



cycling for charity, Andrewartha said the long periods on the road also gave him ample time to contemplate what he might do once the ride is finished.

“I’ll home to Tassie for a week to see my mum and dad and then to Queensland for a while and after that to the US for a period of time unknown,” he said.

“For some of the riders who have

been doing this from the start, they’ve been on the road since March 21 and it might be difficult for them when they get back to their families and normal day-to-day lives.

“Some of the long-term people have been meeting with a psychologist about coming back to reality, the big advice being not to make any rash decisions yet.

“Although most of us are retired or close to it so maybe it won’t be a huge change. But it’s been a fantastic adventure that will live long in our memories and that’s what matters.”

Andrewartha has raised \$30,000 so far and you can follow his progress at [www.greataustralianbikeride.org.au](http://www.greataustralianbikeride.org.au) or his blog at <http://rossco1957.wordpress.com>.



**HARD LAP:** Ross Andrewartha, right, with fellow rider Geoff de Chanett, from Western Australia.



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