SUNY Cortland Softball

SUNY Cortland vs. Wisconsin-Stout
SUNY Cortland vs. Simpson College (Iowa)
Friday, March 17, 2006; St. Cloud High School; St. Cloud, Fla.

FINAL SCORES:
Cortland 4, Wisconsin-Stout 3 (8 inn.)
Cortland 2, Simpson (Iowa) 0

ST. CLOUD, FLA. – Cortland, ranked 14th in Division III, finished its schedule at the season-opening Rebel Spring Games with a 9-1 record after posting a 4-3 win in eight innings over Wisconsin-Stout and a 2-0 victory versus Simpson College of Iowa.

The Red Dragons rallied for three runs in the bottom of the eighth to win the first game. Cortland broke a scoreless tie in the bottom of the sixth on an error after a bases-loaded fielder’s choice grounder by Megan Dore (Staatsburg/F.D. Roosevelt).

Stout, however, tied the game in the top of the seventh when a passed ball on a potential game-ending strikeout allowed a runner to score from third.

The NCAA tiebreaker rule was put into effect in the eighth. With a runner on second, Stout’s Courtney Zafft hit a fly ball and two Cortland outfielders collided on the play. Zafft raced all the way to third and tried to score, and was awarded home on an interference call to give the Blue Devils a 3-1 lead.

In the bottom of the eighth, senior Jen Rockwell (Scotia) walked and sophomore Shara Evanter (Commack) doubled to right center to score Tina Milani (Hopewell Junction/John Jay East Fishkill), who had started the inning on second. Dore’s RBI single up the middle tied the game and junior Kate Yaun (Liberty) won the game with a single to second base.

Junior Ang D’Amboise (Ballston Lake/Shenendehowa) started for the Red Dragons and allowed just two hits and one unearned run in six and two-third innings. She struck out eight and walked four. Sophomore Erin Brain (Westtown/Minisink Valley) earned the win in relief, giving up one hit and two runs, one earned, in one and one-third innings. She recorded two strikeouts and did not issue any walks while improving her record to 3-0.

Cortland then won 2-0 versus Simpson (11-3) behind a one-hit shutout by senior Stephanie Adamshick (Milton/ Marlboro). Now 4-0 on the season, Adamshick struck out four and walked one. She allowed only two baserunners, both in the second inning on a Jill Mitchell leadoff single and a two-out walk to Alicia Uhde. Adamshick got out of the first-and-third jam with a strikeout, the first of 16 straight batters she retired to end the game.

The Red Dragons scored in the top of the fourth. Junior Dominique Talbot (Rockville Centre/Southside) doubled to left center with one out and junior Stefanie Cola (Binghamton/Chenango Valley) walked. The runners moved up a base on a passed ball and Yaun followed with a single up the middle to score Talbot.

Cortland picked up an insurance run in the top of the seventh. Yaun singled through the right side and advanced to second on a one-out wild pitch. Rockwell singled to right center with two outs to bring in the run.

Talbot and Yaun were each 2-for-3 and Rockwell finished 2-for-4.
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Wisconsin-Stout: Jessica Glasgow (L) and Beth Lloyd (Blue Devils: 3-6)
Cortland: Ang D'Amboise, Erin Brain (W 3-0) (7) and Amanda Barnett, Blythe Beecher (8)

3B – Courtney Zafft (WS)
2B – Shara Evanter (C)

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Cortland: Stephanie Adamshick (W, 4-0) and Blythe Beecher (Red Dragons: 9-1, ranked 14th in Div. III)
Simpson: Calie Hohneke (L) and Jill Mitchell (Storm: 11-3)

2B – Dominique Talbot (C)