SUNY Cortland Women's Ice Hockey

vs. Buffalo St.; Saturday, February 22, 2003
Alumni Ice Arena; Cortland, N.Y.

FINAL SCORE: Cortland 2, Buffalo St. 1

CORTLAND, N.Y. -- Sophomore Lindsay Davies (Pittsford/Rochester Americans) scored twice as the Cortland women's ice hockey team defeated Buffalo St., 2-1, in a pivotal ECAC West game Saturday afternoon at Alumni Arena. With the win, the Red Dragons stayed alive in the race for the fourth and final playoff spot in the conference, trailing Buffalo St. by one point in the standings. The two teams meet again on Sunday at 2 p.m. With the winner facing Elmira in the first round of the league playoffs. Buffalo St. (5-14-2 overall, 3-6-2 ECAC West) can also advance with a tie.

Buffalo St. controlled play early and created several excellent scoring chances in the first period only to be denied by Cortland junior goalie Rachel Hutchinson (Canton/Potsdam Silver Blades), who stopped 10 shots in the opening 20 minutes. Buffalo St. junior goalie Mary Keddie (Williamsville/Buffalo Bisons) was equal to the task, turning aside seven Cortland shots to keep the game scoreless.

Davies broke the 0-0 tie at 10:10 of the second period when she deflected senior Stacy Tilton's (Ithaca/Ithaca Shooting Stars) shot past Keddie. Sophomore Heather Nelson (Manalapan, NJ/Lawrence Flames) also assisted on the score. Cortland (5-15-1, 3-7-1), which outshot the Bengals 11-4 in the second period, held the 1-0 lead going into the final 20 minutes.

Davies struck again at 3:52 of the third as she gathered a loose puck near the crease and found the back of the net to give the Red Dragons a 2-0 lead. Tilton and Nelson each added her second assist of the game on the goal. Buffalo St. cut the lead to 2-1 at 8:53 on freshman Maddy Loftus’s (Parsippany, NJ/Pittsburgh Firebirds) goal off a rebound. Junior Emma Wadsworth’s (Arlington, VA/Reston Raiders) initial shot was saved by Hutchinson, but Loftus was unchecked at the right side of the net and lifted the puck into the open side of the goal.

The Bengals pressured the Red Dragons late, pulling Keddie with 1:13 remaining for an extra attacker, but Cortland held off the charge and secured the win. Hutchinson finished with 20 saves for Cortland, which outshot the Bengals 27-21, while Keddie stopped 25 shots for Buffalo St.

(Summary and goal-by-goal scoring on next page)
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Score by periods:
Buffalo St.  0-0-1  1
Cortland  0-1-1  2

Scoring Summary (Goals-Assists):
**Buffalo St.**: Maddy Loftus 1-0, Emma Wadsworth 0-1, Amanda Uschold 0-1  
**Cortland**: Lindsay Davies 2-0, Stacy Tilton 0-2, Heather Nelson 0-2

**Saves**: Mary Keddie (Buffalo St.) 25 saves (2 GA in 58:47), Empty Net 1:13; Rachel Hutchinson (Cortland) 20 saves (1 GA in 60:00)  
**Shots on Goal**: Buffalo St. 21 (10-4-7), Cortland 27 (7-11-9)  
**Penalties**: Buffalo St. 3-6:00, Cortland 3-6:00  
**Power Play**: Buffalo St. 0-3, Cortland 0-3  
**Records after game**: Cortland (Red Dragons) 5-15-1, 3-7-1 ECAC West; Buffalo St. (Bengals) 5-14-2, 3-6-2 ECAC West

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