

Starts June 9

Run starting in City

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The 1993 version of the Special Olympics Torch Run is scheduled to take place June 9 with Estevan runners leaving the Energy City at 8 a.m. from city hall.

The Torch Run, a co-ordinated effort by policemen and police-women across the province, raises money for the Special Olympics.

One of the organizers of the run from the Estevan perspective, Const. Clark McClelland said that last year's local fund-raising drive and pledges amounted to \$4,600 and it was hoped to top that amount this year.

McClelland is joined by Const. Dave Boyce of the Estevan detachment of the RCMP in the organizational efforts this year.

Last year the police Torch Run netted over \$68,000 provincially for the Special O athletes and programs.

Those participating in this year's run besides McClelland and Boyce, will be Constables John Chester and Greg Catley from the Estevan Police Service and Murray Cowen and Elmer Russell from the SE Associated Ambulance Association. One Weyburn city po-

lice member and one member of the Carnduff detachment of the RCMP have also agreed to join the local runners who intend to reach Halbrite on the first leg of the run. The next day will take them from Halbrite to Yellow Grass and the third day will take them into Regina where the Special Olympics are being held this year.

"Each day we have mapped out a course of between 55 to 60 kilometres," McClelland said.

Grant Kraemer of Midale has agreed to drive one support vehicle and the ambulance service from Estevan will provide one other if it can be spared. The Midale support vehicle is their Lions Club bus.

Pledges will be accepted along the Highway 39 and Highway 6 route into the Olympic village. McClelland said that he will also be canvassing local businesses in an effort to raise funds/pledges.

If anyone wishes to drop off pledges, they can do so at the Estevan Police Service building or RCMP detachment office, to the attention of McClelland or Boyce.

This will be the sixth annual Torch Run for the law enforcement

teams.

Special T-shirts to commemorate the event are available at a nominal price, McClelland said. This money is also directed toward the Special Olympics.

This is the third consecutive year that McClelland has been involved as an organizer of the event at a local level.

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