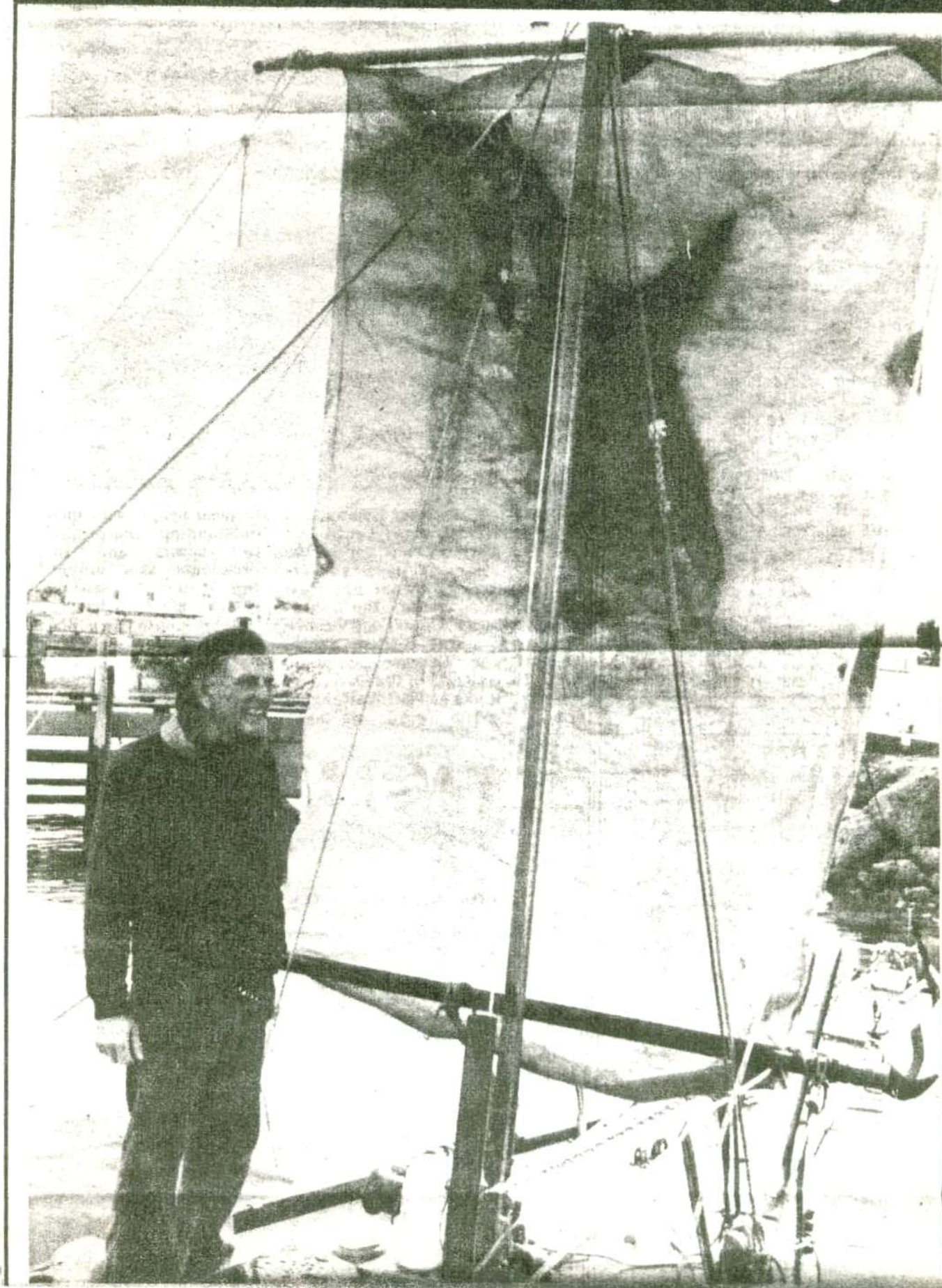


## Jury Sail Saved The Day



Kerikeri veteran yachtsman Gerry Clark and the jury-rigged scrap of canvas which took him across several thousand miles of ocean and through two major storms to a safe haven in Fremantle Western Australia.

The wood and canvas used to make the jury rig were found on Marion Islands, en route from Cape Town after his boat had been dismasted.

On the leg from the Kerguelen Islands in the Indian Ocean the Totorore was rolled five times and lost her self-steering gear.

Scraps of materials found on the uninhabited Heard Island saved the day and Gerry reached Fremantle after three months of solitary sailing.

Kerikeri yachtmaster Ross Ewens last week flew to Fremantle to join Gerry where both will repair the vessel for the final leg to her home port. The Totorore is expected in Kerikeri in early October. The trip will bring to an end a three-year voyage, most of which was spent studying bird life in the Antarctic.

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