SUNY Cortland Softball

SUNY Cortland vs. Ithaca College (Doubleheader)
Wednesday, April 13, 2005; Kostriisky Field; Ithaca, N.Y.

GAME 1: Ithaca 9, Cortland 3
GAME 2: Cortland 1, Ithaca 0

ITHACA, N.Y. – Junior Jen Rockwell (Scotia) hit a solo homer with two outs in the top of the sixth inning and senior Erika Cremona (Mastic Beach/William Floyd) outdueled Ithaca's Carly Myers as Cortland defeated Ithaca, 1-0, in the second game of a non-league doubleheader. Ithaca won the opener, 9-3, snapping Cortland's nine-game winning streak. The Red Dragons are now 16-7. The Bombers, which had an 11-game win streak ended with their loss in the nightcap, are now 15-7.

Cremona, now 6-3, tossed a three-hit shutout, striking out eight and walking two. The only real threat she faced was in the bottom of the fourth when Jessica Stangarone led off with a single and moved to second on a sacrifice bunt. Cremona escaped the situation with a strikeout and a flyout against Ithaca's third and fourth hitters in the lineup. No other Ithaca player reached second base.

Rockwell's homer down the left field line, her second four-bagger of the season, broke the scoreless tie. She finished 2-for-3 to account for half of Cortland's hit total. The Red Dragons had a good scoring opportunity go by the boards in the first inning. Sophomore Dominique Talbot (Rockville Centre/Southside) reached on an error with two outs and went to second on freshman Shara Evanter's (Commack) walk. Rockwell then singled to left, but Talbot was thrown out at home by Lindsay Galli to end the inning. Evanter and junior Nicole Fredericks (West Babylon) each finished the game 1-for-2 with a walk.

In the fourth, Evanter led off with a single and advanced to second when the right fielder misplayed the ball. Myers retired the next three batters, however, to keep the game scoreless. Myers allowed four hits and two walks in seven innings. She struck out four.

In the opener, Ithaca scored seven runs in the bottom of the sixth inning to break a 2-2 tie. Myers earned the win in relief, allowing two hits and one unearned run in one and one-third innings. Junior Stephanie Adamshick (Milton/Marlboro) dropped to 7-4 with the loss, allowing five hits and seven walks in five and two-third innings. She gave up six runs, four earned, and struck out four.

Cortland took a 1-0 lead in the third. Fredericks led off with a single. Sophomore Jamie Neuner (Brewster) followed with a bunt and everyone was safe on a fielder's choice. Senior Kim Huson (Binghamton/Johnson City) sacrificed the runner to second and third and Talbot's squeeze bunt drove in Fredericks. A lineout left Neuner stranded on third.

Ithaca took a 2-1 lead in the bottom of the third. A one-out error and a two-out intentional walk to Leigh Bonkowski set the stage for Kaitlyn Dulac, who doubled in both runners. Cortland rallied to tie the game in the top of the sixth. Junior Kim Wood (Equinunk, PA/Hancock) led off with a single and advanced to second on a wild pitch. Senior Erin Bock (East Hampton) bunted Wood to third and senior Keri Banta (Washingtonville) reached on a throwing error by the shortstop, allowing Wood to score.

Ithaca took the lead for good on Stangarone's two-run single in the bottom of the sixth. Sophomore Ang D'Amboise (Ballston Lake/Shenendehowa) relieved Adamshick and issued a pair of wild pitches, the latter allowing a run to score. That was, followed by a fielder's choice RBI grounder by Amanda Illinger. Later, Mel Chinigo, who had pinch run earlier in the inning, drew a bases-loaded walk to force in a run. The rally concluded with Erica Cutspec's two-run single.

Cortland's final run came when Talbot singled and, one out later, Rockwell singled. The left fielder misplayed Rockwell's hit, allowing pinch-runner Carisa Gaylardo (West Babylon/North Babylon) to score.

Neuner finished 2-for-3 and Fredericks and Talbot were each 1-for-2 for the Red Dragons. Stangarone went 2-for-3 with a walk and two RBI for Ithaca.

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Ithaca: Nicole Cade, Carly Myers (6) (W, 10-2) and Hannah Shalett

2B - Erin Bock (C), Kaitlyn Dulac (I), Madeline Kraemer (I)

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HR - Jen Rockwell (C)