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SUNY Cortland Baseball

Doubleheader vs. Hartwick College; Damaschke Field; Oneonta, N.Y.
Sunday, April 27, 2003

FINAL SCORES:
Game 1: Cortland 1, Hartwick 0
Game 2: Cortland 17, Hartwick 4

ONEONTA, N.Y. – Sophomore Matt Miller (Harrison) threw a one-hitter and struck out 13 batters as nationally sixth-ranked Cortland defeated Hartwick 1-0 in the first game of a doubleheader. The Red Dragons’ offense exploded in the second game in a 17-4 victory over the Hawks. Both games were seven innings. Cortland is now 26-9, while Hartwick drops to 8-12.

Miller, 4-1, allowed a one-out walk to Josh Jennings and a two-out single up the middle by Josh Van Arsdale in the first inning as the Hawks put runners on first and third. Miller got out of the jam with a strikeout. Hartwick drew a leadoff walk in the second, but Miller proceeded to retire the next 16 batters, nine by strikeout. John Buttles reached on a walk with one out in the seventh, but a fielder’s choice and a strikeout ended the game.

The game’s lone run came in the top of the fourth inning. Ben Albright (Poughkeepsie/Arlington) reached second on an error by Hartwick’s right fielder and went to third on a Jeff Flegler (Gloucester, NJ) single. With one out, Josh Horner (Groton) hit a grounder to short. The Hawks forced out Flegler at second but were unable to turn the inning-ending double play as Albright scored. Sophomore Nate Gagnon (Wilton/South Glens Falls) was 2-for-2 and freshman Andy Mead (Baldwinsville/C.W. Baker) was 2-for-4 to account for four of Cortland’s six hits. Hartwick starter Rob Nelson went the distance, striking out six, walking three and giving up one unearned run.

In the second game, Cortland scored in six of seven innings in support of junior Toby Youngs (Windsor). Youngs improved his record to 4-1, giving up three hits and three runs, one earned, in four innings. He struck out five and walked three. Cory Haggerty (Ilion) finished 3-for-3 with a triple and five RBI. Mead went 2-for-2 with a pair of doubles. Neal Heaton Jr. (Bellport), Mike Shick (Fabius/Fabius Pompey) and Ray Chopay (Commack) each added two hits and Flegler drove in two runs.

Mead doubled in the first and scored on an error, and Heaton singled in a run later in the inning to give Cortland an early 2-0 lead. Haggerty tripled in three runs and scored on a Flegler sacrifice fly in a four-run second inning. The Red Dragons’ five-run third inning was highlighted by Mead’s RBI double, Haggerty’s two-run single and Flegler’s RBI double. The lead was extended to 12-0 in the fourth on Horner’s sacrifice fly.

Hartwick scored three times in the bottom of the fourth. Buttles singled in a run, Mike Palanza hit a run-scoring double and another run scored on a passed ball. Cortland answered right back with three unearned runs in the top of the fifth. A walk, a hit batsman and an error brought in a run and Kyle Bestine’s (Westfield) fielder’s choice grounder plated another run. Shick drove in the third run with a single to left.

The Hawks’ final run was driven in by Stephen Marshall with a single to left in the fifth. Cortland scored twice in the top of the seventh on an error and a Chopay RBI single. Hartwick committed seven errors in the contest and 11 of the 17 runs they allowed were unearned.

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Cortland: Matt Miller (W, 4-1) and Matt Ellis
Hartwick: Rob Nelson (L, 1-3) and Eddie Prymas

HR - none
3B - none
2B - Neal Heaton Jr. (C)

Game 2: Cortland 17, Hartwick 4

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Cortland (26-9): Toby Youngs (W, 4-1), Henry Elwyn (5), Chad Parker (6), Craig Robinson (7) and Ray Chopay
Hartwick (8-12): Brett Rottkamp (L, 2-2), David Linda (3), Avram Doomchin (5) and Eddie Prymas

HR - none
3B - Cory Haggerty (C), Neal Heaton Jr. (C)
2B - Andy Mead (C) 2, Jim Abran (C), Jeff Flegler (C), P.J. Hermance (C), Josh Van Arsdale (H), Mike Palanza (H)