

Breathtaking fundraiser

AT 76 years of age, Jack Evans will be taking on the Nullarbor as a tribute to his late wife Gill.

Driving a restored 1929 Triumph Super Seven and with his daughter Alison by his side, Mr Evans will drive the 4000km journey from Perth to back home in Armidale, NSW, to raise funds for the Australian Lung Foundation.

Mr Evans left Whiteman Park on Sunday, hoping to raise \$3 for every kilometre he drives, equating to about \$12,000 for the whole trip.

His wife died in 2006 after a long battle with chronic obstructive pulmonary disease and Mr Evans said he wanted to spread the message that smoking kills while on the "Triumph for Breath" fundraising drive.

Mr Evans' journey is mimicking that of Percival Armstrong and George Manley, who drove the distance in 1929 in a car identical to that of Mr Evans.

"After years of planning I'm very excited at the thought of finally embark-



ing on this journey, commemorating Armstrong and Manley's drive across Australia," he said.

Mr Evans' round trip involved driving from Armidale to Adelaide, where the car was put on the Indian Pacific to

Perth. He and Alison will now drive through Kalgoorlie, Ceduna, Port Augusta, Broken Hill and Tamworth before arriving in Armidale. The trek was officially launched from the WA Motor Museum at Whiteman Park.