SATURDAY THE BIG RACE







At 6.30am. on Saturday morning, just less than IOO more or less sane and intelligent people will be setting off from the Market Square to go to Port Alfred. It is not just the early hour which casts doubts as to their sanity, but more the fact that most of them actually believe, or hope, that they can run there in less than 63 hours.



THE BARCLAYS SETTLER MARATHON revives the Big Walk tradition when students walked to Bathurst and back. This time it is only one way, and it finishes at the rugby club in Port Alfred.

Appropriately, Rhodes has the largest contingent of runners - over 25% of the field. Chemistry lecturer, Chris Whitely is very likely to be first man home to win the race for Rhodes.

II different clubs will be represented. Second to Rhodes, P.E. Technicon has the best representation. Unfortunately, U.P.E. has not managed to raise acsimple contestant. With nearly 100 runners, it will be the biggest ultra marathon field in the Eastern Cape.

At the end of the race, the Port Alfred rugby club has arranged for a bar and for soup and sandwiches for the runners. So grab a car and some friends and come along the road to encourage your intrepid runners on their way.

At the end of the race you can buy your favourite LUNATIC a beer or ten and place bets for next year's race, which is in the other direction.

