

# Malcolm and Simon make waves in world yachting

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TWO young southern suburbs yachtsmen have taken the international sailing scene by storm, winning second place in the 470 Olympic dinghy class at the world championships in La Rochelle, France.

Malcolm Hall, 22, of Newlands and Simon Crone, 21, of Bergvliet have represented South Africa in three competitions in Europe the past two months.

The Olympic gold-medal aspirants have been honing their skills on the local circuit with success in numerous regattas, resulting in their being awarded their provincial and national colours.

Sailing borrowed boats in the highly-competitive 470 Olympic dinghy class, Hall and Crone have posted some impressive results.

They defeated many competitors ranked in the world's top 10 en route to their second place in the world championships.

Crone said: "This is only the beginning. Our ultimate aim is to win a gold medal in the 1996 Olympics."

But they are faced with a serious obstacle in the form of finances. Having spent all their money on their quest in Europe, they need funding to compete in further competitions if they are to realise their dream of an Olympic medal.