



*On the trail across the frozen Arctic Ocean. (L-R): Cst. Jason Zazaluk, C/Supt. Bill Sweeney, Sgt. Terry Scott, and Warrant Officer Kevin Mulhern.*

*Photo by Sgt. Phil Johnson*

## RELAY 2000

The Trans Canada Trail Foundation is spearheading the Relay 2000 event with assistance from the RCMP, Department of National Defence (DND), Chrysler Canada, and other corporate entities. The Force will provide security in contract provinces and territories when the water carriers leave the trail and travel on public highways under RCMP jurisdiction and participate in community celebrations and official functions along the way as duties and responsibilities permit. In "C" and "O" Divisions, the RCMP will liaise with other police forces to provide the necessary security.

Over 5,000 Canadians from across the country, including 45 RCMP employees, will be official water carriers by running, walking, bicycling, snowmobiling, snowshoeing and horseback riding as the 16,100 km trek goes through their towns. The water carriers, who participate for approximately 1.5 km, receive an official Relay 2000 crest. In addition, each Division will be represented by their commanding officer.

Water carrier positions have been divided across the country based on populations during the months noted as follows:

"A" and RCMP HQ:	3	September (National Capital Region)
"B":	3	May (St. John's, Gander, Deerlake, Corner Brook)
"C":	4	July/August/September (Edmunston, Québec, Montréal)
"D":	3	June/July (Roblin, Emerson, Winnipeg)
"E":	6	March/April/May (Fort St. John, Victoria, Vancouver, Sparwood)
"F" / "Depot":	3	May/June (Paradise Hill and Cypress Hill park to Regina and Yorkton)
"G":	3	February/March (Inuvik, Yellowknife, Fort Smith)
"H":	3	May/June (Pictou, Halifax)
"J":	3	June/July (Moncton, Fredericton, Edmundston)
"K":	4	March/April/May (Peace River, Athabasca River, Edmonton, Calgary)
"L":	2	June (Tignish, Charlottetown, Elmira)
"M":	2	February/March (Eagle Plains, Dawson City, Whitehorse)
"O":	4	July/August (Kenora, Sudbury, Windsor, Toronto, Peterborough)
"V":	2	February/March/April/May (Iqaluit, Pond Inlet, Repulse Bay)

Be sure to check out the Relay when it passes through your province! For more information on the trek or for details on the exact routes, pick up a brochure at any Canada Post location or access the Relay 2000 web site at: [www.tctrail.ca](http://www.tctrail.ca)

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