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Five Cortland Baseball Players Named to All-New York Region Team

Five SUNY Cortland baseball players were chosen to the 2003 NCAA Division III ABCA/Rawlings New York Region all-star team. Senior first baseman Jeff Flegler (Gloucester, NJ) and junior pitcher Mike Hubbs (Averill Park/Tamarac) were first team selections. Freshman outfielder Andy Mead (Baldwinsville/C.W. Baker) and sophomore pitcher Matt Miller (Harrison) were named to the second team and junior third baseman Neal Heaton Jr. (Bellport) was a third team honoree. Flegler and Hubbs were eligible for All-America honors, but neither was chosen to the national team.

Flegler, the State University of New York Athletic Conference (SUNYAC) Player of the Year, finished the season with a .396 batting average and led Cortland with seven home runs and 52 runs batted in. He also stole nine bases and was second on the team with 10 doubles.

The SUNYAC Pitcher of the Year, Hubbs posted a 7-1 record and a team-best 1.58 earned run average in 10 appearances, nine as a starter. He allowed just 38 hits and 18 walks in 68 and one-third innings and he struck out 50 batters. Opponents batted .159 against Hubbs, who was undefeated before losing in the NCAA Division III New York Regional final versus Trinity College (Conn.)

Mead, who was the SUNYAC First Year Player of the Year, batted .375 with a homer and 23 RBI. He led the Red Dragons with six triples, 11 stolen bases and 41 runs scored.

Miller finished with a 7-1 record to share team victory honors with Hubbs. He allowed 44 hits and struck out 63 batters in 59 innings and registered a 3.05 ERA.

Heaton batted .413 with two homers, five doubles, four triples, 23 RBI and seven stolen bases. During one portion of the season, Heaton hit safely in 21 straight games.

Cortland ended the season with a 35-11 record for its 10th consecutive 30-win campaign. The Red Dragons won their seventh straight SUNYAC title and competed in the NCAA Division III playoffs for the 11th straight season.

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