L O G C A B I N

The spruce logs were bought in 1974 from Paul Dizkowski, a saw mill operator living near Cowan, Manitoba.

Paul hand picked 350 logs during the winter of 1974-75. The logs were cut in the Duck Mountains - 17 miles west of Cowan.

Bob Baker hauled the logs to Redvers on July 17, 1975. The rest of the summer was spent peeling and stacking these logs so they could dry.

Eddie Nielsen started construction of the building in the summer of 1975 and completed it in the summer of 1977.

It was a family project, with help from Eddie's Dad, Henry Nielsen, and members of the family. They were ready to start laying the logs in place by late summer of 1975.

Neighbors and friends also took part in various stages of construction.

These people are:

Clarence Purvis - loaned planks to build forms for the cement foundation.

John Ericksen - used his tractor.

Paul Hardy, Lloyd Meadows, Bill Martin, Gary Sylvestre, Monty Jensen & John Delalleau -- mixing & pouring cement for the foundation.

Gary Jensen - loaned metal scaffolds while building the walls and also helped with part of construction.

Chris Nielsen, Oage Ericksen & Henry Nielsen -- helped with rafters & parts of the roof.

The log building was used as a museum. Antique items, bought locally and some donated, were displayed in the building.

In September, 1980, a name was chosen for the log building from a list of names submitted by students of the Redvers Elementary School during a "name the museum" contest. Mark Pickell entered the name "Wagon Wheels Museum" which was chosen by three judges: Irene Harper, Mary MacDonald & Colleen Duke.

Rick Patron bought the Log Cabin from Mr. Nielsen and the Redvers Wildlife Federation in turn bought it from Mr. Patron.

The Log Cabin has been donated to the TOWN OF REDVERS by: REDVERS WILDLIFE FEDERATION, REDVERS HOMECOMING COMMITTEE, R.M. OF ANTLER NO. 61 & TOWN OF REDVERS.