

## **Allis Chalmers Building**

Recently doubled in size with a connecting concourse, these two buildings house the largest indoor collection of Allis Chalmers equipment in the World. This was required to accommodate the annual “Gathering of the Orange” Show held in August 2004 at this Museum. It was the first time that the event had ever been held in Western Canada.

Inside is a huge display of Allis Chalmers Tractors, Gleaner Combines, round bailers, and tillage/forage equipment. But Allis Chalmers also manufactured other equipment such as crawler tractors, road scrapers, electrical motors, lawn and garden equipment, ATV’s and snowmobiles and snow throwers. There is even a special snow rescue unit designed during the Second World War to pick up pilots who might be shot down over Alaska.

The Allis Chalmers buildings and most of the displays were donated to the Fort La Reine Museum by Gilbert Vust, and the entire Vust Family of Portage La Prairie. Other individuals have also donated or loaned equipment to the Museum to enhance the exhibit.

