

Others did it before Anthony

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End, Port Elizabeth:**

WITH reference to the television news and the Herald of November 24, I do not think it is correct saying that Anthony Steward is the first person to circumnavigate the world single-handed. There were others before him.

There was Bardiaux who completed the voyage in seven years.

There was Francis Chichester who at the age of 65 years took nine months.

Alec Rose at the age of 60 years arrived back in England after 11 months.

Chichester and Rose were both knighted by Queen Elizabeth II.

□ *Anthony Steward is the first to attempt the feat in an open boat.*

— Editor