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Ainslie keeps his end up

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IAN Ainslie's successful Australian campaign on his Finn continued this week with the Sail Melbourne Regatta. After five races, he was lying in fifth position overall, with Sebastian Godefroid of Belgium in first. Ainslie's positions after five races were 3, 3, 4, 9, 7. The regatta ends today.

Another South African doing exceptionally well in Australia is Michael Cockburn who has recently started sailing with Australian Aaron Worrall. The two dominated the recent Hobie 16 Nationals Down Under, scoring six firsts, two seconds and a fourth. Mike grew up sailing at Point Yacht Club on Optimists and Dabchicks before moving onto Hobies.

□ The South African Ladies Sailing Association Autumn Shield Regatta happens on March 21 and 22 at the Island Sailing Club. Skippers and, if possible, crews on the boats must be female. Entry fee is R30 per boat.

□ Bookings are rolling in for the McCarthy Auto Development Draw, to be held on January 30 at Point Yacht Club. If you don't have your ticket yet, make sure you contact Pat at the Club on 031 301 4787, ASAP.