

Sale 1st XI continued their fine run of form with a high scoring win against Alvanley despite a famous name in the ranks of the visitors.

Sophie Ecclestone, currently ranked number 1 bowler in the world, made a rare appearance for her home club but couldn't prevent a Sale win.

IS Recruitment sponsored Sale won the toss and put the visitors into bat, making a par score of 255-4 in 50 overs, Jarryd Basson (42) and Simon Gee (79 not out) enjoying the Dane Road surface.

Sale skipper Tyrone Lawrence was the pick of the home bowling with 2-43 off 15 overs.

Buoyed by recent chases Sale set off in positive mood with Pat Ashling opening up with 74 off 80 balls at the top of the order.

Sale lost Ashling and Lawrence for a breezy 34 in the 130s, but then showed the depth of their batting as contributions all the way down the Sale order saw them to their target.

Gareth Davies anchoring the lower order with 39 and Jonathan Davidson (29 not out) got Sale over the line with 2 balls to spare. Ecclestone finished with 2-71.

Sale 2nd XI had a great win at Hyde after bowling the home side out for 166. Young spinner Callum Ross again leading the way with 6-46.

Sale reached their target without alarm inside 30 overs for the loss of 2 wickets. Openers Joe Molloy (52) and Jamie Coombes (30) got Sale off to a great start before Grant Whittaker (36 not out) and Mat Spells (16 not out) saw Sale home.

Sale 3rd XI consolidated 2nd place in the Sunday premier division with a comfortable win over mid table Romiley.

Sale coasted home after holding the visitors to a below par 140-6, Callum Ross 3-25 and the returning Siyan Siraj 2-22.

Asad Khan continued his fine form with 59 not out and Jared Moran hit 54 in an opening stand of 98, before Brayden Ross (16) completed the win.

The only defeat of the weekend came at Bowdon as the 4th XI were bowled out for 82 in pursuit of 179-6. James Lewis (20) and James Newhill (2-43) were the leading performers.

Earlier in the week Sale Silverbacks continued their upward momentum with a good win over Cheadle at Dane Road.

Mike Bishop (33 retired) and Ian Dixon (31 retired) got the Silverbacks off to a flying start, with Greg Galbraith and Andy Gould both adding 19 the innings closed on 138-7.

Cheadle were well up with the rate until death bowlers Paul Hanrahan (2-17) and Lionel Thompson (2-12) closed out the innings at 115-7.

On Saturday Sale 1st XI travel to Bollington and the 2nd XI host Chester Boughton Hall.