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SUNY Cortland Baseball

Doubleheader vs. SUNY Fredonia; Fredonia, N.Y.
Sunday, April 6, 2003

FINAL SCORES:
Game 1: Cortland 13, Fredonia 0
Game 2: Cortland 15, Fredonia 5

FREDONIA, N.Y. – Senior Jeff Flegler (Gloucester, NJ) went a combined 5-for-8 with six RBI as Cortland swept host Fredonia 13-0 and 15-5 in a SUNYAC doubleheader. Flegler was 2-for-3 with two RBI in the seven-inning opener and 3-for-4 with a double and four RBI in the nine-inning nightcap.

Sophomore Matt Miller (Harrison) allowed just one hit in five innings in the first game, his no-hit bid broken up by a leadoff single from Jason Popielarz in the fifth inning. Miller struck out seven and walked four. Freshman Nick McPartland (Wappingers Falls/Beacon) tossed the final two innings. He allowed one hit and one walk and struck out three.

Cortland scored twice in the first on a Neal Heaton Jr. (Bellport) RBI single and an RBI triple by freshman Andy Mead (Baldwinsville/C.W. Baker). The Red Dragons broke the game open with a nine-run third inning. Flegler singled in a run and senior Ben Albright (Poughkeepsie/Arlington) drew a bases-loaded walk to give Cortland a 4-0 lead. Sophomore Nate Gagnon (Wilton/South Glens Falls) followed with an RBI single and Heaton doubled in two runs to increase the lead to 7-0. Two outs later, senior Cory Haggerty (Ilion) walked to load the bases and senior Brian Huber (Blue Point/St. John the Baptist) cleared them with a three-run double. Flegler’s second RBI single of the inning finished the scoring.

The Red Dragons added a run in the fifth on an RBI double by freshman Travis Robinson (Ilion) and a run in the seventh on an RBI single by freshman Ray Chopay (Commack). Heaton finished 2-for-2 with three RBI and Huber had three RBI.

In the second game, Huber homered in the top of the first to give the Red Dragons a 1-0 lead. Fredonia scored two in the bottom of the inning on Mario Muscarella’s RBI double and Tim Lockhart’s run-scoring single. Cortland answered with two in the second on back-to-back RBI singles by junior Kyle Bestine (Westfield) and Haggerty, but the Blue Devils regained the lead in the bottom of the frame on Mark Taurisani’s two-run double.

Cortland knotted the game at 4-4 in the third when junior Pat D’Auria (Nyack) led off with a double, went to third on a groundout and scored on a sacrifice fly by Heaton. The Red Dragons took the lead for good with four runs in the top of the fourth. Flegler broke the tie with a two-run double. Another run scored on a wild pitch and Albright singled in the final run of the inning. Fredonia scored once in the fifth, but junior Mike Shick (Fabius/Fabius Pompey) added to the Cortland lead in the sixth with a two-out RBI single.

Leading 9-5, the Red Dragons iced the game with six unearned runs in the top of the ninth. Albright reached on an error to start the inning and scored two batters later on a Mead triple. Gagnon’s sacrifice fly scored Mead and Bestine followed by being hit by a pitch for the third time in the game (one shy of tying the NCAA Division III single-game record). Haggerty singled in a run, Huber walked and Flegler singled in two runs. Albright’s RBI double concluded the scoring.

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Sophomore Mike Burnett (Westfield) started on the mound for the Red Dragons but was taken out in the first inning after being hit in the hand by a line drive. Senior Kyle Johnson (Hornell) entered in relief and was the pitcher of record when Cortland took the lead for good in the fourth. He is now 3-1 and his 20 career wins ties him for fourth on Cortland’s career win chart. Mike Dempsey holds the school record with 24 wins. Senior Craig Robinson (Stony Point/North Rockland) entered the game with the bases loaded and one out in the fifth and Cortland leading 8-5. He struck out the first two batters he faced to end the inning and in three and two-third innings allowed three hits, no walks and no runs while fanning four. Senior Chad Parker (Marathon) retired the side in order in the ninth.

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Cortland: Matt Miller (W, 2-1), Nick McPartland (6) and Matt Ellis, Ray Chopay (6)
Fredonia: Eric Andrews (L), Brandon Miller (3) and Mark Taurisani

HR - none
3B - Andy Mead (C)
2B - Cory Haggerty (C), Brian Huber (C), Travis Robinson (C)

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Cortland (11-7, 6-0 SUNYAC): Mike Burnett, Kyle Johnson (1, W 3-1), Craig Robinson (5), Chad Parker (9) and Kyle Bestine, Ray Chopay (9)
Fredonia (3-11, 0-2 SUNYAC): Bret McCabe (L), Mike Munski (6), Shane Morrison (9) and Mark Taurisani

HR - Brian Huber (C)
3B - Andy Mead (C), Mark Taurisani (F)
2B - Brian Huber (C), Jeff Fiegler (C), Pat D’Auria (C), Ben Albright (C), Mark Taurisani (F), Mario Muscarella (F)