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Long ride for good cause

KARAWARA resident Travis Boehm will endure 750km on a bicycle for a good cause next month when he rides across the South West.

The 39-year-old, who is also Wesley College's financial services manager, is using the Red Sky Ride for Cancer support group SolarisCare as part of his training regime for the Busselton Half Ironman Triathlon event in May.

"Using the ride to increase my personal fitness and raise money for a good cause is really important to me, as well as providing a great base for my ironman training," Mr Boehm said.

Mr Boehm will join 20 cyclists for the eight-day ride from Perth to York, Narrogin, Kojonup, Bunbury, Bridgetown and Mandurah, starting on Sunday, March 2.

"I've been riding for only a year and the support from other riders is fantastic," he said. "Working at Wesley College has heightened my

awareness of supporting the wider community, especially in the financial support of charities.

"For me the Red Sky Ride is going to be the highlight of my cycling schedule this year."

The team of 20 cyclists, six support volunteers and four support vehicles are all senior managers, business owners and professionals who are committed to paying \$1000 to cover their costs.

They have also made time to meet the training and fitness requirements and take the required time off work while juggling family, work and professional commitments.

All funds from the ride will go to SolarisCare, with the event expected to raise more than \$150,000.

A regional route has been chosen to highlight the good work SolarisCare does in various country communities.

Visit www.redskyride.com.au for more information or to donate.



Red Sky rider... Travis Boehm will pedal 750km for charity . Picture: Justin Benson-Cooper