

Owl Waugh 'outanchors' Jones

Horns sprint to win at Rice

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More than 2,000 spectators showed up to gallery Texas' Johnny "Lam" Jones in the Rice Invitational track meet Saturday, but a Rice man got the last hurrahs.

Swift Sammy Waugh anchored the Owls to an electronically timed 3:14 victory in the mile relay, but the thundering footsteps he heard belonged to the Longhorn Olympic star.

In the best race of the afternoon, Waugh had a 10-yard lead on Jones when they received the batons on the final lap.

Waugh opened up the lead on the curves while Johnny Lam let it all hang out on the backstretch. In the home stretch, Waugh held off the world's sixth fastest human, ran a 47.9 anchor and won by four yards.

JONES, WHO was sixth in the 100 meters at Montreal and won a gold medal in the sprint relay, exploded to a 47.1 carry which wasn't good enough.

But he anchored UT to an easy win in the opening 440-yard relay, staking the Longhorns to a 41-flat finish, and also captured the 440-yard dash in handy fashion with a 47.8.

Jones, of course, played a major role

in Texas' team victory, although Overton Spence was the high-point man. He compiled 12½ points on a victory in the 100, a second in the 220 and legs on both relay teams.

Texas, coached by aide James Blackwood, ran up 86 points, as compared to 65 for Rice, the host team. Houston was third with 59 points, followed by Lamar, 38, and Houston Baptist, four.

GALVESTON BALL was an overwhelming winner in the high school division, piling up 135 points. Baytown Sterling was a distant second with 76½ points, while Jones was third with 67 points. Ball hurdler Leonard Lewis personally scored 20½ points for individual honors.

Rice never trailed in the mile relay. Freshman Keith Schnelle opened with a 49.0 quarter and led by a couple of steps. The fast-breaking Herb Kinney pushed the Owls to a comfortable 20-yard lead and ran a 48.6. Charlie Taylor, the wide receiver on the football team, breezed around the track in 48.5, but lost 10 yards. Waugh, who placed fifth in the open quarter, roared home. Texas was clocked in 3:14.6.

Jones was scheduled to run in four events, but Blackwood scratched him in

the 220 dash, explaining that his leg was a "little sore."

Head coach Cleburne Price was in Detroit, attending a meeting of the NCAA rules committee.

This was Jones' last race on cinders. Next week he will make his SWC debut in the outdoor 100 at home.

PRICE HAS limited Jones' work on cinder tracks because he is prone to soreness.

"The atmosphere here is just fantastic," said Blackwood. "The stadium is small enough that you see a good crowd in the stands and there are trees and shrubbery in the background."

"Our distance guys feel like they're running in a city park here. We have one of the finest stadiums in the country, but it's artificial. We don't have any trees. All Rice needs is an all-weather track and this stadium would be matchless."

Price wasn't the only absentee Saturday. Greg Edmond, the Cougars' premier sprinter, won the 60-yard dash in the indoor championships in Detroit. Rice miler Mike Novelli didn't run because of a sore groin.

Texas won 6½ events, two more than Rice. Houston captured three and Lamar two.

Rice Invitational

Summaries of the Rice Invitational track meet held Saturday at Rice University:

University division

440 relay — 1. Texas (Raymond Clayborn, Maurice Beecher, Overton Spence, Johnny Jones), 41.0. 2. Lamar, 41.45. 3. UH, 41.71.

Javelin — 1. Porky Lyons, Texas, 224-1. 2. Bruce Atkinson, Rice, 207-4. 3. Terry Elston, UH, 180-3. 4. Emiel Cswaykes, Lamar, 160-7. 5. Jason Aldridge, Lamar, 133-4.

Mile — 1. Jesse Maldonado, Texas, 4:11.7. 2. Eric Lathrop, UH, 4:12.3. 3. Don Waters, Texas, 4:12.6. 4. David Brennan, UH, 4:13.0. 5. Ken Tolbert, Rice, 4:13.0.

120 hurdles — 1. (tie) Curtis Isalah, Rice and Alex Studstill, Texas, 14.4. 3. Doc King, Rice, 14.7. 4. Russell Moor, Lamar, 15.0. 5. Jesse James, Rice, 15.2.

440 — 1. Johnny Jones, Texas, 47.8. 2. Jesse Kibbles, Lamar, 48.6. 3. Raymond Clayborn, Texas, 49.4. 4. Keith Schnelle, Rice, 49.5. 5. Sammy Waugh, Rice, 49.5.

Discus — 1. Donnie Davis, Lamar, 178-10. 2. Mark Baughman, UH, 175-5. 3. Randy Coffman, UH, 160-7. 4. Jack Webb, Lamar, 150-7. 5. Neal Haynes, Lamar, 146-11.

Long jump — 1. Charlie Taylor, Rice, 23-4½. 2. Curtis Isalah, Rice, 22-10¼. 3. Tom White, Lamar, 22-8½. 4. Greg Caldwell, UH, 22-6. 5. John Akhile, Texas, 22-3¾.

Pole vault — 1. Roy Willis, UH, 16-0. 2. Brett Darnes, UH, 15-4. 3. Mark Harns, Texas, 15-6. 4. Chris Pecheux, Rice, 15-6. 5. David Stark, Rice, 14-0.

100 — 1. Overton Spence, Texas, 9.79. 2. Kevin Nance, UH, 10.02. 3. Loyd Toliver, HBU, 10.05. 4. Mike Clark, Lamar, 10.15. 5. Charlie Taylor, Rice, 10.19.

High jump — 1. (tie) Bob Keith, Texas, Ron Hrrvey, Texas, Terry Davenport, Texas, 6-8. 4. John Jones, Texas, 6-8. 5. Brian Hildebrand, Lamar, 6-8.

800 — 1. David Bayer, Rice, 1:52.92. 2. Mark Mason, Texas, 1:52.96. 3. Paul Craig, Texas, 1:53.78. 4. Bruce Gingrich, Rice, 1:54.23. 5. Jimmy Strong, Texas, 1:54.45.

Shot put — 1. Randy Coffman, UH, 56-9. 2. Mark Baughman, UH, 55-2. 3. Jack Faniel, UH, 49-11½. 4. Tim Vaia, Rice, 48-10¼. 5. Neal Haynes, Lamar, 45-6.

440 hurdles — 1. Daniel Stagg, Lamar, 52.95. 2. Jesse James, Rice, 53.16. 3. Curtis Isalah, Rice, 52.37. 4. Alex Studstill, Texas, 53.65. 5. Blair Kornorfer, Texas, 53.77.

220 — 1. Elrick Brown, UH, 21.45. Overton Spence, Texas, 21.60. 3. Kevin Nance, UH, 21.74. 4. Junior Holmes, Lamar, 21.97. 5. Loyd Toliver, HBU, 22.13.

3-mile — 1. Marty Froelick, Rice, 14:03.01. 2. Paul Craig, Texas, 14:08.92. 3. Bert Warren, Rice, 14:12.40. 4. Rubin Linares, Texas, 14:18.54. 5. Jesse Maldonado, Texas, 14:25.30.

Mile relay — 1. Rice (Keith Schnelle, Herb Kinney, Charlie Taylor, Sammy Waugh), 3:14.01. 2. Texas, 3:14.62. 3. Lamar, 3:14.69. 4. UH, 3:18.64. 5. HBU, 3:19.63.

Team totals — 1. Texas, 86; 2. Rice, 65; 3. UH, 59; 4. Lamar, 38; 5. Houston Baptist, 4.

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