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SUNY Cortland Softball

SUNY Cortland vs. Denison University
SUNY Cortland vs. McDaniel College
Monday, March 13, 2006; Oren Brown Field; Kissimmee, Fla.

FINAL SCORES:
Cortland 2, Denison 1
Cortland 5, McDaniel 3

KISSIMMEE, FLA. – The 14th-ranked Cortland softball team improved its record to 3-1 with a pair of wins at the Rebel Spring Games. The Red Dragons defeated Denison University, 2-1, and McDaniel College, 5-3.

In the opener, the Red Dragons erased a 1-0 first-inning deficit with single runs in the fifth and seventh innings, and senior Stephanie Adamshick (Milton/Marboro) held Denison hitless over the final five and a third innings to raise her record to 2-0 on the season.

The Big Red opened the scoring in the top of the first inning. Leadoff batter Emily Sack drew a walk and advanced to second on Maggie Wright’s sacrifice bunt. After a foul popout, Claire Kopko plated Sack with a double to left field before being thrown out at third on the play by Cortland junior shortstop Jamie Neuner (Brewster).

The Red Dragons were held to just one hit through the first four innings by Denison’s Rachel Thomas, but broke through with the tying run in the bottom of the fifth. With two outs, junior Kate Yaun (Liberty) struck out but reached first on a wild pitch. Yaun then stole second and scored on Neuner’s triple to right center field to tie the game at 1-1.

The Big Red threatened in the top of the sixth, loading the bases on a hit batter and two walks, but Adamshick escaped the jam be inducing a popup by Ali Silver with two outs. In the bottom of the seventh, junior Megan Dore (Staatsburg/F.D. Roosevelt) doubled to left center with one out, chasing Thomas from the game in favor of Bri Scrofano. Junior Blythe Beecher (Corning/Corning East) greeted Scrofano with a double to left center that scored Dore with the winning run.

In the second game, Cortland pounded out nine hits to back sophomore pitcher Erin Brain’s (Westtown/Minisink Valley) first career victory in the circle.

The Red Dragons staged a two-out rally in the top of the second inning to grab a 2-0 lead. After two popouts, sophomore Amanda Barnett (Syracuse/Jamesville-DeWitt) was hit by a pitch, moved to second on an error and advanced to third on a wild pitch. Yaun drew a walk and stole second. Neuner followed with a single up the middle that plated Barnett and Yaun.

The Green Terror cut the lead to 2-1 in the bottom of the third on Mary Abrams’ sacrifice fly with one out after McDaniel loaded the bases on three singles. Cortland answered with three runs on three hits in the top of the fifth inning. After junior Annmarie Nelson (Nassau/Columbia) walked to lead off the inning, senior Jen Rockwell (Scotia) singled to right field and stole second to put runners on second and third with no outs. Following a strikeout, the runners moved up on a wild pitch with one out and senior Nicole Fredericks (West Babylon) drove in Rockwell with a two-out triple down the right field line. Dore capped the inning with an RBI single up the middle.

McDaniel put together a two-out rally in the home half of the sixth to pull to within 5-3 and knock Brain from the game. Whitney Williams doubled to left center and came around to score on Megan Mitchell’s double to right center. Junior pitcher Ang D’Amoise (Ballston Lake/Shenendehowa) entered the game and allowed a run-scoring single by Jessica Smith before ending the inning on a popout. The Green Terror threatened in the bottom of the seventh with a pair of one-out singles, but D’Amoise locked down the save with a flyout and popout to end the game.

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Denison: Rachel Thomas (L), Bri Scrofano (7) and Erin Porter (Big Red: 2-1)
Cortland: Stephanie Adamshick (W, 2-0) and Blythe Beecher (Red Dragons: 2-1, ranked 14th in Div. III)

3B – Jamie Neuner (C)
2B – Claire Kopko (D), Megan Dore (C), Blythe Beecher (C)

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Cortland: Erin Brain (W, 1-0), Ang D’Amboise (6) (S, 1) and Amanda Barnett (Red Dragons: 3-1, ranked 14th in Div. III)
McDaniel: Mary Abrams (L) and Whitney Williams (Green Terror: 1-5)

3B – Nicole Fredericks (C)
2B – Whitney Williams (M), Megan Mitchell (M)