



**Mountaineers:** Sylvia with the police team who will be helping her tackle Mount Snowdon in her wheelchair

# Sylvia's aiming high

A SHEFFIELD woman fighting multiple sclerosis is to tackle Mount Snowdon - in her wheelchair.

With the help of twelve policemen, Sylvie Brown hopes to complete a six-mile obstacle course - including the crossing of rivers - at Mount Snowdon.

The 25-year-old, who last year took part in a tandem skydive from 13,000 ft, hopes her latest stunt will add to the £2000 she has raised for MS charities.

"I didn't let MS stop me from skydiving, and so I won't let it stop me now,"

**By Shenaz Kermalli**

said Sylvia, of Burlington Court, Upperthorpe.

"MS changes your life, but you learn to cope and move forward with your life onto better things. The right attitude is crucial."

She admits being nervous about scaling the heights in a wheelchair but remains optimistic.

Sylvie, a former Tapton pupil, started to suffer from MS about five years ago, but was not officially diagnosed until

September 1996. She received a first in Chemistry and European Studies (German) at Sussex University despite becoming seriously ill.

Joining her on the climb is George Atherton, a former Sheffield University medical lecturer. Diagnosed with MS thirty years ago, George remains active and fit.

All donations to Sylvie and George's climb should be made payable to the Multiple Sclerosis Therapy Centre (Sheffield) Ltd, Unit 6, 9, Amos Road, S9 1BX.