



Hit the road: Australian *Top Gear* host Shane Jacobson farewells the convoy of expensive motor vehicles from Brisbane yesterday. Picture: MARC ROBERTSON

Brisbane to Melbourne road trip hits top gear

CARS worth more than \$2 million have left Brisbane bound for Melbourne as the popular motoring program *Top Gear* takes to the road.

The *Top Gear Live* convoy of 34 cars includes Ferraris, Lamborghinis, Porsches, an Aston Martin DB9 and a classic Corvette Stingray.

Top Gear Live co-host Shane Jacobson took a break from show preparations at the Boondall Entertainment Centre to officially bid the convoy farewell and safe travels.

During the convoy, sponsor Michelin will run the Michelin Energy XM2 Fuel Saving Challenge.

A team of men will vie with a team of women in two Toyota Prius to see who is the most fuel-efficient in the journey between the two capital cities.

The convoy will travel 1920km stopping at Coffs Harbour, Sydney, Wollongong and Shepparton before arriving at Melbourne Showground on March 11.