

Dramatic move by Form Flyer

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In a dramatic development in the Stan-
nic Southstar race to St Helena Island
and back, Patrick Holloway and Gary
Farrow out-manouvered the rest of the
fleet and headed for almost certain
victory in Table Bay next week in their
storm-battered Miura Form Flyer.

While Form Flyer and Gardian
National, crewed by Tony Abbott and
Peter Hall, who slipped into second
place overnight, stayed with the wind
eastward of the Atlantic "high", the
two boats gambling on a westward

course, GA Insurance (Bertie Reed
and Bob Harrison) and Datakor Arc
(Ashley and Graeme Stoner) fell into a
windless "hole" and came to a virtual
stop.

By late afternoon Form Flyer had a
commanding lead of over 100 nautical
miles and with 750 miles to go is ex-
pected to cross the finish line about
Wednesday next week.

Crew members in all four Miuras
have said this has been the hardest
race they have ever sailed in, with
"appalling" upwind conditions all the
way back from St Helena.