SUNY Cortland Men's Outdoor Track and Field

at ECAC Division III Championships
Thursday-Friday, May 5-6, 2006; Springfield College; Springfield, Mass.

SPRINGFIELD, MASS. – Cortland turned in 13 top-eight finishes, including two individual titles, to finish third out of 54 teams that scored points at the Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC) Division III Men's Outdoor Track and Field Championships, hosted by Springfield College. Williams won the meet with 81 points, followed by Lincoln (Pa.) (63), Cortland (62), New Jersey City (51) and New York University (38).

Freshman Tynez Wilson (Endicott/Union-Endicott) won the triple jump with an NCAA provisional qualifying and personal best distance of 47' 10". He also finished fifth in the long jump (22' 2.25"). Senior Marcus Matyas (Hamburg) won the discus with a distance of 159' 5" and was second in the shot put at 53' 5", both NCAA provisional qualifiers.

Freshman Jake Zanetti (Saratoga Springs) was one of three competitors to clear a meet-best 14' 9.5" in the pole vault. Due to fewer misses, however, another competitor was awarded first place and Zanetti finished second.

Senior Dave Neal (Port Ewen/Kingston) finished fifth in the 800 meters with an NCAA provisional qualifying time of 1:52.52. Freshman Ken Little (Ballston Lake/Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake) and freshman Shamus Nally (Burnt Hills/Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake) placed fourth and fifth, respectively, in the 5,000 meters. Little finished in 15:15.11, just ahead of Nally’s 15:15.41.

The 4x100-meter relay team of sophomore Kevin Ma (Cornwall), sophomore Amaan Siddeeq (New Hampton/Goshen), senior Andy Putman (Clinton) and junior Nick Wetherby (Olean) finished sixth in 42.60 seconds. Other Red Dragons scoring points with top-eight finishes included senior Eric Czachor (Middleburgh) and junior Matt Carpenter (Fairport), who placed seventh (47’ 10.5") and eighth (47’ 6.5"), respectively, in the shot put, junior Rue Thompson (Newburgh/Newburgh Free Academy), who was seventh in the 400-meter hurdles (55.87), and Siddeeq, who placed eighth in the 100-meter dash (11.21).

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