

MacIntosh leads race to Uruguay

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CAPE TOWN — Padda Kuttel's Apple MacIntosh has retaken the lead in the 1985 Cape to Uruguay Race with a 230-mile dash in the last 24 hours.

The mighty maxi — the biggest yacht in the race — is now 1 246 sea miles from Cape Town and has overtaken the previous leader 3CR12 which is 51 miles behind and in third

place.

The controversial super-light maxi Momentum Life is right behind the 'Big Apple' — 30 miles astern.

The smallest maxi which has challenged her larger rivals strongly earlier in the week — Paper Pack Voortrekker skippered by Lieutenant-Commander John Martin — has slipped back into fourth place.

Medlease, which was quiet for three days — causing concern aboard the communications vessels Howard Davis — has reported her position at last and is in the middle of the fleet, 21st on handicap.

The class 11 German entry Sancho Pansa has reported a run of 167 miles since her last signal and is still leading on handicap.

She is followed by the joker in the pack — the small Port Elizabeth boat Wings which is trailing her by only 50 miles.

The favourites for handicap honours, Three Spears and Bertie Reed's Interflora Retrans are fifth and sixth on handicap and only 15 miles apart.