



West Sussex couple Karen and Kevin Browne are living out one of their most ambitious dreams — to ride around the world. PICTURE: DAVID BAILEY

# Ambitious journey is a dream realised for duo

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WEST Sussex couple Karen and Kevin Browne are hitting the roads less travelled as they make their way around the world on their modified Moto Guzzi Spada.

The pair were in Bunbury last week, clicking more than 70,000km travelled and checking it off as the 20th country visited, as they made their way south down the WA coast.

The couple, who met 12 years ago and share an enthusiasm for two-wheeled vehicles, arrived in

Australia six months ago and are nearly halfway through their ride around the world.

The half-a-tonne motorcycle was built to allow the couple to be self sufficient with a fridge, winch and a cooker which uses the exhaust to re-heat food.

"We wanted to buy or build a motorcycle that could take us all that way two-up in relative comfort and carry everything we needed to survive with us," Mr Browne said.

"We wanted to have enough storage space to be able to have

the essentials locked away out of sight and out of the weather and to be able to leave the bike for a short time to explore things along the way."

The ambitious journey was the dream of the pair who saved up for 10 years and spent the past five years building and modifying the bike.

The wearied travellers are blogging about their adventure at [www.guzzioverland.co.uk/blogs](http://www.guzzioverland.co.uk/blogs) and will continue south before crossing the Nullarbor Plain to Sydney.