

## Paris continues his ocean trek



**Still sailing:**  
Alan Paris,  
skipper of  
*BTC Velocity*.

Backmarker Alan Paris was yesterday continuing his steady slog north to the coastal town of Salvador in Brazil on the fourth leg of the Around Alone race.

The Bermudian suffered a scare when radar equipment came loose from the mast of his boat *BTC Velocity* a couple of days ago – a reminder to Paris that he had been at sea for a month in some of the toughest conditions on the planet.

“I guess it’s not surprising that some things are beginning to wear and break,” he wrote.

“I have been at sea for 30 days this leg and had some pretty horrendous weather in the past seven days. I am and should be glad that the radar mount did not break during the night when it was a full gale.”

Two other entrants in the race, Derek Hatfield and Graham Dalton, are still in port working on their boats after sustaining damage in the treacherous waters around Cape Horn.