



Sale Golf Club News - May 2017

Seniors Open Results

May has been a busy month so far with plenty of activities taking place both on and off the course. On Tuesday 2nd May, we held our first Seniors Open of the year. The Seniors Open is always well supported and this year was no different. 148 golfers turned out on the day in what can only be described as summery conditions. The sun was shining and it was great to finally see people wearing short sleeved shirts again. Summer must be here!

The standard on the day was high with some excellent scores. Local golfers John Knowles and Peter Hayes of Didsbury Golf Club shot a very good score of 47 points. However, it was Edwin McFerran of Grange Park and Graham Eades of Blundells Hill who took the title with an impressive 48 points.



Some of the seniors driving off the 1st tee!

Well done and thanks to everyone who supported the event!

Sale Ladies retain the Mersey Shield!

On Wednesday 10th May, in glorious weather, Sale played host to the prestigious annual Ladies Mersey Shield - a 4BBB competition between the five Mersey clubs of Chorlton, Didsbury, Northenden, Sale and Withington. The day was a great success aided by a band of volunteers on the registration desk, starting on the first tee, marshalling the course, checking the cards and updating the leaderboard.

The event which has been running since 1959 provides the clubs the opportunity to meet up, play

together and enjoy the hospitality afterwards. Up to 14 pairs from each club compete with the aggregated points from the top 6 pairs giving the club score.

In this year's exciting event it came down to Didsbury and Sale with a few groups to go. However, it was our ladies who came out on top pipping Didsbury by 2 points with a final score of 244.

There were some excellent scores from our ladies. Our top scorers were:

Cath Rawthore & Julie Matthews	43 points
Ella Rawthore & Caroline Croxton	43 points
Jenny Dolphin & Margaret Lennon	41 points
Maria Walmsley & Cynthia Hammond	40 points
Jane Ashcroft & Mathilda Botman	39 points
Chris Johnson & Fiona Flanagan	38 points

Also well done to Cath Rawthore/ Julie Matthews and Ella Rawthore/ Caroline Croxton who came 2nd and 3rd in the individual prizes.



Madam President and Lady Captain pose proudly with the Mersey Shield.

Karl Morris a hit with members

Earlier this month Karl Morris, one of Europe's leading Performance Coaches, visited the club to deliver his highly regarded 'Mind Factor' workshop. Karl who has worked with and achieved success with six Major champions and over 100 PGA and European tour players, delivered the session to 40 eager Sale members looking to improve their golf.

The workshop which lasted two hours - covered a range of interesting topics on the mental game from putting with 'quiet eyes' to the importance of setting targets.

As Karl stated, the mental game is a part of the game that is often overlooked. Far too many of us are quick to book golf lessons and work on our swing but very rarely would think to work on our mind. Hopefully now this is something we can all appreciate and work on.

Organised by Andrew Daley, the evening was a great success and we look forward to one of Andrew's next upcoming events.



Karl giving our members plenty of useful tips and advice!

Family Open Day – a great success!

On Bank Holiday Monday 29th May, the club held its first ever Family Open Day. The purpose of the day was to give visitors the opportunity to come and see what Sale Golf Club is all about, hit a few shots and maybe even play a few holes.

As it was our first time running a Family Open Day, it was difficult to project how many people would come –despite the heavy promotion and marketing.

The day began at 10am with our first visitors arriving keen to give golf a try and hit a few balls. We had a number of different activities set out to keep all members of the family entertained. There was a 6 hole putting competition set up on the practice green, 2 testing downhill putting stations on the back of the 18th green, a 9 hole chipping competition set up around the chipping green and balls were available to hit on the practice ground. The chipping station was especially popular with the

competitive juniors! Free coaching was also available on the practice ground which all visitors enjoyed and took full advantage of.



The juniors loved the chipping competition!

Not only did the guests on the day enjoy the golf, but they also enjoyed the food and drink on offer from Yvon and Maureen in the clubhouse. Yvon had a food station set up in the Dining Room which served burgers, chicken burgers, sausages and chips. The perfect post golf meal! Thanks to both Maureen and Yvon for their hard work on the day.

Overall, the day was well supported by both visitors and members with around 40 visitors on the day. 2 of which have now gone onto join as full members!

For our first ever attempt, the day went extremely well and is something we can build on going forward.