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## It's déjà vu for Renault at Bonneville with the Étoile Filante

## Lead

In 1956, Renault set a new land speed record with the Étoile Filante on the Bonneville Salt Flats. Sixty years on, the French marque returned to the flats with the revolutionary 'Shooting Star'...

## Here we go again...





When the turbine-powered *Étoile Filante* (translated as 'shooting star') peaked at 192mph on the world-famous Bonneville Salt Flats in September 1956, Renault broke not one, but *four* world records, two of which still stand to this day. The French auto giant's Classic division marked the occasion's 60th anniversary by returning to Bonneville with the streamlined speed-machine, and a specially modified Dauphine in which Nicolas Prost set a new class record at 76.5mph.

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