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JARVIS CLINCHES FIRST RED RIVER CHAMPIONSHIP

Jarvis Christian College shut out the top-seeded Texas Wesleyan, with a 79-72 final victory on Saturday in the Red River Athletic Conference. This was the first ever RRAC tournament victory for the mighty bulldogs.

Jarvis had to beat local rival Texas College and the Southwestern Assemblies of God University prior to competing in the championship game.

“This is the culmination of four years of hard work. We’ve been building the team and getting closer each year”, commented Head Coach and Assistant Athletic Director, William Sperow, II. “It’s nice to win the first RRAC Championship!” The bulldogs placed second in the RRAC regular season for the second year in a row. Jarvis’ win in the RRAC tournament on Saturday earned them the second automatic bid, which qualifies them for the NAIA Division I Men’s Basketball National Championship.

Coach Sperow credited the win partly to the fact that he had three starting seniors return, Roderick Braden, David Green and Mitchell Johnson. Mitchell Johnson was selected as First Team All-Conference and Roderick Braden was selected as Second Team All Conference. New recruit, Deveon Jenkins, was selected as First Team All-Conference and lead in scoring and rebounding. He was chosen RRAC Player of the Week four times. Another new recruit, John Rogers, was given Honorable Mention All-Conference.

Team members are Roderick Braden, Ed Brooks, Phillip Gavin, David Green, Michael Gross, Justian Hamilton, Deveon Jenkins, Mitchell Johnson, Errol Jolivette, Wesley Matthews, Julian McDonald, Reggie Morris, John Rogers, Mahershal Simonet and Gerneal White. The coaching team included Assistant Coaches Jeff Allen, Rodney Carroll and Tommy Smith, Team Manager Kiante Holmes, Scorekeeper Javonte Jones and Trainer Matt Burke.