



## Sale Golf Club News – May 2018

### Sale ladies retain the Mersey Shield!

Earlier this month our very own Sale ladies retained the Mersey Shield at Withington Golf Club - winning by an impressive 7 shots from rivals Didsbury.

The ladies battled it out against the 4 other Mersey Clubs for the Mersey Shield, which is a stableford team event played in pairs.

There was some fantastic golf played by our ladies especially from Cath Rawthore, Caroline Croxton, Lady Captain and Maria Walmsley who all came in with 39 points. Moira Forster and Jenny Kehoe also played very well scoring an impressive 38 points between them.

Last year's President Carol Broadbent played with Matilda Botman and came in with 37 points. This was matched by Sale pair Bernadette Rudman and Alice Connett who also came in with a very good 37 points.

A solid 35 points from Sue Barrett and Sophia Casey put the team on a total of 225 points to win by 7 from Didsbury and retain the Shield.

Well done ladies – great golf!



**Winners again – the ladies with the Mersey Shield!**

## Great evening had by all at our New Members Golf and Curry Night!

We had a great turn out earlier this month for our New Members Golf and Curry Night.

15 keen new members took part in the fun 9 hole Golf and Curry Night and listening to the feedback all had a really fun and enjoyable time!

There was a good mix of men and ladies on the Night which was fantastic to see. Lady Captain organised a Texas scramble for the ladies while our Club Manager and Club Captain organised one for the men.

This was the second time now the Club has organised a New Members Golf and Curry Night and it seems to be proving very popular indeed.

The main focus of the Golf and Curry Nights is to provide an opportunity for new members to meet new people at the Club, make some new friends and feel very much a part of Sale Golf Club.



**Selfie Time! All smiles on the first tee ready for the action to begin!**

We will be looking to hold another New Members Golf and Curry Night later on in the summer so if you know of any new members who might like to get involved please let them know.

## Taster session results in 16 New Lady Get into Golf Members!

Our taster sessions and coaching programmes are really starting to pay off as an amazing 16 ladies join the Club on our Get into Golf membership.

19 ladies originally signed up for our 4 week coaching programme with PGA Pro Mike Stewart and amazingly 16 have since gone on to become Get into Golf members.

Last year we had over a dozen ladies graduate from the coaching programme onto our Get into Golf Membership and now 9 ladies have since gone on to join the Club as full members.

It really is fantastic to see so many new ladies joining the Club and hopefully we can build a reputation as having one of the best ladies sections in the North West.

A massive well done and thank you to Lady Captain Chris Johnson and our other lady members who continue to encourage and welcome more ladies to the Club. Also, a big thank you to our Professional Mike Stewart for delivering the coaching programme and continuing to support the Club in its ambition to become one of the best Clubs around.



**Lady Captain Chris Johnson with some of our new lady members who have graduated from the first taster session and coaching programme right through to become full members!**

## Juniors win their first match away at Vale Royal!

Sale juniors won their first team match in a long time away at Vale Royal Abbey earlier this month.

Junior Organiser Mike Hobson took a team of 4 juniors to Vale Royal to play the friendly match with our juniors managing to come out on top winning 3.5 to 0.5 points.

The match is a sign of things to come for Sale juniors as we continue to build up the junior section and grow from strength to strength. It has been a long time since we've had any junior team matches due to lack of numbers and a struggling junior section but this match hopefully marks the start of things to come.

We will be playing a home fixture against Vale Royal over the next couple of months either in July or August and going forward this looks to be the makings of a nice relationship between us and Vale Royal.

We have also recently agreed to a 'Round Robin' junior team competition which includes Hillside, Conway and our new reciprocal partners Prenton.

Again this is great news as it provides the juniors with the opportunity to play on some of the North West's best golf courses for free and give them a taste of links golf. We are now just waiting with anticipation to hear back from Prenton on when the first fixture will be.



**The junior side led by Junior Captain James Hobson**