ROCHESTER, N.Y. – Cortland, ranked 13th nationally in Division III, won all three of its matches at the annual New York/Pennsylvania Duals, hosted by RIT. The Red Dragons opened with a 47-6 win over Scranton and a 47-0 shutout of King’s College. Cortland competed the day with a 22-21 triumph over 12th-ranked Lycoming College and is 4-1 in dual action this season.

Lycoming, RIT and Oswego each finished with 2-1 records at the tournament, while Scranton and King’s were each 0-3.

Junior Stef Sair (Huntington), junior Troy Tooley (Kendall) and sophomore Ryan Gadsby (Auburn) each finished the tournament with 3-0 records. Freshman Paul LeBlanc (Morrisville/Morrisville-Eaton), senior Jason Chase (Rush/Rush-Henrietta) and sophomore Matt Root (Medina) were each 2-0, while junior Eddie Ortiz (New Rochelle), junior John Franchi (Elmira Heights/Thomas A. Edison), junior Mario Schiano (Rochester/Gates-Chili) and junior Matt Eldredge (Canandaigua/Marcus Whitman) were each 2-1.

Sair, ranked first nationally at 174 pounds, posted two wins by pin and one by major decision. LeBlanc, ranked seventh at 141 pounds, improved his record to 20-1 with his two wins. Tooley, wrestling at 165 pounds, upped his record to 22-5 with his three victories and Chase, at 149 pounds, is now 18-8 on the season and increased his career win total to 96.

Cortland picked up pins by junior Alex Hojnowski (Glen Head/North Shore) at 141 pounds, Franchi at 157 pounds, Sair at 174 pounds and Eldredge at 197 pounds, major decisions by Gadsby at 125 pounds and Ortiz at 133 pounds and forfeit wins by Schiano at 184 pounds and Root at heavyweight in its win over Scranton. All five of Hojnowski’s wins this season have come by pin.

Pins by Root, at 197 pounds, Chase and Sair and a Franchi technical fall highlighted the Red Dragons’ sweep over King’s. Gadsby and Ortiz opened the match with forfeit wins.

In the final match, Gadsby’s 8-3 win, LeBlanc’s 6-2 decision and a Chase pin in 22 seconds staked Cortland to a 12-3 lead. Lycoming won the next match by disqualification, but Cortland picked up a disqualification win of its own by Tooley in the 165-pound match. Sair’s 15-7 win increased the Red Dragon lead to 22-9. Lycoming won the next two matches with close decisions to move within 22-15. Cortland forfeited the final match at heavyweight to created the one-point margin.

Cortland will compete at 17th-ranked Springfield College on Tuesday, Jan. 10.

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NY/PA Wrestling Duals
Jan. 7, 2006; RIT; Rochester, N.Y.

Tournament Scores:
Cortland 47, Scranton 6
Lycoming 25, RIT 15
Oswego 30, King’s 12
Cortland 47, King’s 0
Lycoming 20, Oswego 18
RIT 35, Scranton 14
Cortland 22, Lycoming 21
RIT 27, King’s 15
Oswego 38, Scranton 9

Records (Tournament, Overall):
Cortland (3-0, 4-1) (ranked 13th in Div. III)
Lycoming (2-1, 7-3-1) (ranked 12th in Div. III)
Oswego (2-1, 3-2) (ranked 18th in Div. III)
RIT (2-1, 2-3)
King’s (0-3, 0-5)
Scranton (0-3, 0-5)

Cortland Match Results:

Cortland 47, Scranton 6
125 – Ryan Gadsby (C) major dec. Rich Russell, 15-6
133 – Eddie Ortiz (C) major dec. Ryan McDaniel, 13-1
141 – Alex Hojnowski (C) pinned Matthew Lynch, 1:56
149 – Donell Young (S) pinned Eric Sciutto, 5:15
157 – John Franchi (C) pinned Rob Schwarting, 3:17
165 – Troy Tooley (C) def. Stephen Tatum, 9-3
174 – Stef Sair (C) pinned Matt Pastore, 2:19
197 – Matt Root (C) won by forfeit
HWT – Matt Eldredge (C) pinned Trevor Needham, 2:14

Cortland 47, King’s 0
125 – Ryan Gadsby (C) won by forfeit
133 – Eddie Ortiz (C) won by forfeit
141 – Paul LeBlanc (C) def. David Prutzman, 8-2
149 – Jason Chase (C) pinned Mike Hillman, 0:46
157 – John Franchi (C) tech. fall Bobby Williard, 4:09 (17-2)
165 – Troy Tooley (C) def. Bob Bareese, 6-1
174 – Stef Sair (C) pinned Zach Dietrick, 2:02
184 – Mario Schiano (C) def. Zach Wilkinson, 11-4
197 – Matt Root (C) pinned Ryan Shoemaker, 3:44
HWT – Matt Eldredge (C) def. Justin Bender, 3-0

Cortland 22, Lycoming 21
125 – Ryan Gadsby (C) def. James Saxton, 8-3
133 – Sean Cullen (L) def. Eddie Ortiz (C), 5-0
141 – Paul LeBlanc (C) def. Kyle Hopkins, 6-2
149 – Jason Chase (C) pinned Drew Barder, 0:22
157 – Eric Miller (L) won by disqualification vs. John Franchi
165 – Troy Tooley (C) won by disqualification vs. Grant Brindle
174 – Stef Sair (C) major dec. Heath Oberlin, 15-7
184 – Derek Crane (C) def. Mario Schiano, 3-2
197 – Matthew Miller (L) def. Matt Eldredge, 5-2
HWT – Tom Snyder (L) won by forfeit