TROY, N.Y. – Sophomore Andy Chevalier (Chazy/Chazy Central Rural) and senior Jack Popper (Merrick/Bellmore JFK) each won two events as Cortland finished third at the seven-team Henry Kumpf Invitational, hosted by RPI.

The Red Dragons finished with 467 points. Ithaca won the meet with 548 points, followed by RPI (503), Cortland, New Paltz (288), Oneonta (197), Clarkson (183) and Skidmore (69).

Chevalier finished first in the 200-yard individual medley (2:01.33) and the 200-yard butterfly (2:01.38). Popper was the top performer in both the one-meter (255.80 pts.) and three-meter (288.90 pts.) diving events.

Sophomore Jason Wiese (Buffalo/Kenmore West), junior Brendan Quest (Staten Island/Monsignor Farrell), sophomore Pat Connolly (Yorktown/Lakeland) and senior Chris Griffin (Mexico) each earned a pair of top-six individual finishes. Wiese was fourth in the 1,000-yard freestyle (10:37.76) and fifth in the 500-yard freestyle (5:11.45). Quest placed fourth in the 50-yard freestyle (23.19) and fifth in the 100-yard freestyle (51.18), while Connolly was sixth in both the 1,000-yard freestyle (10:51.75) and the 200-yard butterfly (2:09.42). Griffin was third in both diving events, scoring 219.20 points on the one-meter board and 244.40 points on the three-meter board.

In addition, junior Jim Pioli (Grand Island) placed third in the 200-yard backstroke (2:06.93) and freshman Brett Humphreys (Amsterdam) was fifth in the 200-yard breaststroke (2:22.33).

Cortland placed two entries in the top five in the 400-yard freestyle relay. Freshman Jeff Kunkel (Cheektowaga/Cleveland Hill), Connolly, Pioli and freshman Alan Marcel (Central Islip) were third in 3:26.39. Freshman Jeremy Cuebas (Brentwood), junior Sonny Porras (Great Neck/Great Neck North), senior Chad Lundwall (Smithtown) and Quest finished fifth in 3:30.54.

In the meet-opening 400-yard medley relay, the combination of Pioli, freshman Coop Paulson (Mt. Vision/Laurens), Chevalier and Marcel finished fourth (3:51.34).

In addition to the tournament scoring, the meet was also scored as dual meets between each participating team. Cortland finished 5-1 in the dual scoring, losing to Ithaca (139-100) and defeating RPI (122-121), New Paltz (153-83), Oneonta (161-81), Clarkson (177-59) and Skidmore (199-32). The Red Dragons’ dual record is now 8-2.

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