

# Raising our game on ride for life

How a gossip guru has joined sports stars on a 1000km charity ride

**A**FTER all these years of claiming to be allergic to sports, it turns out I have something in common with an Olympian. Who would have thought?

We share a name, we both have never cycled more than 120km and we're both taking part in this year's DBH Road Raise.

But that's just about where the similarities between myself and 2012 World Champion sprinter Matt Glaetzer end.

Road Raise will see 17 of us cycling all the way from Adelaide to Melbourne this week, raising much-needed funds for CanTeen, supporting young people living with cancer.

Among the group are triathletes, local business identities and 2012 AFL Norm Smith Medalist Ryan O'Keefe. It's no place for a

gossip columnist – but here we are. Yesterday our trek took us 155km from the middle of the CBD to Meningie and today we will ride all the way to Robe, clocking just over 188km.

Throughout the week we will stop off in Mt Gambier, Warrnambool, Apollo Bay and Geelong before our final journey into the heart of Melbourne.

All up, the route will log over 1060km by the end of the week. So, please don't beep us as you drive by in your car!

So far we've collectively raised more than \$125,000 but we're aiming to hit \$150,000 by the end of this week. This will provide 6000 hours of support to young people on their cancer journey.

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MELBOURNE-BOUND: Former footballer Ryan O'Keefe, Matt Gilbertson and cycling champ Matt Glaetzer. Picture: DANIEL PHILLIPS