FINAL SCORE: Cortland 4, Oswego 1

CORTLAND, N.Y. - Four different players scored second-half goals as the Cortland men’s soccer team defeated SUNYAC foe Oswego, 4-1, Wednesday afternoon at Holloway Field. The game was the final conference contest for both teams. With the win, the Red Dragons improved to 8-9 overall and 4-5 in the league, while the Lakers fell to 6-10-1 and 2-6-1.

After a scoreless first half in which Oswego outshot Cortland, 12-9, and held a 5-1 advantage in corner kicks, the Red Dragons wasted little time in taking a 1-0 lead. Senior Steve Castro (Elmont/Sewanhaka) sent a through pass to junior Collyn Hoyte (Medford/Longwood) in the box. Hoyte ran onto the ball and sent a low shot past Oswego senior goalie John Spuhler (Fulton/G. Ray Bodley) and into the lower right corner in the 49th minute. The Lakers tied the game in the 55th minute when senior Luis Fernandez (DeWitt/Clinton) converted on a penalty kick.

Three minutes later, Cortland regained the lead for good. Sophomore Jordan Berg (Jamestown) fed a pass to senior Matt Daum (New Paltz) on the right side of the box. Daum controlled the ball, then sent a left-footed shot from 15 yards out past Spuhler. Daum then set up Cortland’s next goal in the 67th minute. Sophomore Cody Healey (Endicott/Union-Endicott) ran onto Daum’s diagonal pass and put a shot just under the crossbar for a 3-1 lead. Freshman Matt Mankowski (Clarence) closed out the scoring in the 87th minute as he finished off Healey’s pass with a shot inside the right post.

The Lakers had several good chances in the first half, but Cortland junior goalie Ross Morelli (Rochester/Hilton) denied junior Scott Brown’s (Fulton/G. Ray Bodley) header in the 36th minute and made a diving save on Fernandez’s direct kick in the 38th minute. Sophomore Jason Popovich (Baldwinsville/C.W. Baker) hit the crossbar for the Lakers in the 43rd minute, and the ball bounced back in play but Morelli grabbed it.

Morelli made eight saves for Cortland, while Spuhler stopped five shots before being ejected from the game in the 81st minute after drawing two yellow cards. Junior Greg Keenan (Warsaw) made one save for the Lakers in the final nine minutes, four seconds.

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Scoring Summary (Goals-Assists):

Oswego: Luis Fernandez 1-0
Cortland: Matt Daum 1-1, Cody Healey 1-1, Collyn Hoyte 1-0, Matt Mankowski 1-0, Jordan Berg 0-1, Stave Castro 0-1

Halftime: Cortland 0, Oswego 0

Shots: Oswego 19, Cortland 18
Corner Kicks: Oswego 5, Cortland 2
Saves: John Spuhler (Oswego) 5 (3 GA in 80:56), Greg Keenan (Oswego) 1 (1 GA in 9:04); Ross Morelli (Cortland) 8 (1 GA in 90:00)

Record after game: Cortland (Red Dragons) 8-9, 4-5 SUNYAC; Oswego (Lakers) 6-10-1, 2-6-1 SUNYAC

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