

# Barcelona in sight for Savage

By Greg Knowler

THE road to Barcelona is not an easy one, but if anyone can book their tickets it is Durban yachtsmen Ian Ainslie and Bruce Savage.

If their present form continues in the Olympic trials being held off Durban, these two locals will each represent their respective classes and take on the world.

Savage won yesterday's race by more than a minute in his Soling class boat and has won the last four races in a row, making him the overall leader.

Favourites in this class are Capetonians Geoff Meek and Chris King who came second and third.

In the Finn class yesterday, Ainslie won both races once again. He has lost only one of eight races in the class so far and will be difficult, if not impossible, to catch.

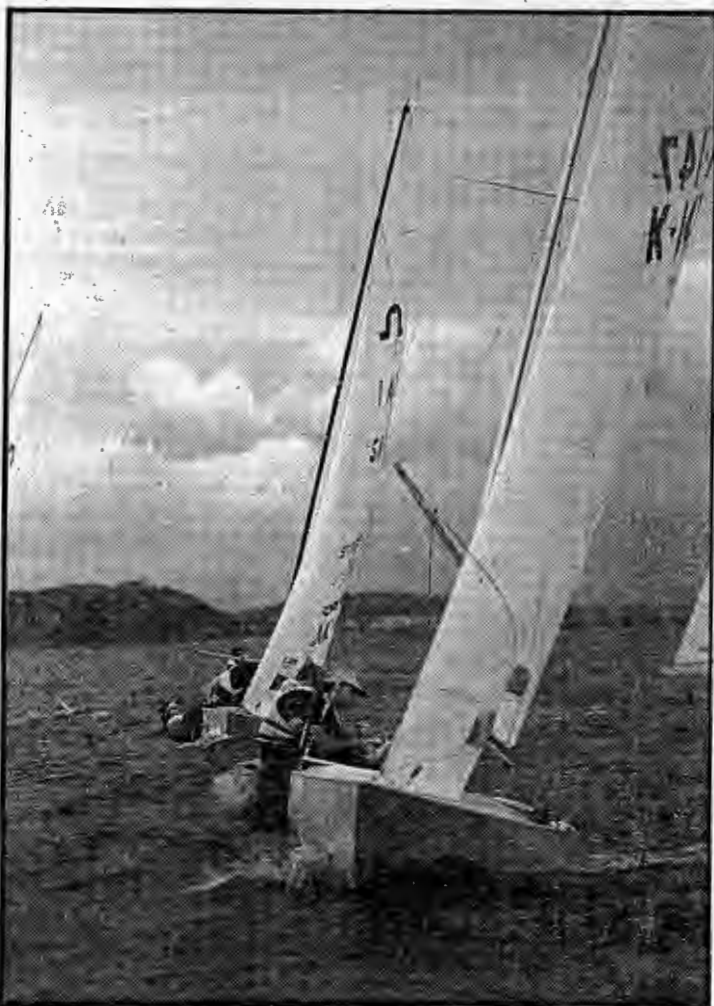
A close tussle has developed in the Fireball class where brothers Greg and Malcolm Hall from Cape Town have an almost unassailable lead after seven races, finishing second yesterday.

All they need to do is sail consistently well and finish in the top three of every race to win the class overall.

The Fireball race was won by Steve du Toit and S Hegestrom, and Rob de Vlieg and Steve Baum finished third.

Robbie Willcox and Grant Davidge-Pitts won the Fling Dutchman class after beating Dave Hudson and Dave Kitchen by more than two minutes.

Results:  
**Race 6: Tornado Class:** E Cook/G Stevens (Tvl)



It looks as though Durban's Bruce Savage can book his ticket to Barcelona after winning his fourth race in a row in the Olympic trials yesterday.

**Race 7: Finn Class:** 1 I Ainslie (Dbn); 2 D Collins (Dbn); 3 A Serritslev (CT); **Fireball Class:** 1 S du Toit (CT); 2 G Hall (CT); 3 R de Vlieg; **Soling Class:** 1 B Savage (Dbn); 2 C King (CT); 3 G Meek (CT); **Flying Dutchman Class:** 1 R Willcox (Tvl); 2 D Hudson (CT); 3 C Alexander (Dbn).

**Race 8: Finn Class:** 1 I Ainslie (Dbn); 2 D Collins (Dbn); 3 A Serritslev; **Fireball Class:** 1 M Lamprecht (Dbn); 2 G Hall (CT); 3 S du Toit (CT); **Lechner Sailboards (Men):** 1 G Ross (Tvl); 2 B Clark (PE); 3 A Ceruti (Tvl); **Lechner Sailboards (Women):** 1 M Ceruti (Tvl).