SUNY Cortland Swimming and Diving

SUNY Cortland vs. SUNY Oneonta; Oneonta, N.Y.
Thursday, January 15, 2004

Men's Score: Cortland 108, Oneonta 76
Women's Score: Cortland 115, Oneonta 87

ONEONTA, N.Y. – Cortland's men's and women's swimming diving teams each set pool records in the 800-yard freestyle as the Red Dragons posted dual-meet victories at Oneonta. Cortland's men are now 4-1 after posting a 108-76 victory and the women are 3-2 after winning 115-87. Oneonta's men and women are now both 1-3.

Freshman Patrick Connolly (Shrub Oak/Lakeland), junior Chad Lundwall (St. James/Smithtown), freshman Chad Shelby (Bohemia/Connetquot) and freshman Sam Bruno (Huntington Station/Huntington) established the men's 800-yard freestyle relay pool record with a time of 8:17.30. The women's record of 8:43.86 was established by junior Miranda Chrispell (Kingston), freshman Marissa Bechtold (Lockport), junior Nicole Damiano (Middletown) and junior Trish Heelan (Copiague).

Connolly, sophomore James Pioli (Grand Island) and freshman Andrew Chevalier (Chazy/Chazy Central Rural) each won two individual races at the meet. Connolly won the 400-yard individual medley (4:33.80) and the 100-yard butterfly (57.49). Pioli captured the 50-yard freestyle (23.50) and the 100-yard backstroke (58.19) and Chevalier won the 1,000-yard freestyle (10:59.65) and the 100-yard breaststroke (1:04.57), the latter as an exhibition entry.

Lundwall won the 100-yard freestyle (53.09) and was second in the 200-yard freestyle (2:01.30). Freshman Jason Wiese (Buffalo/Kenmore West) finished first in the 500-yard freestyle and was second in the 1,000-yard freestyle (11:18.30). Sophomore Brendan Quest (Staten Island/Monsignor Farrell) won the 200-yard freestyle (1:59.13), and the combination of Pioli, Chevalier, Quest and Bruno opened the meet with a win in the 200-yard medley relay (1:44.21).

In the women's meet, freshman Krista Lennox (Williamsville/Williamsville East) won both the 200-yard freestyle (2:06.27) and the 500-yard freestyle (5:43.59) and freshman Allison Houseman (Wellsville) placed first in both the 50-yard freestyle (27.47) and 100-yard freestyle (59.20).

Chrispell won the 1,000-yard freestyle (11:50.72) and was second in the 500-yard freestyle (5:45.59) and freshman Nicole LaBarge (Morrisonville/Peru) won the 100-yard butterfly (1:04.02). Freshman Marissa Bechtold (Lockport) touched the wall first in the 100-yard backstroke (1:05.95) and junior Aubrey Talaska (San Antonio, TX/Sandra Day O'Connor) won the 100-yard breaststroke (1:12.51) as an exhibition entry.

Damiano, Talaska, LaBarge and Houseman got Cortland off on the right foot with a win in the opening 200-yard medley relay (1:59.71).

Cortland's women will compete at the RPI Invitational on Saturday at noon. Both the men and women will host Buffalo State on Monday at 1 p.m.