SUNY Cortland Swimming and Diving

SUNY Cortland vs. SUNY New Paltz
Saturday, January 29, 2005; SUNY New Paltz; New Paltz, N.Y.

Men's Final Score: Cortland 107, New Paltz 92
Women's Final Score: New Paltz 109.5, Cortland 93.5

NEW PALTZ, N.Y. – Cortland's men's swimming and diving team defeated host New Paltz, 107-92, in the Red Dragons' final dual meet of the season, while the women dropped a 109.5-93.5 decision to the Hawks. Cortland's men finish the dual season 10-4 and the women end with an 11-2 record.

Sophomore Andy Chevalier (Chazy/Chazy Central Rural) won three individual events for the Red Dragon men. He touched the wall first in the 200-yard individual medley (2:00.61), the 200-yard butterfly (2:06.92) and the 500-yard freestyle (5:02.95). Junior Jim Pioli (Grand Island) captured both the 200-yard freestyle (1:52.39) and the 200-yard backstroke (2:06.30).

Freshman Alan Marcel (Central Islip) won the 50-yard freestyle (23.47) and sophomore Jason Wiese (Buffalo/Kenmore West) won the 1,000-yard freestyle (10:58.70). The 400-yard freestyle relay team of junior Brendan Quest (Staten Island/Monsignor Farrell), Marcel, freshman Jeff Kunkel (Cheektowaga/Cleveland Hill) and freshman Jeremy Cuebas (Brentwood) won as an exhibition entry in 3:23.54.

In addition, Cuebas was second in the 1,000-yard freestyle (11:00.63), Quest was second in the 50-yard freestyle (24.03), Kunkel placed second in the 100-yard freestyle (51.80) and sophomore Pat Connolly (Yorktown/Lakeland) was runnerup in the 200-yard butterfly (2:08.54). The 400-yard medley relay team of Pioli, freshman Brett Humphreys (Amsterdam), Connolly and Marcel finished second in 3:47.73.

Cortland's women earned one individual event victory and wins in both relays. Freshman Sarah O'Loughlin (Pleasantville) won the 200-yard butterfly in 2:18.47. The quartet of freshman Erica Clark (Sloatsburg/Suffern), junior Abby Murphy (Montour Falls/Odessa-Montour), senior Nicki Damiano (Middletown) and sophomore Nikk LaBarge (Morrisonville/Peru) won the 400-yard medley relay (4:12.75), while sophomore Allie Houseman (Wellsville), sophomore Krista Lennox (Buffalo/Williamsville East), Damiano and LaBarge won the 400-yard freestyle relay (3:46.24).

Lennox placed second in the 500-yard freestyle (5:32.02) and 1,000-yard freestyle. Murphy was second in the 200-yard freestyle (2:05.99) and 200-yard breaststroke (2:33.05), missing first place in the latter by less than a second. LaBarge's time of 25.03 seconds in the 50-yard freestyle was second by 0.14 seconds and Houseman placed second in the 100-yard freestyle (56.23).

Only swimming events were conducted during the meet since New Paltz does not have a diving facility.

Cortland will compete at the SUNYAC Swimming and Diving Championships Feb. 9-12 at the Flickinger Center at Erie Community College in Buffalo.

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