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SUNY Cortland Baseball
Doubleheader vs. SUNY Oswego; Wallace Field; Cortland, N.Y.
Wednesday, April 2, 2003

FINAL SCORES:
Game 1: Cortland 1, Oswego 0
Game 2: Cortland 7, Oswego 1

CORTLAND, N.Y. – Jeff Flegler (Gloucester, NJ) led off the bottom of the sixth inning with a solo homer to left-center as Cortland defeated Oswego 1-0 in the first game of a SUNYAC doubleheader. Flegler also homered in the second game as the 24th-ranked Red Dragons completed the sweep with a 7-1 victory. Cortland is now 9-7 overall and 4-0 in SUNYAC play. Oswego suffered its first two losses of the season and is now 7-2 overall and 0-2 in the SUNYAC.

The first game, a seven-inning affair, featured a pitching duel between Cortland’s Mike Hubbs (Averill Park/Tamarac) and Oswego’s Mike Baca (Vernon/V-V-S). Hubbs tossed a complete-game, three-hit shutout, striking out six and walking two. Baca scattered six hits while striking out three and walking two. Flegler had three of Cortland’s six hits, finishing 3-for-3 with a double in addition to his homer.

Both teams had good scoring chances go by the board in the second inning. In the top of the inning, an Eric Quadrozzi (Rochester/Greece Athena) walk, a Garrit Tallini (Durhamville/V-V-S) single, a wild pitch and a walk to Dan Bartel (Lancaster) loaded the bases with one out. Hubbs struck out the next batter for the second out, and Steve Doughty (Hyde Park/FDR) attempted to bunt for a hit but was barely thrown out by Cortland catcher Matt Ellis (Owego/Owego Free Academy) when Flegler scooped Ellis’ throw out of the dirt.

In the bottom of the second, Cortland’s Nate Gagnon (Wilton/South Glens Falls) doubled with one out and went to third on a bunt single by Neal Heaton Jr. (Bellport). Baca, however, got Ellis to ground into a double play to end the inning. Oswego had a runner advance to third with two outs in the fifth before a groundout ended the threat.

In the nine-inning second game, Ryan Ensel (Clifton Park/Shenendehowa) earned the victory for Cortland. He allowed six hits, struck out six and walked two in seven and one-third innings.

Flegler hit a solo homer to left in the first to stake the Red Dragons to an early 1-0 lead. Oswego tied the game in the top of the second when Tallini doubled with one out and scored on a two-out single by Mike Michalski (Albany/Colonie). Cortland took the lead for good with three runs in the bottom of the second. Pat D’Auria (Nyack), who finished the game 3-for-4 with two doubles, led off the inning with a double to center. Brian Huber (Blue Point/St. John the Baptist) singled D’Auria to third and Andy Mead (Baldwinsville/C.W. Baker) singled to left to drive in a run. Two batters later, Heaton singled to center to drive in Huber and Flegler finished the scoring later in the inning with a sacrifice fly.

Cortland added a run in the third on Mead’s RBI single through the left side. The Red Dragons also scored on a Cory Haggerty (Ilion) RBI single in the sixth and a fielder’s choice RBI grounder by Ben Albright (Poughkeepsie/Arlington) in the eighth. Mead, Huber, Heaton and Albright each finished with two hits and Flegler was 1-for-3 with two RBI. Bob Farrell (Oswego) was 2-for-3 and Quadrozzi was 2-for-4 to lead the Lakers.

(linescores on following page)
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Oswego        000 000 0    0    3    0
Cortland      000 001 x    1    6    0

Oswego: Mike Baca (L, 2-1) and Dave Johnson
Cortland: Mike Hubbs (W, 2-0) and Matt Ellis, Kyle Bestine (6)

HR - Jeff Flagler (C)
3B - none
2B - Jeff Flagler (C), Nate Gagnon (C)

Game 2: Cortland 7, Oswego 1

123 456 789  R    H    E
Oswego        010 000 000  1    7    1
Cortland      131 001 01x  7   13    1

Oswego (7-2, 2-0 SUNYAC): Matt Mullin (L, 1-1), Ryan Stiles (2), Joel Quill (7), Mike Bushey (8) and Dave Johnson
Cortland (9-7, 4-0 SUNYAC): Ryan Ensel (W, 2-0), Nick McPartland (8), Ryan Brown (9) and Kyle Bestine, Ray Chopay (9)

HR - Jeff Flagler (C)
3B - Brian Huber (C)
2B - Garrit Tallini (OSW), Pat D’Auria (C) 2