SUNY Cortland Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving

vs. SUNY Potsdam; Holsten Pool; Cortland, N.Y.
Saturday, Nov. 16, 2002

Women's Score: Cortland 128, Potsdam 87
Men's Score: Cortland 111, Potsdam 16

CORTLAND, N.Y. -- Cortland swept a men's and women's swimming and diving dual meet at home versus Potsdam, defeating the Bears 128-87 in the women's competition and 111-16 in the men's meet. Cortland's men's and women's teams are both 1-1 on the season. Potsdam's women are 1-1 and its men are 0-2.

Women:

Eight different Red Dragons won at least one individual event in the victory. Senior Amy Sislo (Rome/Rome Free Academy) captured both one-meter (234.95 points) and three-meter (237.80 points) diving and freshman Abby Murphy (Montour Falls/Odessa-Montour) won both the 1,000-yard freestyle (11:35.79) and the 200-yard breaststroke (2:37.33). Murphy's 1,000-yard freestyle win was by an extremely narrow 0.16 second margin. Her 200-yard breaststroke victory came as an exhibition entry late in the meet.

Cortland opened the contest with a victory by sophomore Miranda Chrispell (Kingston), senior Kate Duncan (Rochester/Brighton), sophomore Nicole Damiano (Middletown) and senior Kate Becker (Deer Park) in the 400-yard medley relay (4:18.73). Chrispell followed with a win in the 200-yard freestyle (2:08.45), Becker won the 50-yard freestyle (26.45), Duncan won the 200-yard individual medley (2:19.49) and Damiano claimed the 200-yard backstroke (2:19.22). Duncan edged her nearest competitor in the 200 IM by 0.35 seconds.

Freshman Christine Thompson (Farmington/Victor) won the 100-yard freestyle (59.40) and was edged by Chrispell in the 200-yard freestyle by 0.44 seconds. Junior Patricia Heelan (Copiague) was victorious in the 500-yard freestyle (5:53.45) and freshman Val Batsford (Rochester/Aquinas) finished second in the 50-yard freestyle (26.66), losing to Becker by 0.21 seconds.

Men:

Senior Ryan Fecher (Lancaster), freshman Jim Pioli (Grand Island) and sophomore Jack Popper (Merrick/Bellmore JFK) each won two individual events to lead the Red Dragons. Fecher won the 200-yard freestyle (1:52.48) and, as an exhibition entry, won the 200-yard breaststroke (2:18.76). Pioli touched the wall first in the 50-yard freestyle (24.66) and 200-yard backstroke (2:11.18) and Popper won both three-meter (247.15 points) and one-meter (273.40 points) diving.

Pioli, Fecher, freshman Brendan Quest (Staten Island/Monsignor Farrell) and junior Mitch Delirod (Haverstraw/North Rockland) won the meet-opening 400-yard medley relay (3:58.19). Quest was also victorious in the 200-yard butterfly (2:29.35). Freshman Eric Heym (Rockaway Beach/Xavier) won the 100-yard freestyle (55.94) and senior Tom Malowski (Herkimer) won the 1,000-yard freestyle (14:26.04). To finish the meet, Malowski, Delirod, junior Jess Frank (Cato/Cato-Meridian) and junior Robert Parish (West Islip) won the 400-yard freestyle relay (4:16.29) as an exhibition entry.