SUNY Cortland Field Hockey

SUNY Cortland vs. The College of New Jersey
Sunday, November 2, 2003; SUNY Cortland Stadium Complex (White); Cortland, N.Y.

FINAL SCORE: The College of New Jersey 3, Cortland 1

CORTLAND, N.Y. – The College of New Jersey, ranked third nationally in Division III, wrapped up its regular-season schedule with a 3-1 victory at fourth-ranked Cortland. The Lions are 15-2 and will await the NCAA Division III tournament selections at the end of next weekend. The Red Dragons fall to 14-2 and have dropped two straight games since opening the season with 14 straight wins.

All of the scoring took place in the first half. New Jersey was awarded a penalty stroke just 28 seconds into the game, but the attempt by junior Colleen Stamler (Stockholm, NJ/Vernon Township) went wide right. The Lions earned another penalty stroke with 22 minutes, 28 seconds left in the first half, and this time converted as senior Jackie Levy (Long Branch, NJ) beat Cortland junior goalie Joanna Lent (Corinth) to the upper right-hand corner of the cage for her fifth goal this fall.

The Lions took a 2-0 lead just under three minutes later. A shot by senior Lauren Wooster (Clementon, NJ/Overbrook Regional) was saved by Lent, but the rebound was controlled by junior Kim Feeley (Collingswood, NJ). Feeley sent a short pass to Stamler at the left post and Stamler knocked home the shot for her team-high 14th goal of the season.

Cortland got back within 2-1 with 13:39 left in the half. The Red Dragons were awarded a penalty stroke and junior Renee Schwertfeger (Holland Patent) scored on a low shot for her first collegiate goal. The Lions concluded the scoring with 3:05 remaining in the half. Senior Jackie Scullin (Holland, PA/Council Rock) took a penalty corner and sent the ball to Wooster near the top left of the circle. Wooster blasted the ball in from about 15 yards out for her fourth goal of the season to extend New Jersey's lead to 3-1.

Cortland was unable to mount many second-half scoring chances until late in the game. The Red Dragons' best opportunity came with 3:55 remaining when senior Jessica Ueltschi's (Holland Patent) shot deflected off a defender's stick and hit the right post.

New Jersey sophomore goalie Kristina Beyel (Long Valley, NJ/West Morris Central) made 11 saves. Lent finished with seven saves in 15:31 of action. Sophomore Jessica Anderson (East Islip) entered the game after New Jersey's second goal and made two saves over the final 54:29.

Cortland will not play in this week's New York State Women's Collegiate Athletic Association (NYSWCAA) tournament. Cortland is hopeful for an NCAA playoff berth. Cortland and TCNJ are both considered “Pool B” independent teams for the NCAA tournament selections since neither the State University of New York Athletic Conference (SUNYAC) or the New Jersey Athletic Conference (NJAC) have enough teams to qualify for an automatic berth. There will be six “Pool B” teams in the 18-team NCAA Division III tournament field.

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Scoring Summary (Goals-Assists):
  TCNJ: Jackie Levy 1-0, Colleen Stamler 1-0, Lauren Wooster 1-0, Kim Feeley 0-1, Jackie Scullin 0-1
  Cortland: Renee Schwertfeger 1-0

Halftime: TCNJ 3, Cortland 1
Shots: TCNJ 18, Cortland 16
Penalty Corners: TCNJ 13, Cortland 10
Saves: Kristina Beyel (TCNJ) 11 (1 GA in 70:00); Joanna Lent (Cortland) 7 (2 GA in 15:31), Jessica Anderson (Cortland) 2 (1 GA in 54:29)

Record after game: Cortland (Red Dragons) 14-2 (ranked 4th in Div. III), TCNJ (Lions) 15-2 (ranked 3rd in Div. III)