

HOW TO READ THE WIZARD

The Wizard's Header Panel

THRIFTY CAR RENTAL / T.J.SMITH STKS WFA-G2 1200m (\$351,400) (Apprentices cannot claim)

Tab	Form	Horse	BP	WT	AOdds	Wrat	Trat	Sts	W	P	W%	P%	Cls	FS	Dis	Av Prize	Days	CRS	DIST	C&D	Good	Dead	Slow	Heavy	
01	321x	FALVELON	8	57.5	7-1*	94	97	24	13	4	54	17	up	+5.5	up	122866	118	0-1-2	5-5-12	0-1-2	10-4-15	1-2-4	2-2-5	-	-

Tab TAB or racebook number. Falvelon is TAB number 1. (Please remember to check TAB lists for official numbers).

Form Form figures (last 4 starts; "x" indicates a spell for 2 months or morespell). Falvelon is back after a spell as shown by the "x" indicator. Falvelon finished 1st at his last start prior to the spell, 2nd 2 starts back and 3rd 3 starts back.

Horse Name of the horse. Falvelon in this example.

BP Barrier Position. Falvelon's barrier position is number 8.

WT Handicap weight. Falvelon is 57.5Kg.

AOdds Assessed Odds. The WIZARD's rating of each runner. Here, Falvelon is assessed as an 7/1 chance in this race. These odds are calculated using a formula that combines both the Wizard weight ratings (Wrat) and time ratings (Trat). ("*" indicates a main chance).

Wrat Weight Rating. Rating for each horse based on traditional weight handicapping techniques. The top rated horse is the one on 100. Convert the ratings into predicted beaten margins by allowing 4 rating units to equal 1 length. Example: Falvelon which is rated at 94 would be rated to finish 2 lengths (8 units divided by 4) behind the horse rated 100.

Trat Time Rating. Rating based on the horse's race times. Can be converted to margins in the same manner as the weight ratings (Wrat). Falvelon has a Trat score of 97 which means it is rated on times to finish ¾ of a length (3 units divided by 4) behind the horse rated 100.

Sts Starts. Number of career starts. Falvelon has had 24 career starts.

W Wins. Number of career wins. Falvelon has won 13 races.

P Placings. Number of career minor placings (2nd & 3rd placings in only). Falvelon has finished second or third on 4 occasions.

W% Win Percentage. Number of wins expressed as a percentage of total career starts. Falvelon has a win percentage of 54% (13/24).

P% Place Percentage. Number of minor placings (second and thirds) as a percentage of total career starts. Falvelon has a minor place percentage of 17% (4/24).

CLS Class. This column shows whether the horse is racing in the same class (or equivalent class) of race as contested at its last start. "Up" means the horse is up in class, "dn" means the horse is down in class, "eq" means the horse is contesting a race which is the same, or similar class. Falvelon is up in class this start

compared to his last start.

FS Field Strength. The Field Strength figure measures the difference between the **quality** of the field against which the horse raced last start and will confront in the forthcoming race. Bear in mind that races of exactly the same class ("=" in the Cls column) can vary in strength. This means the level of competition the horse is meeting in a Welter Handicap tomorrow could be 1.5kg "tougher" than the Welter field it raced at its last start and so on. In the FS column +1.5 means tomorrow's field is 1.5kg stronger than the horse met last start. On the other hand, -2.0 means tomorrow's race is 2kg "weaker" than its last start, thereby making the task of the horse easier than might be expected given that it is racing in the "same" class. Falvelon has a Field Strength figure of +5.5 meaning that this race is a 5.5kg stronger quality race than its last start race.

DIS Distance. Dis is a quick reference guide, which shows if the horse is racing at the same, longer, or shorter distance when compared to its last start. "Up" means the horse is up in distance, "dn" means the horse is down in distance, "eq" means the horse is contesting a race which is over a similar distance as last start. Falvelon is up in distance this start compared to his last start.

Av Prize Average prize money per start. Falvelon has won an average of \$122866 per race start. Its total career prizemoney is around \$2,949,000 (24 x \$122866).

Days The number of days since its last start. Falvelon is racing 118 days after its last start.

Performance statistics covering at the course (CRS), distance (DIST), course and distance (C&D), on good tracks (Good), on dead tracks (Dead), on slow tracks (Slow) and on heavy tracks (Heavy). Each performance statistic is shown in the order of wins – minor placings – starts.

CRS Course Statistics. Falvelon has no wins, finished 2nd or 3rd on one occasion, from two starts at this course.

DIST Distance Statistics. Falvelon has won 5 races, finished 2nd or 3rd 5 times from 12 starts at the distance.

C&D Course & Distance statistics. Falvelon has no wins, finished 2nd or 3rd on one occasion, from two starts at this course and distance.

Good Good track statistics. Falvelon has started 15 times on a good track for 10 wins and 4 seconds or thirds.

Dead Dead track statistics. Falvelon has started 4 times for one win and two seconds or thirds on dead tracks.

Slow Slow track statistics. Falvelon has had 5 starts on slow tracks for two wins and two seconds or thirds.

Heavy Heavy track statistics. Falvelon has not started previously on heavy tracks.