



No breakfast in bed for mum Roberta

FOR 61-year-old Noosa resident Roberta Gordon, Mothers' Day was her 51st day on the road as she and fellow cyclists pedalled their way around Australia.

Roberta, pictured with 70-year-old Tom Brown (from Mission Beach, Queensland) and 24 other cyclists spent Mothers' Day riding from Brisbane to Nambour and were hosted by members of Caboolture Rotary Club for lunch during their brief stop at Centenary Lakes Park in Caboolture.

The local Rotary club has as-

sisted Roberta with sponsorship in this event.

Roberta is a former triathlete, kayaker and lifesaver.

In 2006 she completed a 2000km ride to Birdsville and on her current ride Roberta aims to raise \$40,000 for Australian Rotary Health. The Great Australian Bike Ride began at Mornington, Victoria, on March 21 and will finish in Melbourne on World Mental Health Day, October 10, after six and a half months and 17,800km through every Australian state and territory.

Roberta and Tom will ride that full distance.

The ride is organised by Australian Rotary Health, a service program of Australian Rotary clubs.

Australian Rotary Health is the largest non-government provider of funds for mental health research in Australia.

The ride and its sponsors will raise awareness of mental illness issues and support research into its causes and effects.

Mental illness affects one in five Australians.