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## 10 year old to bicycle across Australia

Daniel Mallinson will set out to be the youngest to cycle from Perth to Sydney on the 14th September with his father Geoff. If successful he will set the record as being the youngest to make a trans-Australian content crossing by 5 years, having his 10<sup>th</sup> birthday on the journey. Leaving Perth they will head across Western Australia through Kalgoorlie then across the famous Nullarbor plains into South Australia then on to Sydney. They will ride approximately 4,000 km over 5-6 weeks.

Previously Daniel has hiked the iconic Australian bushwalk The Overland Track when 8 years old including climbing Tasmania's highest mountain Mt Ossa (1,617m). He cycles regularly, racing with Central Coast Cycling Club. Geoff is passionate about the outdoors and adventure and was the first to climb all 26 Australian mountains over 2000m in one go in 2012 (A2K).

They will be raising funds for HIV+ children in China through the work of ELIM Kids (GO China). This small not-for-profit helps children who have been abandoned who have contracted the virus by helping to provide a loving home, antiviral medication and an education for orphans with HIV in China. These children are the "lowest of the low" and in an orphanage are isolated from other children and forbidden to attend school or preschool.

Updates will be available during their journey on their blog (http://danmallo.com) including satellite tracking, short videos and photos.

Blog - http://danmallo.com FAQ - http://danmallo.com/faq

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