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Help Jason to go round world

WE went to a talk, exhibition and slide show given by Jason Lewis, our local young adventurer, who is circling the world by muscle power using pedal boat, kayak, roller blades, bicycle, walking and pedal balloon.

He had reached Port Douglas, Cairns, Queensland, Australia and was having a short break in Bridport recently before the next part of his journey.

In America he was run over by a short-sighted elderly man driver; both his legs were broken. At one point it was thought that amputation would be necessary.

His surgeon took him to his ranch and cared for him until he was fit enough to continue his journey.

Jason explained that he needed a purpose for his expedition. He now has two:

1 To demonstrate to the world just how resilient the human being can be, when he really puts his mind to it.

2 With his lap top computer, to be in contact with schools and children all over the world, for education and understanding of all creeds and cultures.

There are no big company sponsors for Jason. Nevertheless, much support has come from the Bridport News, Bridport people and people he meets on the way.

For £10 you can have your name painted on his boat.

When he travels through China

financial help will probably be minimal so anyone interested in his efforts may contribute to help him on his way.

He left London in 1994, sent off by the Duke of Gloucester and well wishers, and hopes to complete his expedition in 2004.

For those interested in his progress: Expedition 360. Internet updates: www.goals.com

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We had a completely absorbing evening. Jason held people's interest throughout.

One felt in the presence of a great man.

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