SUNY Cortland Women's Ice Hockey

vs. Neumann College (PA); Sunday, January 25, 2004
Alumni Ice Arena; Cortland, N.Y.

FINAL SCORE: Cortland 3, Neumann 2

CORTLAND, N.Y. -- Freshman Amanda McCann (Kennewick, WA/Portland Jr. Hawks) scored an unassisted goal midway through the third period to lead the Cortland women's ice hockey team to a 3-2 win over Neumann College (PA) in a non-conference game Sunday afternoon at Alumni Arena. The red Dragons earned a split of the weekend series with their ECAC West foe and raised their record to 3-12-1 on the season, while the Knights fell to 6-5-1.

Neumann opened the scoring at 9:46 of the first period when junior Melissa Pacitti (Glen Mills, PA/Delco Phantoms) knocked a rebound past Cortland junior goalie Kelly Fillmore (Columbia Heights, MN/Bethel College) on the power play. The Red Dragons answered with a power-play goal of their own at 14:16 of the first. Sophomore Dani Blanchard (Clarksville/Troy-Albany Ice Cats) sent the puck into an open net after Neumann junior goalie Melissa Sanfilippo (Trenton, MI/Michigan Capitals) saved freshman Judy Ellis' (Saratoga Springs/Troy-Albany Ice Cats) original shot from the left side.

Cortland regained the lead with the only goal of the second period. Junior MaryAnn Knott (Levittown/Dix Hills Rebels) carried the puck into Neumann's offensive zone down the right wing and feathered a pass to junior Melissa Manning (Syracuse/Syracuse Stars), who beat Sanfilippo at 12:53.

The Knights power-play unit struck again at 1:33 of the third period to tie the game at 2-2. Junior Jill Gray (Wilmington, DE/Delco Phantoms) took a pass from sophomore Lindsay Parsons (Stratford, ON/Bluewater Hawks) and hit the upper right corner for her fifth goal of the season, setting up McCann's game winner.

McCann forced a Neumann turnover down low and sent a quick shot from a sharp angle past Sanfilippo. The Knights had a goal called off a few minutes later when the puck was put into Cortland's goal with a hand pass. Neumann had two more chances on the power play, pulling its goalie of the second opportunity with less than three minutes remaining, but Fillmore denied any chance for a game-tying score.

Fillmore made 31 saves for Cortland, while Sanfilippo stopped 35 shots for the Knights.

(Summary and goal-by-goal scoring on next page)
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Score by periods:
Neumann 1-0-1  2
Cortland 1-1-1  3

Scoring Summary (Goals-Assists):
Neumann: Jill Gray 1-0, Melissa Pacitti 1-0, Brie Ward 0-2, Lindsay Parsons 0-1
Cortland: Dani Blanchard 1-0, Melissa Manning 1-0, Amanda McCann 1-0, Kate Ciraulo 0-1, Judy Ellis 0-1,
MaryAnn Knott 0-1

Saves: Melissa Sanfilippo (Neumann) 35 saves (3 GA in 58:30), Empty Net 1:30; Kelly Fillmore (Cortland) 31 saves
(2 GA in 59:54), Empty Net :06

Shots on Goal: Neumann 33 (13-7-13), Cortland 38 (13-16-9)

Penalties: Neumann 5-18:00, Cortland 8-24:00

Power Play: Neumann 2-6, Cortland 1-3

Records after game: Cortland (Red Dragons) 3-12-1; Neumann (Knights) 6-5-1

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