

Sale 1st XI suffered their second defeat of the season at Macclesfield after being bowled out for an under par 191 in the Cheshire County league.

I S Recruitment sponsored Sale soon found run scoring difficult after losing the toss. Pat Ashling and James Dodds added 24 for the first wicket before Dodds was caught for 17 in the 10th over.

Ashling continued in unusually sedate fashion as he saw Tyrone Lawrence (17), Dan Newton (15) and Will Valentine (27) all make starts but fail to go on.

The loss of Valentine with the score on 164 led to a collapse as 4 out of the next 5 batsmen went for ducks.

Ashling did well to marshal the score up to 191 as he was last man out for 98.

Newton got Sale off to the perfect start removing Rob Porter from the second ball.

Thereafter it was relatively plain sailing for the home side as they reached their target for the loss of six wickets with 5 overs in hand. Points 8 – 25.

Earlier in the week Sale reached the knock-out stage of the T20 cup after an emphatic win over Urmston.

Pat Ashling was the star of the show with 119 off just 65 balls. Fellow opener Will Valentine made 70 off 42 balls at Sale posted 212-4.

Urmston were never in the hunt as they could only muster 131-9.

Sale 2nd XI dominated their match against Hyde on Saturday but could only manage a draw as the visitors held out at 160-8 after Sale posted 210-9.

Dattu Vadakutte top scored with 59, well supported by Muneeb Iftikar (31), who was also the pick of the bowling with 3-34. Points 14 – 7.

On Sunday Sale 3rd XI caulked up another win as they thrashed Marple and Compstall at Dane Road.

The visitors were shot out for 134 inside 31 overs, Gareth Watterson 4-26 and Lionel Thompson 3-27.

Sale then knocked off the runs without losing a wicket, Jamie Coombes (69) and Tom Jenkinson (60) the not out batters.

Sale 4th XI achieved their highest run chase for over a decade as they reeled the 209 posted by Cheadle Hulme, Zenan Bilyk-Evans 62 and Theo Brodbeck 54. Jon Saunders 3-34 and Naman Mudaliar 2-34 made the difference in the 1st innings.

Thanks to match sponsors Tyrone Lawrence, Paul Hanrahan and Asad Khan.

Next Saturday Sale 1st XI welcome Alvanley to Dane Road and the 2nd XI travel to Neston.