



■ Cancer survivor and fundraiser Wendy Peek

Fundraising Peek in Oz

A HELSTON cancer survivor will be the only woman from this continent hitting the open road in a 1,000-mile charity motorcycle ride in Australia.

Wendy Peek, who lives in Parc Ledden, will join 40 other cancer survivors worldwide for the trip from Brisbane to Sydney on a Harley Davidson to raise money for peer-group support charity Amazon Heart.

All the other riders are from the USA, Hong Kong, South Africa and New Zealand and Australia.

Having lived in Helston as a child, Wendy worked away but moved back to her home town in March where she took early retirement.

This is 56-year-old Wendy's third motorbike ride, having ridden 844 miles around California and 341 miles around the Cotswolds in 2008 when she raised £2,500 for the charity.

Wendy said that she was inspired to learn to ride a motorbike after a pillion ride holiday in Australia and took lessons in 2001. In 2004 she passed her test and bought her silver Harley Davidson. She will begin the ride on May 20.

Having been diagnosed with cancer at the end of 2006, Wendy underwent treatment until August 2007, receiving support from the likes of Macmillan and Breast Cancer Care, organisations that Amazon Heart provide grants for.

To find out more about the ride and to sponsor Wendy, visit www.amazonheartthunder.org