SUNY Cortland Wrestling

at RIT Wrestling Invitational
Saturday, December 6, 2003; Rochester, N.Y.

ROCHESTER, N.Y. – Cortland had six wrestlers place in the top six of their weight classes, including two second-place finishes, to finish third out of 17 teams at the RIT Wrestling Invitational. Ithaca won the tournament with 140 points. John Carroll of Ohio was second with 134, followed by Cortland at 106 and Oswego at 99.

Sophomore Jason Peck (Montgomery/Valley Central) finished second at 125 pounds with a 3-1 record. Ranked fifth nationally in Division III, Peck won his first three matches before losing 6-4 to fourth-ranked Jared Selover of Baldwin-Wallace in the finals. Peck has a 15-3 record this season.

Junior Brent Rider (Tioga Center/Tioga) entered the tournament as the top seed at 157 pounds. Ranked third nationally, he won three consecutive matches to reach the finals before being pinned in overtime by RIT’s Chad Sutliff.

Junior Matt Slate (Gouverneur) finished third at 165 pounds and sophomore Jason Chase (Rush/Rush-Henrietta) finished third at 141 pounds.

Slate, the sixth seed, posted a 6-1 record at the tournament and is 16-6 this winter. He won his first two matches, one by pin, before losing in the third round to the third-seeded Joe Heiland of Baldwin-Wallace. In the consolation bracket, Slate pinned two straight opponents, won 2-0 versus fourth-seeded Tim Ruberg of Johnson and Wales, then avenged his loss to Heiland with a 3-2 victory in the third-place match.

Chase opened with three straight wins, two by pin, to reach the semifinals. The second seed then lost to third-seeded Gabe Fierro-Fine of Wesleyan, 5-4, to drop into the consolation bracket. Chase won his final two matches, including a 3-2 win over Scott Aronowitz of Ithaca in the third-place bout, to finish 5-1. He is 12-4 on the season.

Also finishing third for Cortland was junior Ben Locke (Bainbridge/Bainbridge-Guilford) at 184 pounds. Locke, ranked eighth in Division III, finished with a 6-1 record and is 15-7 this season. Locke was the third seed and won two matches before losing 4-3 to sixth-seeded Jon Neyerlin of Wilkes. Locke then won his next four matches, including a 5-2 win over Neverlin in the third-place match.

Sophomore Jaret Misener (Schoharie) was Cortland’s other placewinner with a sixth-place showing at 149 pounds. He entered the tournament unseeded and won his first two matches before losing 6-4 to the second seed. He won two more matches in the consolation bracket before losing his final two matches, including a setback in the fifth-place match.

FINAL TEAM SCORES:

1. Ithaca (ITH) ............... 140.0
2. John Carroll (JC) ............ 134.0
3. Cortland (CORT) ............ 106.0
4. Oswego (OSW) .............. 99.0
5. Baldwin-Wallace (BW) ........ 83.5
6. Plymouth St. (PLY) ........... 67.0
7. Olivet (OLIV) ............... 66.5
8. Case Western Reserve (CW) ..... 64.5
9. Rochester Inst. of Tech. (RIT) .... 51.0
10. Rhode Island College (RIC) .... 47.0
11. U.S. Coast Guard Acad. (CG) .... 44.0
12. Wilkes (WILK) ............. 39.5
13. Wesleyan (WES) ............ 37.5
14. Waynesburg (WAYN) ....... 30.0
15. Johnson & Wales (JW) ....... 29.5
16. * Univ. of New Hampshire (UNH) .. 17.5
17. Massachusetts Inst. of Tech. (MIT) .. 0.0
* not an official varsity program

(Championship match and Cortland results on the following pages)
2003 RIT WRESTLING INVITATIONAL

CHAMPIONSHIP MATCHES:
125 - Jared Selover (BW) def. Jason Peck (CORT), 6-4
133 - Tenk Agyeman (OSW) def. Tim Lennox (JC), 15-9
141 - Gabe Feirro-Fine (WES) def. Leon Henry (OSW), 7-5
149 - Zak Kallai (CW) major de c. Ryan Holder (UNH), 10-1
157 - Chad Sutliff (RIT) pinned Brent Rider (CORT), 6:36 (ot)
165 - Marc Israel (ITH) def. Frank Petrucci (OSW), 7-5
174 - Mark Hawald (JC) def. Mate Kittredge (PLY), 3-1
184 - Arctic Mauser (JC) def. Josh Boyle (CG), 10-3
197 - Devin Carman (BW) def. Nick Calandrino (ITH), 14-9
HWT - Brian Kmetz (BW) def. Derek Ankney (JC), 8-6
Most Outstanding Wrestler: Zak Kallai (Case Western), 149 pounds

CORTLAND RESULTS:

125 pounds
(2) Jason Peck (2nd place; 3-1 record)
def. Jerry Samson (OLIV), 3-0
def. (#7) Mike Olem (WAYNE), 6-1
Semifinals: def. (#3) Kyle Kemmerer (ITH), 6-1
Finals: lost to (#1) Jared Selover (BW), 6-4

133 pounds
Eddie Ortiz (1-2)
def. Clayton Walsh (OSW), 5-4
lost to (#2) Tim Lennox (JC), 3-1
lost to (#4) Anthony Montes (JW), 6-3

141 pounds
(2) Jason Chase (3rd place, 5-1)
def. Will O'Neil (JC), 4-0
pinned Max Zimmerman (OSW), 5:22
pinned (#7) Chris Vicente (WAYNE), 3:43
Semifinals: lost to (#3) Gabe Fierro-Fine (WES), 5-4
def. (#4) Shaun Cleary (PLY), 5-3
Third Place: def. Scott Aronowitz (ITH), 3-2
Jack Holmgren (2-2)
lost to (#8) Sayre Wuhr (BW), 3-1
def. Mike Scilara (WILK), 10-4
won by major dec. vs. Rich Chute (RIC), 14-3
lost to Max Zimmerman (OSW), 9-8

149 pounds
Jaret Misener (6th place, 4-3)
def. Mike Bahnenburg (OSW), 7-2
won by major dec. vs. Ed Kenney (WES), 18-6
lost to (#2) Dan Moskowitz (PLY), 6-4
def. Dan Judicki (CG), 3-2
won by default vs. Chris Wells (JW), 5:38
lost to (#5) Dane LaPlante (OSW), Pin 3:32
Fifth Place: lost to (#4) Jim Stanek (JC), Pin 5:49

Troy Tooley (2-2)
def. Thamir Rimbert (BW), 11-5
pinned Christian Arbelas (JW), 2:28
lost to (#1) Zak Kallai (CW), 14-6
lost to (#6) Ken Andrews (OLIV), 10-4

157 pounds
(1) Brent Rider (2nd place, 3-1)
def. Brandon Black (PLY), 6-2
won by major dec. vs. Devin Pomranky (CG), 15-2
Semifinals: def. (#4) Russ Tisher (CW), 13-10
Finals: lost to (#3) Chad Sutliff (RIT), Pin 6:36 (ot)

165 pounds
(6) Matt Slate (3rd place, 6-1)
def. Matt Queen (WAYNE), 3-1
pinned Joe DeMauro (RIT), 3:37
lost to (#3) Joe Heiland (BW), 6-1
pinned Kyle Lenio (WILK), 3:20
pinned (#7) Mike Andrews (OLIV), 2:24
def. (#4) Tim Ruberg (JW), 2-0
Third Place: def. (#3) Joe Heiland (BW), 3-2
Trevor Comeau (1-2)
lost to Kyle Lenio (WILK), 2-1
def. Greg Ponsi (CG), 5-2
lost to Tyler Daffinee (ITH), 8-3

174 pounds
no Cortland entries

184 pounds
(3) Ben Locke (3rd place, 6-1)
won by major dec. vs. John Francis (JC), 10-0
pinned Trevor Gray (BW), 3:31
lost to (#6) Jon Neyerlin (WILK), 4-3
pinned Jon Jagatnarian (OSW), 2:32
def. (#7) Robert Stubbs (ITH), 5-1
won by default vs. (#5) Aaron Yoches (CW), 4:15
Third Place: def. (#6) Jon Neverlin (WILK), 5-2

197 pounds
(4) Jake Armstrong (2-2)
def. Nabeel Nazi (OSW), 8-6
lost to (#5) Dan Brown (JC), 6-3
pinned Matt Sommer (CW), 2:54
lost to (#1) Josh Schmidt (CW), Pin 2:54

Heavyweight
Jason Lichtenstein (2-2)
def. Jeremy Calkins (OSW), 4-2 (4th tb)
lost to (#6) Derek Ankney (JC), 11-2
def. Mike Mikalakis (OLIV), 10-3
lost to Brian Wolfe (WAYNE), Pin 2:08

Mike Karbowiak (1-2)
def. Mike Mikalakis (OLIV), 5-4
lost to (#4) Gavin Garcia (CG), 5-3
lost to Frank Kraft (CW), 5-3