2006 SUNYAC Baseball Tournament

DAY 1 – Friday, May 5, 2006 – Wallace Field – Cortland, N.Y.

Friday’s Scores:
Game 1: (#2) Oneonta 1, (#3) Plattsburgh 0
Game 2: (#4) Brockport 10, (#1) Cortland 4
Game 3: Cortland 11, Plattsburgh 2 (Plattsburgh eliminated)

Saturday’s Schedule:
Game 4: Oneonta vs. Brockport, 12 p.m.
Game 5: Cortland vs. Game 4 loser, 4 p.m.

Sunday’s Schedule:
Game 6: Game 4 winner vs. Game 5 winner, 12 p.m.
(Second game to follow, if necessary)

GAME 1: Oneonta 1, Plattsburgh 0

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Plattsburgh: Dan Hoffman (L, 7-1) and Zach Welch (Cardinals: 26-12)
Oneonta: Chris Salamida (W, 7-2) and Mike Kuratnick (Red Dragons: 30-8)

HR – Mike Kuratnick (ON)

Senior Mike Kuratnick (Apalachin/Vestal) hit a solo homer to lead off the bottom of the seventh as Oneonta defeated Plattsburgh in the opening game of the tournament. Junior Chris Salamida (Watervliet) pitched a five-hit shutout with eight strikeouts and only one walk and is 7-2 on the season.

Plattsburgh senior Dan Hoffman (Commack) allowed only three hits and one walk in eight innings. He struck out eight and suffered his first loss in eight decisions. Hoffman took a no-hitter one out into the sixth inning before allowing an infield single to pinch-hitter Ryan Myers (Clifton Park/CBA).

Plattsburgh’s best scoring chance came in the sixth when Zack Welch (Merrill/N. Adirondack) reached on an error, moved to second on a sacrifice bunt and went to third on a groundout. Welch then tried to steal home but was tagged out on a close play.

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GAME 2: Brockport 10, Cortland 4

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Brockport: Rob Maxwell (W, 4-1), Dan Ferraro (7) (Save, 2) and Jeff Schwegler (Golden Eagles: 25-16)
Cortland: Chris Bilyk (L, 5-2), George Jweid (6), Jason Chyr (7), Nick McPartland (8), Nick Baker (9), Jason Hauck (9) and Mike Zaccardo (Red Dragons: 32-7)

HR – Tim Wilson (B), Mike Avery (B), Jim Basnight (C)
2B – Jeff Schwegler (B), Dan Maycock 2 (C)

Two-run homers by freshman Mike Avery (Cortland) and junior Tim Wilson (Long Beach) in the eighth inning helped Brockport break open a close game as the Golden Eagles defeated top-seeded and nationally third-ranked Cortland in the opening round for the second straight year.

Avery finished 3-for-4 with a walk and three RBI. He singled in a run in the sixth and hit his first homer of the season to fuel Brockport’s eighth-inning outburst that extended a 5-4 lead to 9-4. Senior Mike Sparks (North Tonawanda) went 3-for-5 with two RBI. Brockport out-hit the Red Dragons by a 16-6 margin.

Sophomore Rob Maxwell (Amherst/Sweet Home) allowed six hits and three walks and struck out eight in six and two-third innings for the victory. Sophomore Dan Ferraro (Schenectady/Colonie) entered the game with the bases loaded and two outs in the seventh and Brockport leading 5-3. He hit a batter to force in a run, but did not allow a hit or run the rest of the way for his second save of the season.

Senior Ricky Piovesan (East Norwich/St. Dominic) went 2-for-4 with a pair of RBI singles and junior Dan Maycock (Utica/T.R. Proctor) was 2-for-5 with two doubles for the Red Dragons. Senior Jim Basnight (East Norwich/St. Dominic) hit a solo homer in the fourth that tied the game at 3-3.

GAME 3: Cortland 11, Plattsburgh 2

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Plattsburgh: Matt Dahlin (L, 7-3), Dave Waldron (4), Kevin Gent (6), Billy Davis (7) and Zach Welch, Brian Mehan (8) (Cardinals: 26-13)
Cortland: Jimmy Dougher (W, 8-0), Jason Chyr (6), Nick Serio (8), T.J. O’Leary (9) and Shawn Ensel (Red Dragons: 33-7)

HR – Dan Maycock (C), John Giametta Jr. (C), Shawn Ensel (C)
3B – Matt Vitalone (C)
2B – Chris Murphy (P), Shawn Ensel (C)

Junior Jimmy Dougher (Liverpool) improved his record to 8-0 as Cortland eliminated Plattsburgh from the tournament. Dougher allowed six hits and one walk, gave up one run and struck out five in six innings.

Junior Dan Maycock (Utica/T.R. Proctor), sophomore John Giametta Jr. (Marlboro) and junior Shawn Ensel (Clifton Park/Shenendehowa) all homered as part of a 15-hit Red Dragon attack. Cortland scored five runs in the bottom of the third to take the lead for good. Junior Will Groff’s (Queensbury) two-out RBI infield single gave the Red Dragons a 1-0 lead. Maycock followed with a two-run homer to left, senior Jim Basnight (East Norwich/St. Dominic) singled in a run three batters later and the final run scored when junior Travis Robinson (Iliion) stole home on the front end of a double steal.

Sophomore’s Matt Vitalone (Rome/Rome Free Academy) RBI triple and senior Andrew Mead’s (Baldwinsville/C.W. Baker) RBI single extended the lead to 7-1 in the fourth. Giametta hit a solo homer and Ensel doubled in a run in the fifth. Cortland added a run in the sixth and Ensel homered to lead off the seventh. Ensel was 3-for-3, while Basnight and senior Adam Sidebottom (Buffalo/Starpoint) each finished 3-for-4.

Freshman John Campbell (East Patchogue/Bellport) was 3-for-4 with an RBI for Plattsburgh. Freshman Chris Murphy (Brewster/North Salem) doubled in a run in the fourth after Campbell reached on a two-out bad-hop single. Campbell singled in the Cardinals’ final run with two outs in the eighth.