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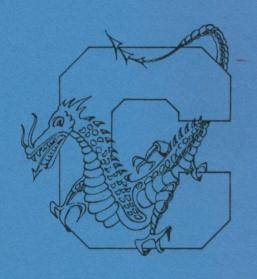
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# CORTLAND BASKETBALL



Winter Schedule 1971 - 72

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#### COLLEGE AT CORTLAND

Founded: 1868

Location: Cortland, New York 13045

Enrollment: 5,000

Colors: Red and White

Nickname: Red Dragons

President: Richard C. Jones

Director of Athletics: Francis J. Woods Tel. (607) 753-4102

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### Athletic Memberships

NCAA--National Collegiate Athletic Association

ECAC--Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference

SUNYAC--State University of New York Athletic Conference

NYSCTFA--New York State Collegiate
Track and Field Association

CNYLL--Central New York Lacrosse League

#### BASKETBALL

With just one part-time starter from a year ago in the opening line-up, coach Al Stockholm's 1971-72 Red Dragon quint will have a new look in both personnel and style of play. Guard Mike Eidel, and frontcourters Earl Rogers and Dan Riggins have graduated and guard Bob Antin is on a leave of absence from school, creating the four vacancies in the Mne-up. John Jackson, 6-4, last year's leading freshman scorer and rebounder will start up front, as will 6-4 junior transfer, from Erie Community College Bruce Roloff. Veteran senior Dave Pitonzo, 6-2, and freshman Don Selsky, 6-4, are vying for the other forecourt spot. In the backcourt senior Mike Marsallo, 5-7 playmaker and team captain who averaged six points a game last year and freshman Larry Hazen, 6-0, are penciled in to answer the opening whistle. With Eidel, who averaged nearly 21 points a game, and Antin, who chipped in nearly 17 markers a contest, no longer on hand, Stockholm will no longer be looking to the backcourt for the bulk of the scoring. Last year nearly 80% of the Dragons' shots came from 15 feet or further but this year the offense will be patterned to get the ball to the bigger, good-shooting frontcourt men. The added height should also keep opponents from holding wide rebounding advantages, as they often did last winter, and should allow Cortland to run more than did last year's squad. Defensively, Stockholm will use both fullcourt and halfcourt pressure defenses from time to time and some zone coverage to go along with his basic man-to-man philosophy. He feels that this year's scrappy, though largely inexperienced team, should improve upon last year's 9-12 mark and could pull some sizeable upsets along the way.

#### ROSTER

No. Class Pos. Ht. Wt. Hometown High School

BOB COHEN

52 So. F 6-5 195 Plainview Kennedy
The second best scorer and rebounder on last year's frosh team, has a lot of raw
talent but has room for improvement...good attitude but must prod himself to produce
maximum efforts to reach potential...Capable of scoring but must learn his shooting

range...improving on going to the basket, must be more aggressive.

IARRY HAZEN

31 Fr. G 6-0 165 Canton Canton Cen.

A freshman who has won a starting backcourt job, led his high school team to sectional championship last year...a good passer and shooter, needs to work on dribbling...a good thinker, expected to score in double figures if he retains starting spot.

JOHN JACKSON 50 So. F 6-4 188 Seaford Seaford
The leading scorer and rebounder from last year's frosh with 20 and 13 averages, respectively...considered one of Stockholm's best soph prospects in four years at Cortland, staff feels that teams will have to work hard on him to keep him under 20 points a game...not an exceptional jumper but should still get 10 caroms a game... scores well from baseline, around hoop and from 15 feet out...strong defensively and will take opponent's top forward..loves to play, tireless.

TOM KELLEHER

32 Jr. G 6-1 172 Hornell Hornell
Appears to be the first guard in as season about to open but can't be counted out
as possible starter...a good playmaker and passer, there's not a better outside
shooter on the team...heady and a hard worker, transferred from Alfred after freshman
year.

MIKE MARSALLO 43 Sr. G 5-7 150 Syracuse St. Vincent's Elected captain by teammates, rated best driver on team, gets shots off underneath despite size...best floor leader in three years...good defensively with quickness to steal the ball and also draw charging fouls...a part-time starter last year, he is being relied upon to break the man-to-man press.

CHRIS MOORE

Played CYO ball instead of school, also outstanding as football quarterback and in baseball...the best leaper on the team though slowed by summer construction accident ...tough around the rim, must improve outside game...will mix it underneath, should help rebounding...learning and improving.

DAVE PITONZO

40 Sr. F 6-2 189 Syracuse Nottingham
A three-year veteran who could start at a forward this season, can also play
guard...used last year as spot starter and key reserve, plays very well off bench...
best defensive forward despite lack of height, rebounds well for his size...smart
offensively but an erratic shooter.

EWIGHT REES 45 Sr. C 6-4 193 Baldwin Baldwin Second-year player who works as hard as anyone on the squad, expected to play a key role off the bench when frontcourters are in foul trouble or not going well... an improving shooter, ball handler and rebounder...could see spot starts.

GEORGE RENTON 34 So. G 5-10 154 New York Stuyvesant Also played CYO ball instead of prep ball in the City...the best guard up from the frosh, rated a fine defensive player and a better-than-average ball handler...good shooter but inconsistent scorer, probably best passer on team...top rebounding guard and improving playmaker.

BRUCE ROLOFF 44 Jr. C 6-4 195 Cheektowaga Maryvale
Transfer from Eric Community, averaged about 10 points and 10 rebounds for
strong, well-balanced Kats...expected to be Dragons' single most dominant player with
good strength, good shooting, jumping ability and a lot of aggressiveness...won't be
intimidated but must guard against foul trouble...played football until sidelined with
a concussion...reacts very well and could average in high double figures in both
scoring and rebounding.

DON SEISKY

42 Fr. F 6-4 190 Levittown Levittown

Best outside ball handling forward, could end up playing some backcourt—if not
this year then next...needs to get oriented to varsity caliber of play, has tools to
do it...a good shooter from 15 feet, also can score off of dribble...rated a comer
who should improve a lot with experience and added aggressiveness.

GARY WILKINS

One of team's top two shooters with best range...also a good driver, explosive when in a hot streak...plays good defense and has a good understanding of the game... can't be ruled out as a possible starter.

#### COACHES

VARSITY: Al Stockholm begins his fourth season with hopes of climbing above the .500 mark. His three-year mark is 37-39. He played both basketball and baseball as an undergrad at East Stroudsburg and holds a master's from Maryland. He coached two years at Allegany, Md., Junior College before accepting his present position as an assistant professor in the Physical Education Department. He is currently working on a doctorate at the University of Indiana.

ASSISTANT: John Snell is a graduate of Nebraska State College at Kearney where he played two years of varsity basketball and three years of varsity tennis. He taught and coached for nine years in Nebraska high schools and handled varsity basketball for seven seasons, finishing as runner-up in the state tournament one year. He also coached a high school All-American. He holds a master's from the University of Nebraska and is nearly finished doctorate work at the University of Indiana.

FROSH: Chuck Brady is a 1969 LeMoyne graduate, currently working on a master's degree in recreation education. After graduation he taught and coached one year at alma mater St. Mary's High in his hometown of Hudson before coming to Cortland. Last year he worked with the varsity frontcourters and helped with the Baby Dragons. Before going to LeMoyne, he was an All-League and All-Capital District pivotman, averaging 23 points a game. He had a fine career at LeMoyne under Tom Niland and captained the Dolphins as a senior while averaging 15 points and 10 rebounds a game to lead his team into the NCAA play-offs. His personal coaching philosophy includes a good deal of "fundamentals and controlled game" theories, as learned under Niland. His freshman team will be somewhat limited this season due to the fact that three frosh made the varsity and two more, including his top scorer and playmaker, were ruled ineligible just before the season began.

#### FROSH ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown/High School
41	Barber, Bill	F	6-0	180	Altamont/Berne-Knox Central
32	Clark, James	F	6-3	168	Kenmore/Kenmore East
35	Fernandez, Mike	G	5-8	155	New York/Cardinal Hayes
44	Heitman, Jeff	C	6-4	188	N. Tonawanda/N. Tonawanda
43	Hill, George	F	5-11	165	New York/Music and Art
42	Reynolds, Warren	G	6-0	160	Halcott Center/Margaretville
31	Siegal, Stuart	G	5-7	138	Brooklyn/Erasmus Hall
33	Smith, Dave	F	6-2	165	Saugerties/Saugerties
45	Tenet, George	G	5-11	160	Little Neck/B. Cardozo
50	Tyler, Gred	C	6-5	218	Lewiston/Lew-Port
40	Washington, George Jr.	G	5-10	147	New York/Peter Stuyvesant
30	Weishan, Pete	F	6-2	170	Cattaraugus/Cattaraugus

## Varsity Basketball Schedule

Dec.	1-2	Potsdam Tournament	
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	7	Hartwick	Н 8:30
	11	Siena	H 8:30
	13	Ithaca	A 8:15
	16	Oswego	Н 8:30
Jan.	7	Potsdam	H 8:30
	8	New Paltz	A 8:00
	28	Adelphi U.	A 8:00
	29	York College (NYC)	A 7:00
Feb.	2	Oneonta	A 8:30
	5	Fredonia	H 8:30
	8	Ithaca	H 8:30
	12	Geneseo	A 8:15
	18	Plattsburgh	H 8:30
	19	Albany	H 8:30
	22	LeMoyne	Н 8:30
	25	Buffalo State	Н 8:30
	26	Brockport	A 8:15
Mar.	2	LeMoyne	A 8:00
	4	Alfred	H 8:30

## Frosh Basketball Schedule

Dec.	4	Syracuse U.	A 11:00
	7	Hartwick	H 6:30
	11	Siena	H 6:30
	13	Ithaca	A 6:15
	16	Oswego	H 6:30
Jan.	7	Potsdam	H 6:30
	8	New Paltz	A 6:30
Feb.	2	Oneonta	A 6:30
	5	Manlius	H 6:30
	8	Ithaca	H 6:30
	12	Geneseo	A 6:15
	18	Tompkins-Cortland CC	H 6:30
	19	College Center of	
		Syracuse	H 6:30
	22	Auburn CC	H 6:30
	25	Buffalo State	H 6:30
	26	Brockport	A 6:15
Mar.	2	LeMoyne	A 6:15
	4	Alfred	H 6 :30