SUNY Cortland Women's Outdoor Track and Field

at Bucknell University Bison Outdoor Classic
Friday-Saturday, April 15-16, 2005; Christy Mathewson Memorial Stadium; Lewisburg, Pa.

LEWISBURG, PA. – Sophomore Christina Acquaviva (Utica/Proctor) automatically qualified for the NCAA Division III Outdoor Track and Field Championships in the heptathlon at the Bucknell University Bison Outdoor Classic Friday and Saturday. Acquaviva turned in a third-place score of 4,596 points. The NCAA automatic standard is 4,560 points.

Two other Red Dragons reached ECAC Division III Championship qualifying levels with their performances at a meet featuring numerous Division I and II athletes. Senior Jackie Ferrentino (Buffalo/West Seneca East) placed 13th out of 32 entries in the 400-meter hurdles (1:06.39) and senior Betsy Schultz (Akron) was 14th of 27 runners in the 3,000-meter steeplechase (11:42.90).

Other Cortland highlights included a fourth-place effort by the 4x800-meter relay team of sophomore Rachel Sweet (Rochester/Greece Athena), junior Jen Longwell (Elmira/Southside), Schultz and freshman Ashley Wirges (Hopewell Junction/Arlington) (10:07.07), a sixth-place showing by Schultz in the 3,000-meter run (10:47.88) and a 10th-place effort by freshman Colleen Martin (Centererach/Ward Melville) in the heptathlon (3,422 points).

In addition, sophomore Jamie Ross (Ballston Lake/Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake) finished 11th in the 400 meters (1:01.22), junior Christine Post (Walden/Valley Central) tied for 11th in the high jump (4’ 11”) and sophomore Tiffany Lancaster (Ballston Lake/Shenedehowa) tied for 11th in the pole vault (9’ 10”).

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