Borella, one of the rare group of Australians to be awarded a Victoria Cross, will be provided to Centralians on Thursday.

He is the only Territorian, and one of 96 Australians, to receive the medal – this country’s highest award for valour.

Lieutenant Borella received his medal on September 16, 1918. But the determination and dedication which earned him the respect of his troops and eventually the medal in Gallipoli, were called into force even before he left Australia.

In early 1915 he began walking from Tennant Creek to enlist in the army. He walked, swam, rode, hitched a ride and finally caught the train from Pine Creek to complete his trek. Then he had to borrow the fare to catch a boat to Townsville as the Commonwealth Government was not accepting NZ recruits.

The Borella Ride is being held from February 20 to March 3 to symbolically retrace his journey from Tennant Creek to Darwin.

Elements of The Albert Borella Travelling Display will be at Alice Plaza on Thursday and Friday from 10 to 3pm.

Dr Tom Lewis will also be giving a talk at the Alice Springs Public Library at 5pm on Thursday.

The family of Victoria Cross recipient Albert Borella will re-create his epic journey from Tennant Creek to Darwin this month in commemoration of the Anzac centenary. Grandson of Albert, Richard Borella (pictured), will ride on horseback in the re-enactment.

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### Event reveals resource potential

**REGISTRATIONS** have opened for the Annual Geoscience Exploration Seminar (AGES) to be held in Alice Springs on March 17-18.

The event has secured a strong program of technical government and industry presentations that offer insights into the Territory’s resource potential. NT Geological Survey executive director Dr Ian Scrimgeour said the seminar would highlight outstanding opportunities for explorers.

“The event is particularly useful for companies that are looking to get an understanding of the Territory’s minerals and oil and gas potential, current exploration activity and new exploration opportunities,” he said.

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### Dengue packs a sting for travels

CENTRALIANS travelling to Asian destinations are being reminded to protect themselves against mosquitoes after the emergence of a high number of dengue fever cases.

The Centre for Disease Control (CDC) said there was always a risk of the viral illness, but already this year there had been 14 notified cases. Travellers going to Bali, other parts of Indonesia, Sri Lanka, Myanmar and East Timor have been affected.

CDC director Dr Vicki Krause said dengue fever was severe.

“There is no vaccine against dengue fever and no specific medical treatment for this debilitating condition,” she said.

... Dengue fever mosquitoes are active throughout daylight hours. Protecting yourself against mosquito bites is the only way to prevent dengue fever.”

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### Lawrie eyes CLP in Alice

**Matt Garrick**

NEVER in history have the Northern Territory Labor Party won a seat in Alice Springs, but recent political turmoil has leaders hoping this pattern could finally change.

Labor leader Delia Lawrie made an under-the-radar trip to the region late last week to meet with stakeholders and canvas potential candidates.

Ms Lawrie indicated the party were looking at “good candidates” to run against the embattled CLP, which holds four seats in the Centre.

“We’ll have really strong, good candidates who are deeply connected with the community here,” Ms Lawrie said.

... who understand the needs and concerns of local residents and who will be a strong voice for the community in what I hope to be a future Labor government.”

She said she was in Alice Springs, “putting our party on notice – we’re going into campaign mode”.

“You cannot have this much chaos and dysfunction in the government and not get prepared for an election.”

Although the next NT election is currently scheduled for August 2016, pundits say a vote for a motion of no-confidence on the Giles Government could be possible before this time. Such a vote would spark the process which triggers an early election.

Despite Labor’s failed history in Alice Springs, Ms Lawrie said her party would be ready to pounce.

“The feedback I’m getting from residents of Alice Springs is they don’t feel they’ve been well served by the Giles Government,” she said.

Following the dismissal of Arafura MLA Robyn Lambley from cabinet due to her role in a leadership coup last week, the chief minister is believed to be formulating a new portfolio for the chief minister is believed to be formulating a new portfolio for the chief minister is believed to be formulating a new portfolio for the chief minister is believed to be formulating a new portfolio for the chief minister is believed to be formulating a new portfolio for the chief minister is believed to be formulating a new portfolio for the chief minister is believed to be formulating a new portfolio for the chief minister is believed to be formulating a new portfolio for the chief minister is believed to be formulating a new portfolio for the chief minister is believed to be formulating a new portfolio for the chief minister is believed to be formulating a new portfolio for the chief minister is believed to be formulating a new portfolio for the chief minister is believed to be formulating a new portfolio for the chief minister is believed to be formulating a new portfolio for the chief minister is believed to be formulating a new portfolio for the chief minister is believed to be formulating a new portfolio for the chief minister is believed to be formulating a new portfolio for the chief minister is believed to be formulating a new portfolio for the chief minister is believed to be formulating a new portfolio for the chief minister is believed to be formulating a new portfolio for the chief minister is believed to be formulating a new portfolio for the chief minister is believed to be formulating a new portfolio for the chief minister is believed to be formulating a new portfolio for the chief minister is believed to be formulating a new portfolio for the chief minister is believed to be formulating a new portfolio for the chief minister is believed to be formulating a new portfolio for the chief minister is believed to be formulating a new portfolio for the chief minister is believed to be formulating a new portfolio for the chief minister is believed to be formulating a new portfolio for the chief minister is believed to be formulating a new portfolio for the chief minister is believed to be formulating a new portfolio for the chief minister is believed to be formulating a new portfolio for the chief minister is believed to be formulating a new portfolio for the chief minister is believed to be formulating a new portfolio for the chief minister is believed to be formulating a new portfolio for the chief minister is believed to be formulating a new portfolio for the chief minister is believed to be formulating a new portfolio for the chief minister is believed to be formulating a new portfolio for the chief minister is believed to be formulating a new portfolio for the chief minister is believed to be formulating a new portfolio for the chief minister is believed to be formulating a new portfolio for the chief minister is believed to be formulating a new portfolio for the chief minister is believed to be formulating a new portfolio for the chief minister is believed to be formulating a new portfolio for the chief minister is believed to be formulating a new portfolio for the chief minister is believed to be formulating a new portfolio for the chief minister is believed to be formulating a new portfolio for the chief minister is believed to be formulating a new portfolio for the chief minister is believed to be formulating a new portfolio for the chief minister is believed to be formulating a new portfolio for the chief minister is believed to be formulating a new portfolio for the chief minister is believed to be formulating a new portfolio for the chief minister is believed to be formulating a new portfolio for the chief minister is believed to be formulating a new portfolio for the chief minister is believed to be formulating a new portfolio for the chief minister is believed to be formulating a new portfolio for the chief minister is believed to be formulating a new portfolio for the chief minister is believed to be formulating a new portfolio for the chief minister is believed to be formulating a new portfolio for the chief minister is believed to be formulating a new portfolio for the chief minister is believed to be formulating a new portfolio for the chief minister is believed to be formulating a new portfolio for the chief minister is believed to be formulating a new...