



## **Description of Pioneer Camp Alberta - Pioneer Ranch Facilities**

### **Main Lodge**

The main lodge, called Cap's Ranch House, is a very large facility, beautifully built of logs. It has a dining room big enough for more than 100 people, a large kitchen, dishwashing room, and three large meeting rooms. One room will likely be used for games, etc.

Washrooms for men and women are on the lower floor of the Ranch House. There are 5 toilets, 4 showers, and basins in each one. During the winter, these are the only washrooms that can be used.

Inside the Lodge, there is one large room with 6 sets of bunk beds (12 beds), and a smaller room with 4 sets of bunk beds (8 beds). These rooms are suitable for groups of single men or women who are willing to stay together in one room.

### **Staff Cabins – quite comfortable**

- In the winter, these cabins are not used for staff and most of our guests will be able to stay in them. Families and married couples will stay in these cabins.
- These cabins are insulated and heated with natural gas or propane heaters, so they will be warm. However, the heaters are in a central “sitting room”, so the bedrooms will be warmer if the bedroom door is left open a bit to let the air circulate better.
- Most cabins have 2 or 3 bedrooms, so these cabins might be shared by more than one family or group. Each family (or group of friends) will have its own bedroom.
- Each bedroom has either a double bed, or bunk beds (single beds one above the other). A few rooms have both a double bed and a set of bunk beds, and they would be good for a couple with one or two children.
- You will find that there are bathrooms in some of these cabins, but most of them cannot be used in the winter. The water and drain pipes are near the surface of the ground and would freeze, so the water is turned off in the winter. People who stay in these cabins must use the bathrooms in the main lodge, even during the night.

### **Other Cabins – for people who are brave and want a real winter experience!**

- The cabins that the kids stay in at summer camp are more rustic (that means more like camping, but warmer than staying in a tent!) Some of these cabins are insulated and can be used in the winter. If some of our guests want a real winter adventure, this would be the place for them!
- These cabins are heated with a wood-burning stove. The fires will be lit before you arrive, so the cabin will be warm and comfortable when you get there, but you must add wood regularly. A staff person will help you learn to keep your fire going well. Someone will have to get out of his or her warm bed in the night to add wood to the fire, or it will be very cold when you get up in the morning.
- Each cabin is one room, about 4 m x 5 m in size. There are 6 or 8 bunk beds around the sides of the room. For privacy, there would be only one family in each cabin, even if not all of the beds are used. These cabins can also be used for small groups of single men or women.
- There is an electric light in each cabin.

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\*\*\* We will try to assign the most suitable accommodation for each family or group of people. It is important that people registering for camp tell us the number of people in their family or group who would be willing to share a bedroom.

On the registration form, include the names of everyone that you are registering. Don't just give your name and say “2 more people”. Please put an M or F beside the name to tell us if the person is male or female. (We sometimes don't know if a name is for a man or woman!). If you are bringing children, tell us how old they are.