NYU, Cortland, Ithaca, RIT Advance to NYSWCAA Volleyball Semifinals

Top-seeded and defending champion NYU, second-seeded SUNY Cortland, third-seeded Ithaca College and fifth-seeded RIT have advanced to the semifinals of the 12-team New York State Women's Collegiate Athletic Association (NYSWCAA) Volleyball Tournament at Cortland's Corey Gymnasium.

NYU will face RIT and Cortland will play Ithaca at 10 a.m. on Sunday. The winners will play in the championship match at 2 p.m., with the losers meeting in the third-place match at the same time.

NYU, Cortland and Ithaca all received first-round byes before posting quarterfinal wins. NYU was a 3-0 winner over Nazareth, Cortland knocked off Brockport, 3-0, and Ithaca defeated Rochester, 3-1. RIT defeated Oneonta in the opening round, 3-0, then beat fourth-seeded Skidmore, 3-0, in the quarterfinals.

Nazareth and Skidmore will play in one consolation match on Sunday at noon, with Brockport and Rochester in the other match. The two winners will finish tied for fifth in the tournament. The losers will tie for seventh.

In addition to RIT's win, Nazareth beat Geneseo, 3-2, Brockport bested New Paltz, 3-0, and Rochester beat Fredonia, 3-0, in first-round play. Geneseo then defeated Oneonta, 3-0, and New Paltz beat Fredonia, 3-0, to finish tied for ninth in the tournament.

Saturday's match results are below, along with statistical highlights from the matches:

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**2004 New York State Women's Collegiate Athletic Association Volleyball Tournament**

**Corey Gymnasium; Cortland, N.Y.**

### SATURDAY'S RESULTS (seeds in parentheses):

**First Round:**

(#5) RIT def. (#12) Oneonta, 30-19, 32-30, 30-21
(#9) Nazareth def. (#8) Geneseo, 22-30, 30-28, 30-24, 15-13
(#10) Brockport def. (#7) New Paltz, 30-25, 30-28, 30-22
(#6) Rochester def. (#11) Fredonia, 30-24, 30-17, 30-22

**Consolation Matches**

(winning tied for ninth; losers tied for 11th):

Geneseo def. Oneonta, 30-22, 30-22, 30-26
New Paltz def. Fredonia, 30-25, 30-25, 30-25

**Quarterfinals:**

(#1) NYU def. Nazareth, 30-25, 30-13, 30-17
RIT def. (#4) Skidmore, 30-20, 30-24, 30-19
(#3) Ithaca def. Rochester, 30-27, 31-29, 28-30, 33-31
(#2) Cortland def. Brockport, 30-21, 30-24, 30-19

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**SUNDAY'S SCHEDULE:**

**Semifinals:**

10 a.m. -- NYU vs. RIT
10 a.m. -- Cortland vs. Ithaca

**Consolation Matches**

(winners tied for fifth; losers tied for seventh):

12 p.m. -- Nazareth vs. Skidmore
12 p.m. -- Brockport vs. Rochester

**Third-Place Match:**

2 p.m. -- Semifinal losers

**Championship Match:**

2 p.m. -- Semifinal winners
### Statistical Leaders:

#### (5) RIT def. (12) Oneonta, 30-19, 32-30, 30-21

**RIT:**
- Sarah Ballard (Sr., Lake View/Frontier) 38 assists, 3 kills, 11 digs, 2 aces
- Bonnie Harriman (Jr., Danbury, CT/Danbury) 12 kills, 16 digs
- Christina Anabel (Jr., Apalachin/Vestal) 12 kills, 8 digs, 2 aces, 2 blocks
- Laura Grell (Jr., Lancaster/Lancaster) 15 digs

**Oneonta:**
- Cassandra Auth (Sr., East Patchogue/Bellport) 16 kills, 11 assists, 6 digs
- Jen Macri (Sr., Delmar/Bethlehem Central) 6 kills, 16 digs
- Jill Meehan (Jr., Albany/Guilderland) 6 kills, 2 blocks

#### (9) Nazareth def. (8) Geneseo, 22-30, 30-28, 32-30, 24-30, 15-13

**Nazareth:**
- Statistical leaders not available

**Geneseo:**
- Kate Barth (Fr., Babylon/St. Anthony's) 31 kills, 8 digs, 4 blocks, 3 aces
- Jessi Laemlein (Fr., Webster/Webster Schroeder) 14 kills
- Emily Tatar (Jr., Rochester/Gates-Chili) 47 assists, 4 kills, 8 digs, 9 blocks
- Abi Goettsch (Fr., LaFayette/LaFayette) 6 kills

#### (10) Brockport def. (7) New Paltz, 30-25, 30-28, 30-22

**Brockport:**
- Katie Feldmann (So., Tonawanda/Sweet Home) 14 kills, 13 digs
- Kaylen Fessette (Fr., Plattsburgh/Beekmantown) 42 assists, 11 digs, 3 aces
- Shae Gilmore (Fr., Merrill/Northern Adirondack) 12 kills, 13 digs
- Lori Kreamer (Sr., East Patchogue/Bellport) 21 digs

**New Paltz:**
- Kim Clouston (So., Baldwinsville/C.W. Baker) 10 kills
- Andrea Kaiser (Jr., Blue Point/Bayport-Blue Point) 8 kills
- Katie Becolsky (Fr., Altamont/Schalmont) 31 assists

#### (6) Rochester def. (11) Fredonia, 30-24, 30-17, 30-22

**Rochester:**
- Liz Loveless (Sr., Baldwinsville/C.W. Baker) 43 assists
- Susan Johnson (So., Salamanca/Salamanca) 11 kills, 21 digs
- Kristin Vogt (Oneonta/Delaware Academy) 11 kills, 5 blocks
- Haley Massa (Jr., Carlisle, PA/Carlisle) 11 kills

**Fredonia:**
- Heather Martin (Sr., Allegany/Allegany-Limestone) 9 kills, 6 aces, 19 digs
- JaHanna Dixon (Fr., Hamburg/Frontier) 9 kills
- Kim Schmitz (Jr., Derby/Lake Shore) 10 digs

#### Geneseo def. Oneonta, 30-22, 30-22, 30-26

**Geneseo:**
- Kate Barth (Fr., Babylon/St. Anthony's) 27 kills, 3 aces, 4 digs
- Jessi Laemlein (Fr., Webster/Webster Schroeder) 12 kills
- Abi Goettsch (Fr., LaFayette/LaFayette) 5 kills, 4 digs, 3 blocks
- Courtney Nash (Fr., Orchard Park/Mt. Mercy) 4 kills

**Oneonta:**
- Jill Meehan (Jr., Albany/Guilderland) 12 kills, 3 blocks
- Cassandra Auth (Sr., East Patchogue/Bellport) 16 assists, 4 kills, 6 digs
- Maegen Eddinger (So., Apalachin/Owego Free Academy) 13 digs

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New Paltz def. Fredonia, 30-25, 30-25, 30-25

New Paltz:
Andrea Kaiser (Jr., Blue Point/Bayport-Blue Point) 14 kills
Kelly Long (Jr., Endwell/Maine-Endwell) 12 digs
Christina Mazurowski (Tonawanda/Kenmore East) 7 blocks

Fredonia:
JaHanna Dixon (Fr., Hamburg/Frontier) 11 kills
Heather Martin (Sr., Allegany/Allegany-Limestone) 8 kills, 4 aces, 13 digs, 2 blocks
Karen Francis (So., Batavia/Batavia) 7 kills
Kim Schmitz (Jr., Derby/Lake Shore) 12 digs

(1) NYU def. Nazareth, 30-25, 30-13, 30-17

NYU:
Elena Drinka (So., San Antonio, TX/Taft) 9 kills, 10 digs, 4 blocks
Katya Khmelinskaya (Jr., Albany/West (IA)) 31 assists, 4 aces, 7 digs, 2 blocks
Serena Bournbur (Sr., Huntington Beach, CA/Huntington Beach) 8 kills
Jennifer Gardikas (Sr., Huntington Beach, CA/Huntington Beach) 7 kills, 12 digs, 3 aces

Nazareth:
Statistical leaders not available

RIT def. (#4) Skidmore, 30-20, 30-24, 30-19

RIT:
Sarah Ballard (Sr., Lake View/Frontier) 39 assists, 9 digs, 2 blocks
Bonnie Harrieman (Jr., Danbury, CT/Danbury) 14 kills, 14 digs, 2 blocks
Christina Anabel (Jr., Apalachin/Vestal) 18 kills, 4 aces, 6 digs
Michelle Skowzgird (So., Grayslake, IL/John Hersey) 5 kills, 7 blocks

Skidmore:
Darryl Manzer (So., Camden/Camden) 16 kills, 2 blocks
Becky Herman (Jr., Staten Island/Brooklyn Friends) 13 digs

(3) Ithaca def. Rochester, 30-27, 31-29, 26-30, 33-31

Ithaca:
Julie Roth (Sr., Santa Cruz, CA/Harbor) 22 kills, 26 digs
Jen Cramer (Sr., Chittenango/Beaver Creek (OH)) 14 kills, 15 digs, 5 blocks
Andrea Blitz (Jr., Webster/Webster) 10 kills
Jenna Yehl (Horseheads/Horseheads) 33 assists

Rochester:
Liz Loveless (Sr., Baldwinsville/C.W. Baker) 63 assists, 15 digs
Susan Johnson (So., Salamanca/Salamanca) 23 kills, 30 digs
Kristin Vogt (Oneonta/Delaware Academy) 14 kills, 6 blocks
Haley Massa (Jr., Carlisle, PA/Carlisle) 18 kills

(2) Cortland def. Brockport, 30-21, 30-24, 30-19

Cortland:
Katie Brody (So., Apalachin/Vestal) 16 kills, 12 digs, 5 blocks
Natalie Pizzi (Sr., Pittsburgh, PA/Baldwin) 12 kills, 4 aces, 4 digs
Jamie McMullen (Sr., Castle/Letchworth) 30 assists, 8 digs, 5 kills

Brockport:
Kayen Fessette (Fr., Plattsburgh/Beekmantown) 27 assists
Lori Kreamer (Sr., East Patchogue/Bellport) 18 digs
Katie Feldmann (So., Tonawanda/Sweet Home) 10 kills

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