

SA yacht fired at off Maputo

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DURBAN. — A yacht sailing near the coast of Mozambique was fired at from the shore, prompting a warning to other yachts to keep well offshore.

The owner of the Ocean Sailing Academy, Mr Chris Bonnet, said yesterday academy yachts Ocean Star and Medlease 2 were sailing about 12 nautical miles south of Punta da Barra da Salsa at midday on Thursday. When they were about a mile offshore when Ocean Star came under sustained rifle fire.

Mr Bonnet said the firing lasted for about 15 minutes, but nobody was injured and no damage was caused.

Both yachts immediately turned seaward to escape the barrage. It is not known who was responsible for the shooting, he said.