

WOMEN'S SOCCER SUPER

Special to the Press

The Cortland State women's soccer team, unbeaten and unscored upon this season, improved its season mark to 6-0-1 by defeating two Top 20 teams at home over the weekend. The 11th ranked Red Dragon toppled 17th ranked Carleton College of Minnesota 3-0 on Holloway Field Saturday, then downed 13th ranked University of Scranton 1-0 on Sunday.

The Dragons used second half goals by senior forward Michelle Martin (SARANAC LAKE) and junior midfielder Betsy Procino to put Saturday's Carleton game out of reach. A first half score by sophomore forward Leslie Beintend on a cross from Bernadette Conlon was the only goal in the first 45 minutes on the wet pitch.

"We had a lot of good scoring opportunities but the rainy weather prevented us from capitalizing," said Cortland head coach Chris Malone. "It gave me a good feeling to see the improved offensive play of the team."

In the second half, Cortland began taking advantage of those chances when junior forward Karen Hertel set up Martin with a pass just outside the penalty area. Martin netted the second Dragon tally. Then freshman Janine Caruso used some nifty moves around three Carleton defenders before passing to Procino in front of the net for the final score.

Senior Diane Wright made two saves in 73 minutes of play, while freshman Missy Samuels (EAST HARTFORD, CT) closed out the contest in goal without having to make a stop.

On Sunday, the Red Dragons employed a goal by the first-year midfielder Caruso in the final minute of the first half to edge the Scranton Royals 1-0.

Caruso used her keen ball-handling skills to maneuver around two Scranton defenders before unloading a shot to the upper left-hand corner of the net. The Dragon defense then took over stopping a number of Scranton scoring chances for the equalizer.

"We barely survived," said Malone. "We were just really fatigued in the second half after playing in the rain on Saturday."

Wright earned the Red Dragon shutout against Scranton by making six saves, included the Royals' most dangerous shot of the game. The ball came off from a free kick and Wright deflected it off the crossbar.

MEN'S SOCCER

The unbeaten Cortland State men's soccer squad improved its season mark to a perfect 5-0 by edging host Plattsburgh State 1-0 in State University of New York Athletic Conference action Saturday afternoon.

"We had three of four good scoring opportunities but could only capitalize on one," said Cortland head coach Fred Taube, his team off to its best start in eight years. "We never really got into the game mentally. We played a step below what we are capable of playing."

The lone Cortland goal came off a Greg Ginsberg cornerkick early in the second half. Junior co-captain Kevin Oakes headed the ball toward the Cardinal net, where the shot deflected off a Plattsburgh defender's leg and into the net. Red Dragon Mike Borra, closest to the play, was credited with the score.

"It was a tough game against a vastly improved Plattsburgh team," added Taube. "They played very good defense and were faster than their teams of the past few years."

Jason Hickey went the distance in the Cortland goal to earn the shutout. Hickey finished with three saves.

WOMEN'S TENNIS (1-2)

Although the Red Dragon women's team lost 8-1 to William Smith College and 7-2 to SUNY-Binghamton last week, Cortland's Meike Schneider (REUTINGEN, WEST GERMANY) beat last year's state champion to remain undefeated at first singles. Cortland plays at Oneonta on Tuesday and at Potsdam on Friday.

FIELD HOCKEY (2-0-1)

Undefeated Cortland battled Division I Cornell to a 3-3 overtime draw Wednesday night on Schellkopf Field. The Dragons fell behind 2-0 in the opening minutes before rallying for the next three goals. Coach Pat Rudy's Red Dragons play at Oneonta on Tuesday before heading to the Salisbury (MD) St. Tournament on Saturday and Sunday.

MEN'S AND WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

The Cortland men's and women's cross country teams trekked to the Wolverine State on Saturday, when both teams competed in the Jeff Drenth Invitational on the Central Michigan University campus in Mt. Pleasant.

The host Central Michigan women's team edged Cortland 38 to 50 for first place in the five-team women's competition. Western Michigan placed third with 77, McMaster University followed with 94 and Saginaw Valley State had 133 points.

Red Dragon senior Judy Sparks was 16 seconds off first place with her fourth place effort of 17:44. Junior Marybeth Crawley was seventh in 18:01, senior Mary Selleck took 12th in 18:24, junior Vicki Mitchell placed 14th in 18:27, freshman Michelle Lauritzen took 17th in

18:37, senior Tracey Swarts placed 20th in 18:40, freshman Chris Nichols took 20th in 18:42, sophomore Patti Zoda 22nd in 18:45 and junior Michelle Franklin 24th in 18:56.

In the men's competition, Central Michigan won with 29 points. Eastern Michigan placed second with 32, followed by Saginaw Valley State 112, Cortland 118, Hillsdale 141, McMaster 170, Oakland CC 172, Ferris State 181 and Macomb JC 291.

Red Dragon frontrunner, senior Joe Keany, was a minute off the winning pace with his 14th place finish of 21:04. Other Cortland efforts included: senior Greg Potter 16th in 21:05, junior Jim McCarty 37th in 21:36, junior Chris Marion 41st in 21:41, sophomore Andy Robyler 47th in 21:51, sophomore John Hartpence 48th in 21:54, senior Todd Rhearme 51st in 21:55 and Tom Appenheimer 52nd in 21:56.

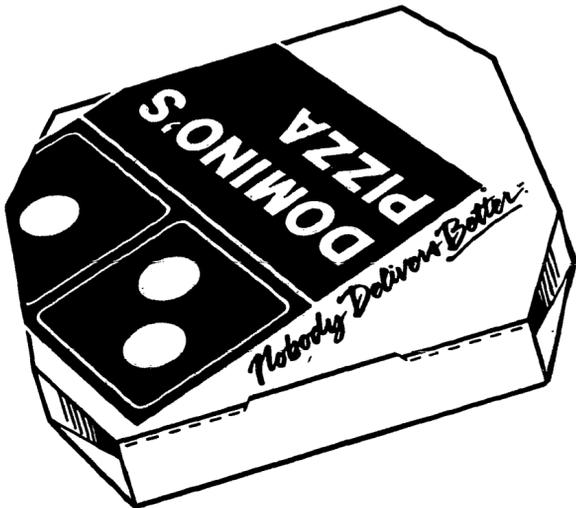
"Both teams ran very well," said Cortland coach Jack Daniels. "The women actually had nine in front of Central Michigan's first six but Central won because it had the top few places. We really bunched together and looked good."

Cortland also sent its "B" teams to SUNY-Binghamton for double duals with Ithaca and SUNY-Binghamton. The Cortland men reserves lost 22-36 to Binghamton and 17-46 to Ithaca. Sophomore Rich Lacaturto was the best Dragon finisher with his seventh place time of 27:58. In the women's competition, only three Dragons participated. Cortland's best effort there was junior Kris Gansch's 18th place time of 22:17.

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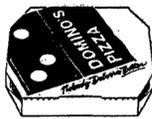
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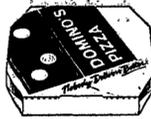


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