JOHN JAY CHOMPS DOWN THE CHAMPIONSHIP IN THE 10TH

Staten Island, NY - Maybe having two weeks off between games is not so bad after all, as John Jay College showed by scratching out a 9-8 win host over the College of Staten Island in 2002 the CUNY Athletic Conference / Sprint PCS Championship. The Bloodhounds’ determination was like a beacon of hope for the young team as they ended three years of struggles with the school’s first CUNYAC since 1999.

Last year at this time, the Bloodhounds were in the midst of hiring the team’s third new head coach in three seasons following a 1-22 campaign. In came Dan Palumbo, a New Jersey native with a wealth of collegiate experience, and the turnaround began.

Mother Nature was to blame for John Jay’s two-week layoff, postponing the CUNY final twice. It would have been longer if the Dolphins were not slumping. CSI benefited from the CUNY rainouts, winning the Knickerbocker Conference semifinals, and moving one game away from its first-ever NCAA Tournament. But the Dolphins faltered, losing to Stevens Tech 3-1 and then falling 18-5 in the ECAC Championship semifinals against FDU-Madison thus allowing the CUNY Championship to be played the next day.

The Bloodhounds pounced first in the game, loading the bases in the second inning with no outs against CSI ace Andrew Parrino (Staten Island, NY) when junior Paul Torre (Queens, NY) slapped a single to right field for a 1-0 lead. The next batter, 2B Adris Fortunato (Bronx, NY), singled to left-center and cleared the bases to give John Jay a commanding 4-0 lead.

Staten Island battled back, however, scoring six runs over the next four innings, highlighted by a two-run single from senior OF Tom Consolmagno (Staten Island, NY) in the bottom of the fifth inning that knocked out starter Kevin Kozub (Lindenhurst, NY). Kozub, a four-year pitcher for the Bloodhounds, was a freshman on their 1999 CUNY Championship team that went to the NCAA Tournament. Palumbo then brought in ace freshman Kevin Anza (Bronx, NY), who limited CSI to two runs and five baserunners over the next 5 1/3 innings.

John Jay tied the score at 6-6 in the top of the next frame on a double by Torre, followed by three consecutive singles from Anza, 3B Corey Johnson (Ontario, OR) and CF Steve Vera (Bronx, NY). The Bloodhounds took the lead again in the eighth when Johnson singled to left field and was brought home on a single by freshman Mike Ramirez (Poughkeepsie, NY), who later scored on an error to stretch the score to 8-6.

The home team kept hope alive in the bottom of the ninth with a rally of its own when the leadoff batter junior 2B Michael Guarneri (Staten Island, NY) scored his third run of the contest on a double by sophomore OF Eric Zinke (Staten Island, NY). Sophomore C Russell Stefanski (Staten Island, NY) followed with his fourth hit of the game and freshman reliever Tom Wohlfit (Staten Island, NY) plated Zinke to send the game into extra innings.

But the Bloodhounds would not be denied.

Johnson led off the top of the tenth with a walk, advanced to second on a sacrifice bunt, and got to third base on a balk. He then scored the winning run on a Ramirez single to right-center field.

"I gathered myself and made sure that I put the ball in play" said Ramirez, the Tournament Most Valuable Player. "It was a rough, rough game. But that’s the heart this team has showed all season."
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CUNY TOURNAMENT RESULTS

CHAMPIONSHIP at THE COLLEGE OF STATEN ISLAND

Semifinals
#1 Staten Island 12, #4 Baruch 3
#3 John Jay 9, #2 Lehman 6

Final
#3 John Jay 9, #1 Staten Island 8 (10 innings)

Tournament Most Valuable Player
Mike Ramirez Fr. LF John Jay

CUNY ALL-STARS

All-CUNY Team
Andrew Parrino P So. Staten Island
Joharry Burgos C Fr. Lehman
Michael Guarneri IF Jr. Staten Island
Hector Henriquez IF Fr. Lehman
Joseph Ruiz IF So. Staten Island
Tom Consolmagno OF Sr. Staten Island
Giovanny Nunez OF Jr. Lehman
Mike Ramirez OF Fr. John Jay
Eric Zinke OF So. Staten Island
Tom Wohlfit DH Fr. Staten Island
Russell Stefanski UT So. Staten Island
Paul Alfano UT Fr. Baruch
Gary Alford UT Jr. Baruch

Player of the Year
Miguel Jaquez C Fr. John Jay

Pitcher of the Year
Nick Secchini P So. Staten Island

Rookie of the Year
Steve Ortiz P Fr. Staten Island

Coach of the Year
Bill Cali 8th Season Staten Island

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Players of the Week
Mar. 18 Tom Consolmagno CSI Sr. OF
Mar. 25 Michael Guarneri CSI Jr. 2B
Apr. 01 Michael Guarneri CSI Jr. 2B
Apr. 08 Eric Zinke CSI So. OF
Apr. 15 Nick Secchini CSI So. P
Apr. 22 Eric Zinke CSI So. OF

Players of the Week
Mar. 18 Kevin Kozub John Jay Sr. P
Mar. 25 Tom Wohlfit CSI Jr. P
Apr. 01 A. J. Parrino CSI So. P
Apr. 08 Ted Maceda CSI So. P
Apr. 15 Kevin Kozub John Jay Sr. P
Apr. 22 Lino Isabel CSI So. P

Rookies of the Week
Mar. 18 Nick Secchini CSI So. P
Mar. 25 Miguel Jaquez John Jay Fr. C
Apr. 01 Joseph Ruiz CSI Fr. 3B
Apr. 08 Miguel Jaquez John Jay Fr. SS
Apr. 15 Hector Henriquez Lehman Fr. SS
Apr. 22 Miguel Jaquez John Jay Fr. C

CUNY POSTSEASON SCORES

Knickerbocker Championship - Semifinals @ CSI
#1 Staten Island 8, #3 Mount St. Mary 7

Knickerbocker Championship FINAL
@ Richmond County Ballpark (Staten Island, NY)
#4 Stevens Tech 3, #1 Staten Island 1

ECAC Semifinals @ Madison, NJ
#1 FDU-Madison 18, #4 Staten Island 5

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TEAM 2001-02 RESULTS

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Sun. M 17 @ Stevens Tech L 3-1
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Sat. M 24 vs Manhattanville L 14-3
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Wed. A 03 @ Staten Island L 10-0
Sat. A 06 vs Staten Island L 15-2
Sat. A 06 vs Staten Island L 14-2
Sun. A 07 @ Mount St. Mary L 11-3
Sun. A 14 vs Lehman L 9-1
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Wed. A 17 vs St. Joseph's (LI) L 21-2
Sat. A 20 @ St. Joseph's (LI) L 12-3
Sat. A 20 @ St. Joseph's (LI) L 8-0
Sun. A 21 vs USMMA L 12-0
Sun. A 21 vs USMMA L 9-0
Wed. A 24 vs Old Westbury L 12-4
Sat. A 27 CUNY SEMIFINALS @ Staten Island L 12-3

John Jay Bloodhounds (9-24,2-4)

Thu. M 07 vs Nyack L 17-5
Sun. M 10 vs Centenary W 18-13
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Fri. A 19 vs New Jersey City L 10-8
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Mon. A 29 @ New Jersey City W 12-4
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Lehman Lightning (9-20,4-2)

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Sun. M 24 @ John Jay W 12-3
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CUNY SEMIFINAL RECAPS

CHAMPIONSHIP at THE COLLEGE OF STATEN ISLAND

Semifinals: #1 Staten Island 12, #4 Baruch 3

Staten Island, NY - College of Staten Island, the tournament’s top seed, won its CUNY / Sprint PCS semifinal game to advance to the Championship final with a 12-3 victory over #4 Baruch 12-3 at home.

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Semifinals: #3 John Jay 9 #2 Lehman 6

Staten Island, NY - John Jay College was an upset winner over second-seeded Lehman College in the second semifinal of the CUNY / Sprint PCS Baseball Tournament, advancing by a score of 9-6. The Bloodhounds moved on to their first championship game appearance since winning the title in 1999.

Game two saw the Bloodhounds bounce back from an early 4-2 deficit with back-to-back three run innings in the third and fourth to knock off the Lightning. John Jay freshman reliever Kevin Anza stopped early bleeding in Lehman’s four-run second inning and allowed just two runs on five hits thereafter over seven innings.

Mike Ramirez provided the big hit in the fourth for John Jay with a two-run single that pushed the Bloodhounds lead to 7-4 and knocked out Lehman’s four-run second inning and allowed just two runs on five hits as Russell Stefanski and Tom Wohlfit drove home two runs apiece with a double and a single, respectively. The Dolphins put the game out of reach an inning later as they tagged on five more runs, highlighted by a two-run triple by Wohlfit to right centerfield. Wohlfit was 2-for-4 with four RBI. Pitcher Lino Isabel went the distance, allowing nine hits, one earned run, and nine strikeouts, to earn his fifth win of the year.

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For Lehman, Eddie Roman went 2-4 with an RBI triple and a run scored, while Robert Molina added a two-run double in the second inning.

ECAC CHAMPIONSHIPS

Semifinals: FDU-Madison 18, Staten Island 5

Madison, NJ - The Dolphins took the field in this year’s ECAC Metro NY/NJ Baseball Championship with scant hopes of salvaging a season that lost its luster after a heartbreaking 3-1 defeat at the hands of Stevens Tech in the Knickerbocker Conference title game. With missing the NCAA’s as a foregone conclusion, the Dolphins limped into their first-round ECAC playoff game against #1 seeded FDU-Madison with little motivation. The result was a one-sided 18-5 victory for the Blue Knights, that left the Dolphins stuck in a season filled with dead ends.

Not without resistance, the Dolphins did send sophomore standout pitcher Nick Secchini to the hill against FDU. The hard-throwing Secchini had been a perfect 5-0 on the season and wasn’t used during CSI’s 21-5 loss to FDU in their first meeting this season. However, three errors in the game’s first inning saw four runs, two unearned, come across for FDU.

With two outs in the second inning, CSI shortstop Andrew Fraschilla singled home two runs to tighten the game at 4-2. Two more runs would come across for FDU in the bottom stanza, however, and the game would be put of reach in the fourth inning. With the score 7-4 in favor of the Knights, an early error and timely hitting chased Secchini for reliever Lino Isabel, who was hit for 5 more runs and a 1-2-4 hole.

Despite the loss, the Dolphins tried to remain upbeat about what had been an otherwise highly successful season. CSI raced to a 19-3 Knickerbocker Conference mark, finishing with the best record and the #1 seeding in the tournament. The 26-13 overall mark was the best under head coach Bill Cali since the team posted an identical season in 1999.

The guys have nothing to hang their heads about,” commented the all-time winningest coach in school history, “Overall, it was a very successful season, and we played well under adversity.”

CUNY RESULTS IN THE NCAA DIVISION III CHAMPIONSHIPS

1991 New York Regional
Ithaca 8, Staten Island 7
Staten Island 6, St. Lawrence 5
Staten Island 8, Montclair State 3
Staten Island 11, Ithaca 8
Ithaca 6, Staten Island 3
Staten Island 2, Rensselaer 0
Staten Island 5, Ithaca 3
Ithaca 5, Staten Island 1
Ithaca 7, Staten Island 3
Rensselaer 6, John Jay 2
Oswego State 2, John Jay 1

1992 New York Regional

1996 New York Regional

CUNY RESULTS IN THE ECAC METRO NY/NJ CHAMPIONSHIPS

1982 Semifinals
Brooklyn 17, John Jay 4
Final
New Jersey Tech 10, Brooklyn 8
1984 Semifinals
New Jersey Tech 12, John Jay 2
1986 First Round
Kean 6, Staten Island 2
John Jay 9, Jersey City 3
Kean 12, John Jay 1
Semifinals
Jersey City 6, Staten Island 5
Kean 5, John Jay 4
1989 Semifinals
Lehman 16, Drew 6
Staten Island 5, Upsala 2
Final
Lehman 9, Staten Island 3
1991 Semifinals
Staten Island 18, Ramapo 5
Kean 8, Lehman 5
Final
Staten Island 6, Kean 3
1996 Semifinals
Lehman 4, Mount St. Mary 3
Staten Island 15, John Jay 10
Final
Lehman 11, Staten Island 10
1997 Semifinals
Mount St. Mary 11, Staten Island 5
St. Joseph’s 13, John Jay 12
1999 Semifinals
Drew 10, Staten Island 5
2000 Semifinals
SUNY-Old Westbury 9, John Jay 8
Staten Island 11, Drew 0
2002 Semifinals
Staten Island 9, FDU-Madison 3
FDU-Madison 18, Staten Island 5
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2002 KNICKERBOCKER CHAMPIONSHIPS

Stevens Shocks Staten Island With 3-1 Win

Staten Island, NY - Boasting a 19-3 Knickerbocker Conference mark and the tournament’s top seed, the College of Staten Island went into the tournament championship game at Richmond County Bank Ballpark with all intentions of snaring the league’s automatic bid to the NCAA Championships. Despite playing the game in their home borough and in front of a large crowd, the Dolphins offense went flat and succumbed to Stevens Tech 3-1, dashing the school’s postseason dreams. It was also a surprising loss since the team had won six of its last seven games, including a come-from-behind win in the Knickerbocker semifinals three days earlier.

Stevens Institute of Technology had never won the Knickerbocker Conference title either, but the small school located in Hoboken, NJ, received a tremendous pitching performance from freshman Kevin Suders. In eight innings of work, Suders gave up only five hits and walked three batters. Senior David Riley earned the save after pitching a perfect bottom of the ninth.

For Staten Island, five batters had one hit each, while sophomore P/DH Tom Wohlfit (Staten Island, NY) drove in the Dolphins’ only run on a sacrifice fly to centerfield in the bottom of the third inning to tie the score at 1-1.

The Ducks scored the eventual game-winning run when 2B Chris Ecke singled in Riley in the top of the fifth inning.

CSI sophomore righty Andrew Parrino (7-1) suffered his first loss of the season in the contest. The Dolphins would go on to lose their next three contests and finish the year at 26-13.

In the semifinals of the Knickerbocker Tournament against Mount St. Mary (Newburgh, NY), the Dolphins were down 7-4 going into the bottom of the eighth inning before the team finally got its bats going. With the bases loaded, senior rightfielder Tom Consolmagno (Staten Island, NY) smashed a double down the left field line that plated all three runs. With the score still tied in the bottom of the eighth, CSI catcher Russell Stefanski (Staten Island, NY) singled home junior 2B Michael Guarneri for the winning run.

2001-02 INDIVIDUAL ACCOLADES

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John Jay College

MICHAEL GUARNERI
College of Staten Island

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ECAC Metropolitan
1st Team All-Star

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ERNIE ZINKE

College of Staten Island

ECAC Metropolitan
2nd Team All-Star

Knickerbocker
1st Team All-Star

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1st Team All-Star

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1st Team All-Star

CUNYAC Coach of the Year
Bill Cali
College of Staten Island

KNICKERBOCKER ALL-STARS

(CUNY Players Only)

All-Knickerbocker First Team
Miguel Jaquez  C Fr. John Jay
Michael Guarneri  2B Jr. CSI
Tom Wohlfit  DH Fr. CSI
Eric Zinke  OF So. CSI
Nick Secchini  P So. CSI

All-Knickerbocker Second Team
Tom Consolmagno  OF Sr. CSI
A. J. Parrino  P So. CSI
Mike Ramirez  OF Fr. John Jay

Coach of the Year
Bill Cali  8th Season CSI

ECACHONORABLEMENTIONS

(CUNY Players Only)

Hector Henriquez  SS Fr. Lehman
Giovanny Nunez  2B Jr. Lehman
A. J. Parrino  P So. CSI