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Four Cortland Women's Lacrosse Players Earn All-America Honors; Six Red Dragons on All-Region Team; Four All-ECAC and Three All-State

Four SUNY Cortland women's lacrosse players are among the 48 players selected to the 2005 Intercollegiate Women's Lacrosse Coaches Association (IWLCA)/U.S. Lacrosse Division III Women's Lacrosse All-America team. Sophomore attacker Ali Bourgal (Sachem) is a first team honoree. Senior midfielder Kerri Finn (West Islip) is a second team selection, while sophomore defender Cici Carter (Guilderland) and junior midfielder Erin Lynn (Baldwinsville) are third team choices.

Those four players were named to the IWLCA/U.S. Lacrosse All-New York Region first team. Junior midfielder Jessie Lynch (West Islip) and junior defender Dyan Voorhees (Baldwinsville/C.W. Baker) were second team all-region honorees. In addition, Bourgal, Finn, Carter and sophomore attacker Jennifer Willis (Huntington/Walt Whitman) were named to the ECAC Division III Upstate New York all-star team, and Bourgal, Carter and Finn were first team All-New York State Women's Collegiate Athletic Association (NYSWCAA) selections.

Bourgal led the Red Dragons this spring with 57 goals and 28 assists for 85 points, the third-highest single-season point total in school history, despite missing two games due to injury. She was also second on the team with 55 draw controls and recorded 43 ground balls and 19 caused turnovers. She scored six goals in Cortland’s early-season 10-9 win at eventual national champion The College of New Jersey and five goals in a game on three other occasions.

Finn started in all 20 games this season and ranked third on the team in both goals (36) and total points (41). She led the Red Dragons with 58 ground balls in addition to totaling 20 draw controls and 10 caused turnovers. She registered six goals and an assist in a win versus Utica College in April.

Carter was also a starter in all 20 games and helped lead a defense that allowed less than six goals per game and double-figures goals in a game only twice. Carter recorded a team-high 29 caused turnovers, grabbed 40 ground balls and won 13 draw controls. She also notched three goals and two assists.

Lynn started in all 20 games, recording 16 goals and four assist for 20 points. She also totaled 37 ground balls, 23 draw controls and 19 caused turnovers.

Lynch played in all 20 games, 18 as a starter, and was fifth on the team with 26 goals and 34 total points. She won 22 draw controls, grabbed 35 ground balls and caused nine turnovers.

Voorhees started all 20 games and recorded 47 ground balls, 20 caused turnovers and four draw controls.

Willis finished second on the team with 56 goals and 27 assists for 83 points in 19 games. She led the Red Dragons with 84 draw controls, was second on the squad with 58 ground balls and ranked third with 22 caused turnovers. She amassed six goals and three assists in an early-season win versus Ithaca, and scored three or more goals 12 times.

Cortland finished the season 18-2, setting a new school victory record. The Red Dragons tied for fifth nationally after losing at Colorado College in double overtime in the NCAA Division III tournament quarterfinals.

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