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# Zeekoevlei piling on the pressure

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THE tables are turning at Langebaan in the battle for the R500 000 Sir Thomas Lipton Cup and reigning champions Zeekoevlei are starting to produce the ruthless domination which has carried them to four victories in the last five years.

Zeekoevlei Yacht Club, skippered by Chris King at the helm of Frank G Minnitt, recorded their second victory in as many days by leading the L-26 fleet from start to finish.

Skipper King, who some yachtsmen regard as the greatest short handed talent in the land, was beaming after the victory yesterday and is now closing in on the record-breaking achievements of Royal Natal Yacht Club's skipper, Wilfred Hancock, who won the prestigious race five times in the 1950's and 60's.

However, the giant killers of the race so far, Hermanus Yacht Club's Martin Schultz on Dulux, finished fourth yesterday and are tenaciously holding on to the overall lead with 67 points just three points ahead of Zeekoevlei.

Hout Bay Yacht Club's George Amoils on Maxtec, was fifth over the line but faced a triple protest last night for an alleged collision with Gordon's Bay Yacht Clubs, MBS Challenger, skippered by Martin Lambrecht.

Hout Bay are tied in equal third place with the brilliant students UCT, who so far have sailed superbly led by Stephen Golliker on Mykonons Magic and are within striking distance of a mammoth upset.