

RIDEAU NOTES

During the Christmas break Head Custodian Gary Kenney and custodians Willy Tinkess, Charlie Mustard, T. J. McCann and Gordie Burtch completed installing the new ceiling tiles, which have certainly brightened up the corridors in the school.

Little Roar, a collection of poems written by Rideau students, was published in December. Editors and production staff, Lori Taggart (Grade 11), Cathy Keates (Grade 9), Diane Taggart (Grade 11), and Ben Whitney (Grade 9) put together the forty-page collection of some fifty-seven poems by thirty-two student writers. The Santa theme got a new treatment from Clint Lawrence (Grade 11) in this short excerpt:

"Once upon a midnight clear,  
An old man riding nine reindeer  
Did double loops high in the air  
-----"

On a more serious note Danny Porter (Grade 9) expressed these feelings about friendship:

"A friend will always listen  
When you voice your hopes and fears,  
For friends can share the good and bad,  
The laughter and the tears -----"

The Rideau Midgets (under 15 years old in September 1986) have had an impressive record of ten victories and one defeat so far this season. Scott Rice (Grade 10), the only returning player in an otherwise all-rookie team, puts the team's success down to hard work. "We practise most nights after school, we play tournaments at week-ends, and we scheduled extra work-outs over Christmas," he explained. "It's the sort of commitment which makes a team a winning team." The members of this year's Rideau Boys' Midget team are Dwayne Brownlee, Dana Edmunds, Clark Evans, Glenn Hayes, Brian Healey, Cliff Laming, Jamie Lawson, Brad Mainse, Jason McNamara, Darin Merriman, Scott Rice, Rick Taylor, Andrew Visser, Greg Winter, Manager Karen Mavety and Staff Member Coach Doug McDonnell.

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