

TWO DUEL FOR RIO LEAD

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WHILE Lol Killam's Graybeard and the British ketch Ocean Spirit continued their neck-and-neck struggle for first place, the 16m (53 ft.) Cape ketch Corsair rocketed from 25th to 9th position on elapsed time and from 27th to 4th on handicap in the Cape-to-Rio race yesterday.

The skipper of Corsair, Col. S. H. Jeffrey (chairman of the South African Cruising Association), and his crew of six, travelled an impressive 219 miles in the 24 hours since their last position report.

On the other hand the Durban ketch Cariad, which jumped 16 notches to eighth place (actual) on Wednesday, was yesterday back to 25th.

Graybeard and Ocean Spirit were almost within shouting distance of one another yesterday morning, according to the Sapa correspondent on SAS Tafelberg. Last night they were 11 miles apart, followed once more by Striana, Hamburg VII and Stormy (up from 13th to 7th on handicap).

Leaders on handicap were Hamburg VII, Albatros II, Strianna, Corsair and Ocean Spirit.

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