

Guide to Age Adjustment Website Changes

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Overview

- ► Following the agreement at the 2023 AGM to adopt Age Adjustments, the VTTA website has had the following changes
 - "Age Adjustments" are used in preference to "Standards" to benchmark how performance varies with age, gender and machine
 - "Age Adjusted Time" and "Age Adjusted Distance" are used in preference to "Plus" and "Minus" for measuring performance on standard
- The values for the new system of (AA/AAT/AAD) and the old system (standards, plus and minus) may appear on the same screen for ease of comparison

Definitions 1

- Age Adjustment
 - For solo machines, the Age Adjustment = standard for specified age, gender and machine minus the standard for 40 year old male solo bike rider
 - ▶ If my standard is 26 minutes for 10 miles and the standard for a 40 year old is 20 minutes, the age adjustment is 6 minutes
 - For tandem machines, the Age Adjustment = tandem standards for specified ages, genders and machine minus the tandem standards for two 40 year old male tandem bike riders
 - The Age Adjustment was formerly known as Vet's Handicap
- Age Adjusted Time and Age Adjusted Distance
 - ➤ The age adjustment is subtracted from a distance event actual time, or added to a time event actual distance, to get the Age Adjusted Time or Age Adjusted Distance (AAT/D)
 - ► If I ride 10 miles in 25 minutes (with my age adjustment of 6 minutes) then my age adjusted time is 19 minutes
 - ▶ The Age Adjusted Time or Distance was formerly known as Vet's Handicap Result

Definitions 2

- Average Actual Speed (shown for information in the season long competitions)
 - = Sum of Average Speeds in Qualifying Events / Number of Qualifying Events
 - ▶ This formula is unchanged, and is used in the Individual Competition screen last column
- Adjusted Speed
 - = Event Distance / Age Adjusted Time or
 - ► = Age Adjusted Distance / Event Time (12 and 24 hours)
 - ▶ The Adjusted Speeds will be calculated in mph to 3 decimal places rounded down
- Average Adjusted Speed (This is what used to calculate positions in the season long competitions)
 - = Sum of Adjusted Speeds in Qualifying Events / Number of Qualifying Events
 - ► This formula replaces the calculation of Aggregate (plus)
 - ► The Average Adjusted Speed will be calculated in mph to 3 decimal places rounded down

Changes

- Results screen change from showing plusses to Age Adjusted Time or Distance (AAT/D)
- Individual and Tandem standards for the selected event type, the website generates tables of age adjustments for each age (there is an option to select standard tables or age adjustment tables)
- Individual standards a new file to download standards and age adjustments has been provided
- 4. Competitions the aggregate calculations for all SLCs, Individual, Groups and Clubs for 2023 onwards are based on average speeds calculated using adjusted time or distance; previous years are unchanged-
- 5. Standards Awards —the "My Profile" "Standards" screen includes age adjusted time or distance in the baseline table and improvements table

Results screen

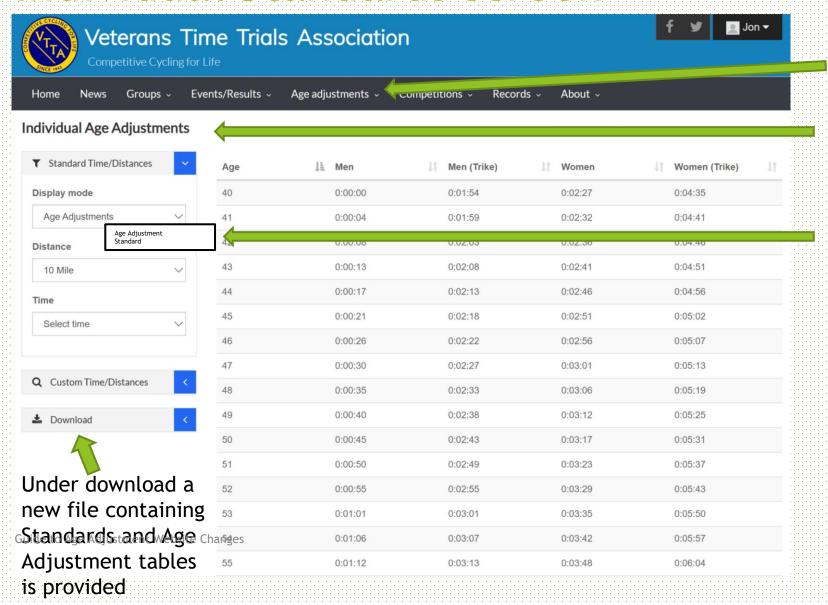
Reordered columns

- Std position changed to "Adjusted position"
- AAT/D (new)
- ▶ Std+-"
- Scratch position (default order as at present)
- ► Time changed to Time/Distance
- New column "AAT/D"
 - For distance events shows AAT value as hh:mm:ss (no + or sign)
 - For time events shows AAD value as ddd.dd
- Riders with no AAT or AAD value (or no position on standard), are listed at the end, so when riders are sorted on AAT, they appear in order of ranking, with unranked riders at the bottom of the list

This screen is redesigned to work with results from all years, and to show old and new terminology to ease transition

Adjusted position	1	AAT / AAD ↑↓	Std±	$\uparrow\downarrow$	Scratch position ↑↓	Time / Distance	First name	Last name	Gender	Club
1		00:20:03	+00:06:0	3	31	00:23:32	Deborah	Moss	Female	Springfield Financial Racing Team
2		00:20:47	+00:05:1	9	10	00:21:59	Adrian	Hughes	Male	Seamons CC
3		00:21:13	+00:04:5	3	14	00:22:08	Kevin	Blades	Male	360cycling
4		00:21:20	+00:04:4	6	16	00:22:10	Jarod	Garrington	Male	Velotik Racing Team
5		00:21:28	+00:04:3	88	14	00:22:08	Alan	Broadbent	Male	Graham Weigh Racing-Deeside Olympic
6		00:21:33	+00:04:3	3	33	00:24:06	Arthur	Winstanley	Male	Liverpool Phoenix CC (Aintree)
7		00:21:41	+00:04:2	25	32	00:23:57	David	Wright	Male	Warrington Road Club/Horton Light Engineering
8		00:21:46	+00:04:2	20	8	00:21:46	Stephen	Dooley	Male	Seamons CC
9		00:21:49	+00:04:1	7	18	00:22:44	Kevin	Larmer	Male	Port Sunlight Wheelers
10		00:21:52	+00:04:1	4	29	00:23:23	Andrew	Smith	Male	VC Glasgow South
11		00:21:53	+00:04:1	3	13	00:22:06	Barry	Murphy	Male	Graham Weigh Racing-Deeside Olympic
12		00:21:54	+00:04:1	2	9	00:21:58	Matthew	Welsh	Male	Graham Weigh Racing-Deeside Olympic
13		00:22:19	+00:03:4	7	25	00:23:09	Paul	Shallicker	Male	Coveryourcar.co.uk RT - Fitted and Tailored Car Covers
13		00:22:19	+00:03:4	7	47	00:27:00	Janet	Fairclough	Female	Liverpool Phoenix CC (Aintree)
15		00:22:23	+00:03:4	3	30	00:23:29	Mark	Liptrot	Male	Graham Weigh Racing-Deeside Olympic

Individual Standards screen

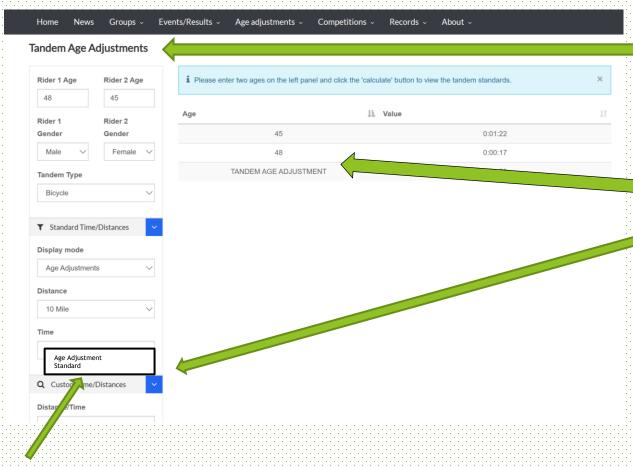


Top level menu item changed to "Age Adjustments", submenu item changed to "Individual Age Adjustments"

Title Text changed to "Individual Age Adjustments"

Filter to select Age
Adjustments or Standards
(default Age Adjustments)
When Age Adjustment
selected, columns show Age
Adjustments for each
distance or time
When Standard selected,
columns show age Standards
for each distance or time, as
at present

Tandem Standards screen



Under download a new file containing Standards and Gui Age: Adjustment tables is provided

Top level menu item changed to "Age Adjustments", submenu item changes to "Tandem Age Adjustments"

Title Text changed to "Tandem Age Adjustments"

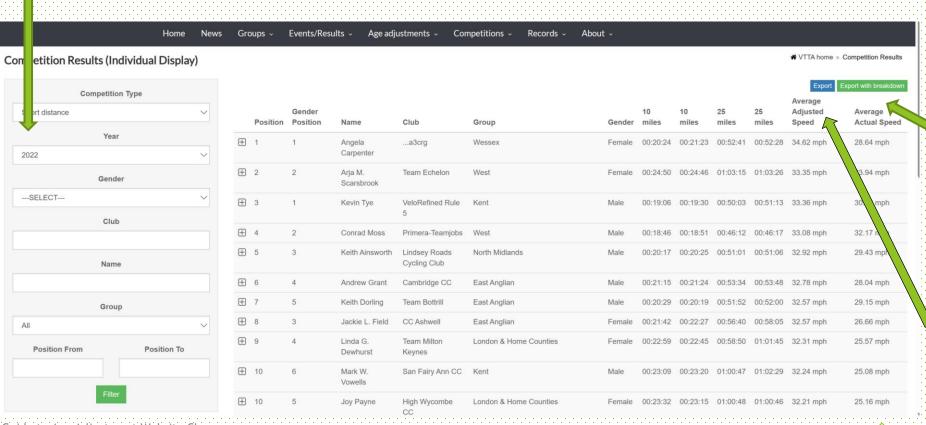
Filter to select Age Adjustments or Standards (default Age Adjustments)

When age adjustment selected, value show Age Adjustments
When Standard selected, value show Age Standards, as at present

Text is set to Tandem Standard or Tandem Age Adjustment, according to selection

Individual Competition screen

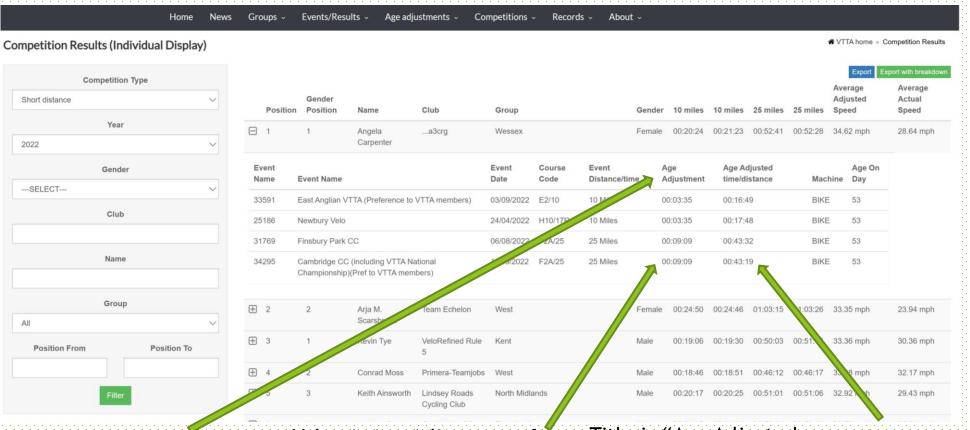
Age Adjustment changes only apply to screens from 2023 onwards, screens from 2022 and before do not change! 2022 screen here is an example, as there is no 2023 data yet



Changed "Average Speed" to "Average Actual Speed" (title change only)

Changed from "Aggregate" to "Average Adjusted Speed"

Individual Competition Screen detail



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Title is "Age Adjustment"
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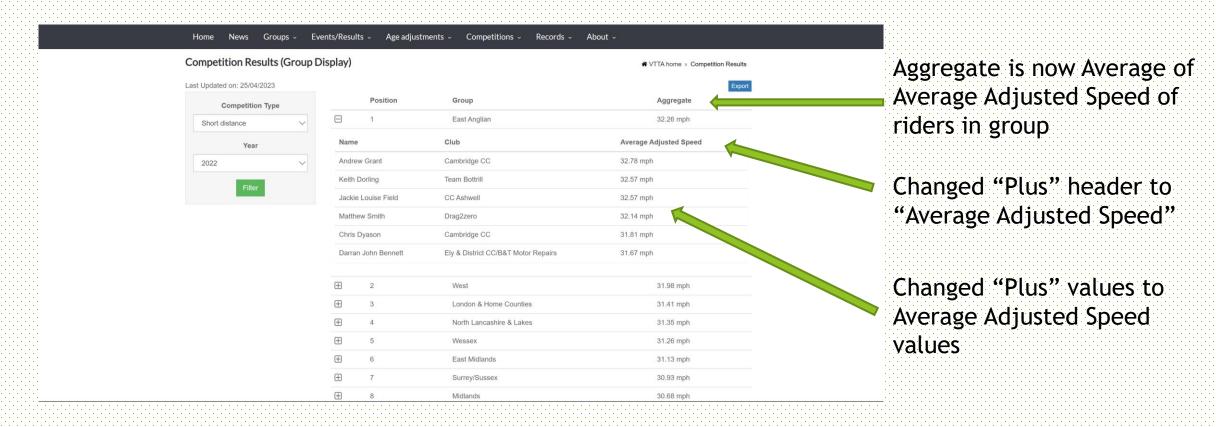
Value is Age Adjustment for event distance/time

Title is "Age Adjusted time/distance"

Value is Age Adjusted time/distance

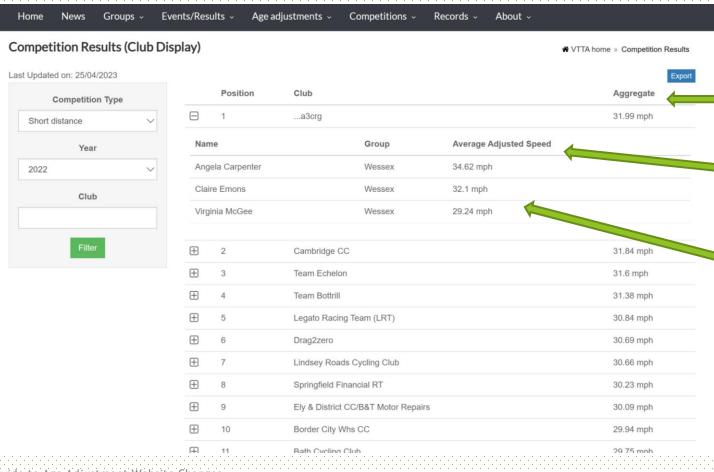
Note the meaning of "Adjusted" in the old "Adjusted Plus time/distance" column means to multiply the plus by a factor depending upon the event. This is not the same meaning as the new terms 'Adjusted Time" or "Adjusted Distance"

Group competition screen



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Club competition screen



Aggregate is Average of Average Adjusted Speed of riders in club

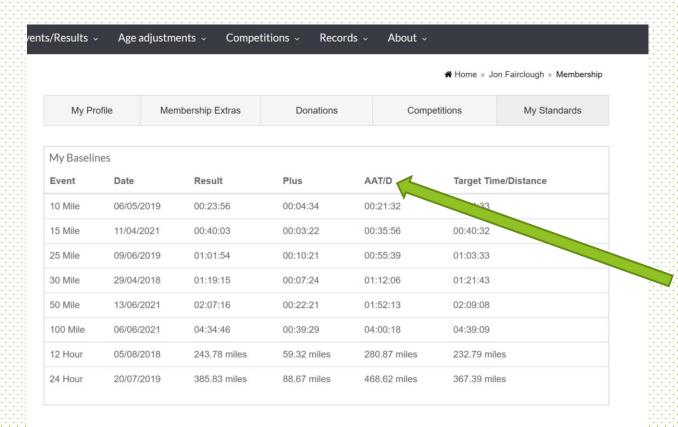
Changed "Plus" header to "Average Adjusted Speed"

Changed "Plus" value to Average Adjusted Speed

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My Profile Standards Screen



When a rider makes an improvement, it appears below this table in the listing of their improvements to claim. Similar changes are made to this table

Baselines may have been set before 2023, however we can still calculate and show Age Adjusted value for them

Added column to show "AAT/D"

The AAT/D value is "Std40 - Plus" for a distance event and "Std40 + Plus" for a time event, where Std40 is the standard for a male solo bike rider.

Export file changes

All the export files have been changed to reflect AAT/D

- Standards Awards Order export
 - Add the Age Adjusted time or distance in Column L
- Individual Competition export
 - ► Change the Aggregate in Column L to Average Age Adjusted Speed
- Individual Competition with breakdown export
 - ► Change the Standard Time/Distance in Column K, S, AA, AH to Age Adjustment for Time/Distance
 - ► Change the Adjusted Time/Distance in Column L, T, AB, AI to Age Adjusted Time/Distance
- Group and Club Competition exports
 - ► Change Plus in Column E to Average Age Adjusted Speed
 - ► Change Aggregate values in Column F to sum of Average Adjusted Speed of riders in group/club

2021 standards download documents

- A 1 second error was found in 25% of the age adjustments defined in the VTTA handbook and website download file during testing of the website changes
- This error has been corrected and new download documents are available in the Age Adjustments page and in the Documents page
- ▶ If you downloaded your copy of the Age Adjustments from the Documents page of the website before March 14th then you should download the corrected version (the file is called "VTTA Age Adjustments and Standards 2021 Rev5")
- ▶ If you downloaded your copy of the Age Adjustments from the standards page of the website before April 25th then you should download the corrected version (the download file is called "standards_2023")
- ▶ Both documents have the same content and have the identification text "2021 Rev A" on each table only the filenames differ.

Thank you!

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