SUNY Cortland Swimming and Diving

SUNY Cortland vs. SUNY Oswego
Tuesday, January 17, 2006; Holsten Pool; Cortland, N.Y.

WOMEN'S FINAL SCORE: Oswego 141, Cortland 102
MEN'S FINAL SCORE: Cortland 129, Oswego 112

CORTLAND, N.Y. – The SUNY Cortland men’s swimming and diving team improved its dual record to 11-1 while handing SUNY Oswego its first loss of the season as the Red Dragons defeated the Lakers, 129-112. Oswego is now 6-1. In women’s action, Oswego improved to 7-0 with a 141-102 win over the host Red Dragons. Cortland slips to 4-1-1 with the loss.

Cortland’s men opened with a win by senior Jim Pioli (Grand Island), sophomore Brett Humphreys (Amsterdam), junior Pat Connolly (Shrub Oak/Lakeland) and freshman Drew Hilker (Ithaca) in the 400-yard medley relay (3:39.90). Junior Andy Chevalier (Chazy/Chazy Central Rural) posted a win in the 200-yard freestyle (1:48.59) and sophomore Alan Marcel (Central Islip) won the 50-yard freestyle (22.28).

Connolly earned top honors in the 200-yard individual medley (2:05.00), Hilker won the 100-yard freestyle (48.47), Pioli captured the 200-yard backstroke (2:15.92) and Humphreys touched the wall first in the 200-yard breaststroke (2:15.92). Cortland concluded the evening with a win by Marcel, sophomore Jeff Kunkel (Cheektowaga/Cleveland Hill), sophomore Jeremy Cuebas (Brentwood) and Pioli in the 400-yard freestyle (3:16.48).

Oswego was led by junior Jason Cotter (Oswego), who won both the 1,000-yard freestyle (10:22.27) and 500-yard freestyle (4:59.52), and sophomore Kevin Morgan (Saratoga Springs), who captured both the one-meter (287.40 pts.) and three-meter (257.00 pts.) diving competitions. Also posting a win for the Lakers was junior Joe Dotterweich (East Aurora) with a time of 2:06.29 in the 200-yard butterfly.

In the women’s meet, Oswego picked up two wins apiece from junior Leslie Simrell (Ithaca) and freshman Nikki Bush (Glens Falls). Simrell won the 1,000-yard freestyle (11:07.60) and 500-yard freestyle (5:22.78), while Bush posted a score of 228.60 points in one-meter diving and 202.70 points in three-meter diving.

Also for Oswego, senior Lauren Spacone (Grand Island) won the 200-yard freestyle (2:03.99), junior Meredith Thomas (Newburgh) won the 200-yard butterfly (2:13.64). The Lakers also won the meet-opening 400-yard medley relay as freshman Yolanda Lee (Vernon), junior Meredith Lerch (Manlius), Thomas and Spacone were clocked in 4:16.34.

Cortland junior Nikki LaBarge (Morrisonville/Peru) won both the 200-yard individual medley (2:15.22) and the 100-yard freestyle (55.44). Junior Allie Houseman (Wellsville) placed first in the 50-yard freestyle (25.15), freshman Lauren Friedlander (Woodbury/Syosset) captured the 200-yard backstroke (2:18.69) and senior Abby Murphy (Montour Falls/Odessa-Montour) won the 200-yard breaststroke.

Cortland finished the meet with a win from Houseman, junior Marissa Bechtold (Lockport), junior Krista Lennox (Williamsville/Williamsville East) and LaBarge in the 400-yard freestyle relay (3:45.10).

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