

No trace of lone sailor as storm approaches

CAPE TOWN: An extensive search off the west coast has failed to find any trace of lone yachtsman Chris Cairncross, while a winter storm continues to approach the Cape.

An Air Force Dakota extended the search to 90 kilometres out to sea yesterday afternoon, covering the area between Robben Island and Elands Bay.

A police launch also took part and vehicles patrolled the beaches.

Mr Cairncross's wife, Josie, said her husband was a very experienced single-handed sailor. He might have headed out to sea to avoid thick fog.

The 49-year old public relations consultant sailed from Port Owen for Club Mykonos on Friday.—Sapa