

Texas A&M's pole vaulter Mark Rutledge tries to clear the bar in the finals of the Southwest Conference Indoor Track and Field Championships Friday night at the **Tarrant County Convention Center in Fort** Worth. The Aggies finished fourth overall.

No surprises for Texas A& at SWC indoor track meet

By JIM HINEY Reporter

At the Southwest Conference In-door Track an Field Championships held in Fort Worth over the weekend, there were few surprises.

Arkansas captured the men's overall title for the fifth year in a row and Baylor and Houston finished second and third, respectively. No surprises.

Even the Texas A&M, track team wasn't that surprised by its fourth-

The Aggies had hoped to finish in the top three, but A&M Track and Field Coach Charlie Thomas didn't seem at all disappointed with the team's performance at the Tarrant County Convention Center Friday

"We knew going in that Arkansas would probably win the meet. But we felt like we had a chance to get second-place." Thomas said. "I think we're bed a real mod we've had a real good season though.

Senior sprinter Rod Richardson had the best finish of the night for A&M, winning his third SWC 60yard dash title in an exciting photo finish.It took judges 25 minutes to finally determine the winner of the

Richardson and TCU freshman Roscoe Tatum hit the finish line to-gether. Lane judges gave the race to Tatum, but, after studying an Accutrak picture of the finish, meet officials ruled Richardson the winner. The record books will show Richard-son winning the sprint in 6.13 sec-onds, just .02 seconds ahead of Ta-

Thomas wasn't surprised that Richardson faced tough competition. Richardson had only run in one previous meet this season because of a leg injury. Most of the other competitors had run in four or five meets.

"Two or three of those guys had been running well all year long," Thomas said.

In terms of the caliber of competition at Fort Worth, Thomas said it was the best meet the SWC has ever had.

Although A&M only had one first-place finish, it did turn in a

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The Aggies' 4 x 440 relay team, composed of junior Matt Holt, freshman Kyle Hargett, freshman Maurice Holt and sophomore Ken-drick Wesley, took second behind

A&M senior Arturo Barrios placed third in both the mile and two mile events. Barrios' two mile time of 8:46.00 was only 14 seconds off of his own school record. Thomas said Barrios ran a good

race, considering the distance. Barrios had to run a mile Friday morning to qualify in the event, and then run another mile in the afternon against two favored Arkansas run-

A&M senior Ethan Glass placed third in the high jump with an effort of 7-foot-1, while Francisco Oliveras placed fourth in the triple jump with a leap of 52-3 3/4.

Defending 440-yard champion Tony Grier finished fourth in that event with a time of 48.56 seconds and Rickey Alexander placed fourth in the 60-yard hurdles with a time of .47 seconds.

The Aggies indoor season was composed of five meets this year. A&M attended two meets in Okla-homa City, one in Baton Rouge, one in Dallas and the SWC meet in Fort Worth Friday.

The first four meets were nonscoring meets so there were no team places. However, there were new

Barrios set a new school record for the two mile run. Freshman Chris Walker set a record in the long jump and Oliveras broke the schools



A&M's Rod Richa improving their own the season

'We had quite a fewp this season," Thomas A&M is now looking NCAA indoor champion will be held during the fir March. Thomas said his ne for the meet is not soteam finish, but to have

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make All-American," head Richardson has an a AUS chance at All-American a prison year. He is the returning champion in the 60-yard dat If Richardson wins at the V rity cel ment o Monda "Te he will become the second NCAA history to be a un standir winner of the 60-yard maxim only person to hold the Na told a H yard dash title three timesi A&M football star, Curislie units f

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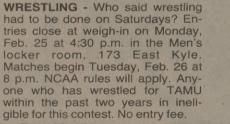
But Thomas is confident that rity no will continue to do well. 'We're looking forward blades' a real good recruiting year

have a good core group couldn back," he said. "Te: That group includes in tories (Lawrence Mitchell and Ton) "Texas who will try to take up thesa dormit

Richardson graduate Will A&M take the SWCm mented year?

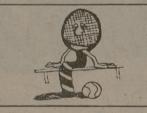
Ed. We just want to borrow them for a little while. Entries close Tuesday, Feb. 19. Play begins Monday, Feb. 25. Each match consists of the best two out of three games to 15 points. Horseshoes are provided. No entry fee.





ENTRIES OPEN:

TABLE TENNIS DOUBLES - Two for the price of one - nothing! Entries open Mon., Feb. 18 and close Tues. Feb. 26. Play begins Mon., March 4 in 304 East Kyle. USTTA Rules will be used. Matches consist of the best two out of three 21 pt. games. No entry fees.





Entries close at weigh in on Monday Feb. 25 at 4:30 p.m. in the men's locker room 173 East Kyle.

CLASSES

Beginning Aerobics: Beginning Aerobic: Intermediate Aerodics: Intermediate Aerodics: Weigh Training: Racquetball: Golf:

Tue. & Thur. Mon. & Wed. Mon., Wed., Fri. Tue., Thur., Fri. Tue. Wed. Tue.

Noon-1:00 p.m. \$20 5:30-6:30 p.m. \$20 Noon-1:00 p.m. \$25 5:30-6:30 p.m. \$25 7:00-9:00 p.m. \$5 6:00-8:00 p.m. \$5 5:30-7:00 p.m. \$5

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

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AEROBIC EXERCISE-class formats include stretching, warm-up, aerobic exercise, cool down and toning exercises. Thiss not a dance class, however the "routine" blends all types of exercises into a well-developed exercise program. WEIGHT TRAINING-safety and use of University and Nautilus machines, setting up individualized exercise program using weight, implementing nutrition, diet and other exercise program to develop a total fitness regime. RACQUETBALL-designed to teach novice players racquetball skills and rules in three, two hour sessions. GOLF-emphasis on putting, chipping, short irons, and driving.

MUD BALL

Please don't use the Main Drill Field, Penberthy, East Campus of Fowler Beach for Mud Ball. These fields are needed for IM games and should be kept in good shape.

FREE THROW RESULTS:

Men's Team - Jabberwockey Women's Team - Lone Shooters **CoRec** - Last Minute Men's Indiv. - Kevin Cokinos Women's Indiv. - Mary Schwind

INFORMATION NUMBERS:

M-REC SPORTS OFFICE	845-
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