SUNY Cortland Baseball

SUNY Cortland vs. West Virginia Wesleyan College; Ormond Beach, Fla.
Monday, March 10, 2003

FINAL SCORE: Cortland 7, West Virginia Wesleyan 1

Senior Brian Huber’s (Blue Point/St. John the Baptist) two-run triple keyed a five-run fifth inning as Cortland defeated Division II West Virginia Wesleyan, 7-1, to snap a three-game losing streak.

Sophomore Mike Burnett (Westfield) scattered four hits over five scoreless innings to earn the win in his first start as a Red Dragon. Senior Chad Parker (Marathon) pitched one scoreless inning and sophomore Ryan Brown (Liverpool) earned the save by allowing just one run over the final three innings.

Huber finished 1-for-2 with two walks, two RBI and three stolen bases. Senior Jeff Flegler (Gloucester, NJ) was 2-for-3 with a walk, two steals and senior Cory Haggerty (Ilion) was 1-for-3 with two walks and three stolen bases. Cortland stole nine bases without being caught once.

Cortland took a 1-0 lead in the second when Huber led off with a walk, eventually stole both second and third base and scored on an RBI single by junior Neal Heaton Jr. (Bellport). The score stayed that way until the fifth when Haggerty led off with a walk and stole second. Senior Ben Albright (Poughkeepsie/Arlington) singled Haggerty to third and Flegler followed with an RBI single. Sophomore Nate Gagnon’s (Wilton/South Glens Falls) RBI single extended the lead to 3-0 and, two batters later, Huber tripled in two runs. Sophomore Matt Ellis (Owego/Owego Free Academy) hit a sacrifice fly to centerfield to finish the scoring.

West Virginia Wesleyan scored in the eighth on a one-out homer by Eric Schmook. Cortland’s final run came in the bottom of the eighth on an RBI single by junior Kyle Bestine (Westfield). West Virginia Wesleyan left 13 runners on base, including the bases loaded in the fifth and seventh innings and runners on third in the fourth and eighth frames.

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WV Wesleyan: David Beach (L), Antony Gardzielik (6), Dustin Schilpp (8) and Dan Gitzen
Cortland: Mike Burnett (W), Chad Parker (6), Ryan Brown (7, Sv) and Matt Ellis, Kyle Bestine (6)

HR - Eric Schmook (WVW)
3B - Brian Huber (C)
2B - Steve Smythe (WVW), Rickey Bergen (WVW)