

**PEDAL FOR THE PLANET**  
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# **PEDAL POWER WILL GET BRIT PAIR ACROSS OCEANS**

**T**WO British cyclists are planning to pedal their way round the world — including the oceans!

When they reach water, the pair will pack their mountain bikes into a specially-built boat and keep on pedalling!

And the pedal-powered boat will take the intrepid duo, Jason Lewis, from Dorset, and Wolverhampton man Steve Smith, about 7000 miles of their 25,000-mile trip.

The two men, who're both single, expect their trek to take around two years and three months.

## **Environmental issues**

Along the way, they hope to raise more than £300,000 for the Council for Education in World Citizenship so they can set up a magazine for youngsters, focusing on global environmental issues.

"Steve came up with the idea in the first place and, since we've done crazy things in the past, he naturally thought I'd be mad enough to go with him," explained 26-year-old Jason, who's a

year younger than Steve.

"The thing that makes it different from any other journey is that we will pedal every mile of the way, even across water.

"One of us will pedal while the other rests in the berth.

"Despite crossing the Atlantic and Pacific, our biggest worry is actually the first stretch, crossing the English Channel," added Jason. "That's so busy that we don't want to get mowed down before we even start!"

The duo, who have both given up their jobs to make the journey, Jason as a self-employed cleaning contractor and Steve as a research scientist at Imperial College in London, are currently raising sponsorship for the £70,000 the trip will cost.