

Sale had a mixed weekend as the sun once again shone on cricket across the Cheshire County League, as all rounder Dan Newton put in a match winning performance for Sale 1st XI.

IS Recruitment sponsored Sale 1st XI enjoyed a comfortable win over Bramhall at Dane Road as they coasted home with 13 overs to spare in front of a large crowd for the club's summer BBQ.

Sale won the all-important toss and asked the visitors to bat first. Dan Newton took two early wickets to reduce the score to 27-2.

Two further wickets for Tyrone Lawrence made it 59-4.

Irrepressible Bramhall Skipper Nick Cantello did what he has done for many seasons, rescue the innings with a well-judged 83.

However when he fell to the returning Newton with the score on 188 the visitors soon subsided to 198 all out in the 47th over, Newton and Lawrence with 4 wickets each.

Sale made short work of the reply with Pat Ashling (20) and James Dodds (22) getting Sale off to a flyer.

Lawrence then added a more patient 29 in partnership with Newton as they added 41 for the third wicket.

Newton then saw Sale home for the loss of just one more wicket as he finished 96 not out to secure the 25 points.

Sale 2nd XI had a tough trip to Oxton with several regulars absent.

Bating first they posted 185-8, with Amjad Khan hitting 60 off 70 balls at the top of the order, partner Theo Brodbeck making a steady 41 and Grant Whittaker an entertaining 32.

However that was never going to be enough as Oxton won with 7 wickets in hand.

Sale 3rd enjoyed the better of a drawn game at Nantwich on Sunday, running up 213-5 off 45 overs.

Jamie Coombes was the mainstay of the Sale batting with 105 not out, well supported by Theo Brodbeck (31) and Will Radcliffe (24).

Sale reduced the home side to 8-2 and 45-5 before Ryan Stacey (50) dug in to secure a draw. Saad Khan was the pick of the Sale bowling with 4-48 as the points finished 14 to 6 in favour of Sale.

Sale 4th XI lost at home to Northwich after posting a below par 159-9 off 40 overs, Hashim Iqbal run out for 49. The visitors coasted home for the loss of 7 wickets.

Earlier in the week Sale Silverbacks maintained joint leadership of the Central division after a comfortable win over Brooklands.

Spin twins Ian Dixon and Lionel Thompson took two wickets each as the home side were restricted to 118-8.

Openers Asad Khan (23) and Dixon (30 retired) got Sale off to a steady start, before a quick-fire 32 from debutant Amjad Khan put sale in control to win by 8 wickets with 4 overs to spare.

Next Saturday Sale 1st XI make the short trip to Timperley and the 2nd XI host Bowdon.