

Thompson, Dale

# Bound for Olympics

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## *Dale Thompson to report on Games*

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Dale Thompson is going to Norway.

But unlike the athletes who'll be travelling to Lillehammer next week to compete in the 1994 Winter Olympic Games, Thompson won't be lugging any skates or skis with him.

Instead, Thompson's tools of the trade will be a ballpoint pen and a note pad.

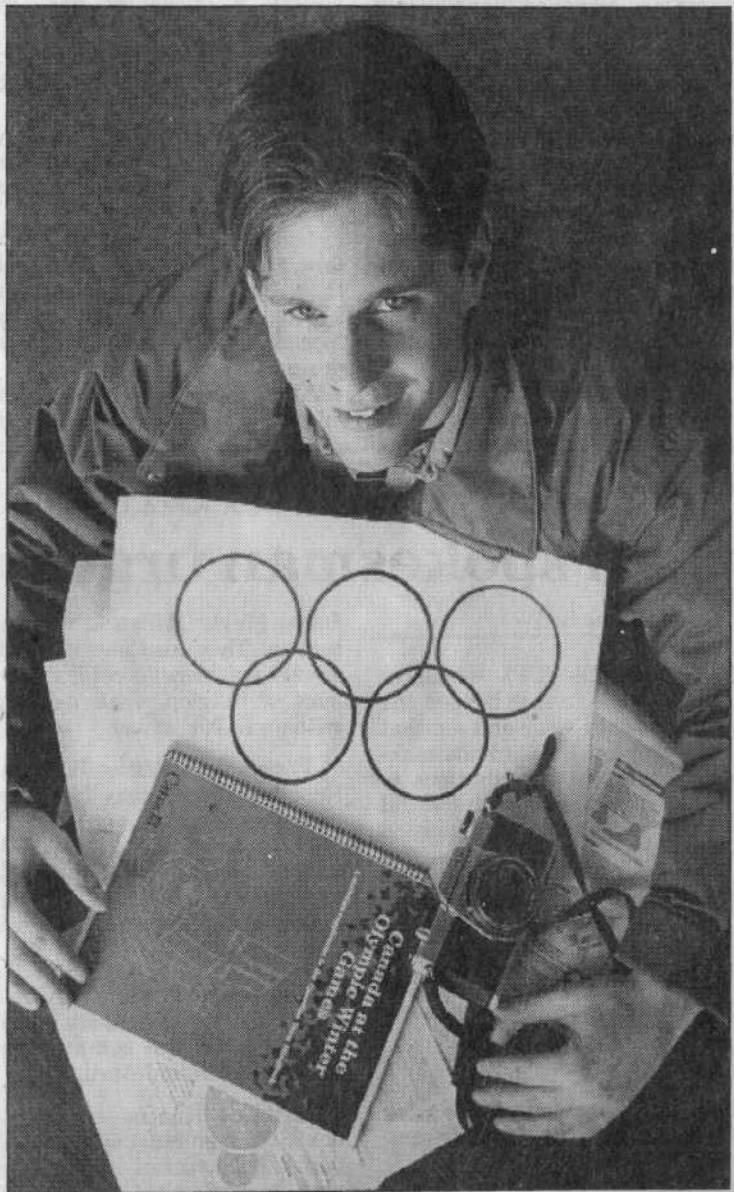
Thompson, 23, will be among two of the first-ever Canadian student journalists to attend a Winter Olympics in a working capacity under a new program through the Canadian Olympic Association.

"I was pretty much shocked," says Thompson, a Belleville native and a recent graduate of the print journalism course at Loyalist College. "I want to experience the whole thing. Not so much the celebrities, but meeting all the people I can."

After hearing about the program, Thompson applied. He sought and received sponsorship from the Canadian University Press which supplied him with a list of 60 media outlets to which he can file stories while in Norway. Thompson also contacted another 20 Canadian daily newspapers interested in paying him for stories from the Games.

He'll need the money too.

Things are definitely not cheap in Norway, especially in the commercial confines of the Olympic



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**Loyalist grad Dale Thompson is ready for the Lillehammer Olympics.**

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