

Vaalies chase coveted prize

AN all-Transvaal crew has entered for the **Crystic Beachcomber Crossing** from Mauritius to Durban in September with high hopes of winning overall handicap honours in their trusty 40-footer Lazy L.

Owner-skipper Reinhold Antwelier, who runs a metal pressing business at Brits, near Pretoria, says: "I have a highly experienced crew, with lots of deep-sea sailing to their credit — and we are going to go for it."

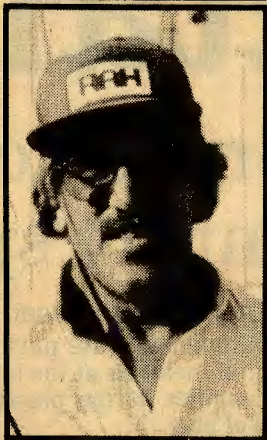
Antwelier bases his optimism in the Beachcomber classic on the success of sister yacht The Spirit of St Gerard of Durban, which won overall handicap honours in the 6 000 nautical mile Dias Cape Town-to-Lisbon race last year.

He does not know how Lazy L acquired her name, but he will keep it, and add the prefix RAH, which is the name of his sponsor in the race. "I have a superstition about changing names," he says.

Like The Spirit of St Gerard, Lazy L was de-

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Experienced crew

signed by Angelo Lavranos of Cape Town, and built by a boat factory at Hammarsdale.

Business pressures kept Antwelier out of the 1989 Crystic Beachcomber Crossing, but he has sailed a number of deep sea events, including the annual Da Gama race from Durban to East London. In the recent Da Gama race, Lazy L led for a time, but then hit a hole in the weather and finished 14th out of 45 starters.