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Farr Yacht Design Volvo Open 70 Breaks 24 hour Monohull Sailing Record

Telefonica Movistar, a Volvo Open 70, designed by Farr Yacht Design of Annapolis Maryland USA, has reported from the Southern Ocean that it has covered 530 nautical miles in 24 hours, setting a new record for a 24 hour run by a monohull sailing yacht. While the record is yet to be ratified, the design office received the news with considerable delight.

“We are thrilled to see our design start to show its potential for truly fast speeds in the tough conditions of the Southern Ocean. It is a credit to the builder, Boatspeed, and the crew to produce such an effort within one month after launching”, said Steve Morris, Vice President at Farr Yacht Design.

Russ Bowler, President of Farr Yacht Design, spent some time in March in Newcastle, Australia where *Telefonica Movistar* was launched and trialed. “The build job, the crew quality and the general management of the group were all in great shape on their second day sailing earlier this month. This team is capable of some dazzling performances and we look forward to more good news from their very able skipper, Bouwe Bekking. We expect additional speed records to fall when three more of our Volvo Open 70 designs join *Telefonica Movistar* for the Volvo Ocean Race starting in November”, said Russ.

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