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## GENERAL STORE (RUINS)



23280 General Store Ruins  
Byaduk 0401



23280 General Store ruins  
Byaduk 2296



23280 General Store ruins  
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23280 General Store Ruin  
Byaduk 0398

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### Location

5785 Hamilton-Port Fairy Road BYADUK, Southern Grampians Shire

### Municipality

SOUTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

### Level of significance

Stage 2 study complete

### Heritage Listing

Southern Grampians Shire

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### Statement of Significance

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What is significant?

The former General Store on the Hamilton-Port Fairy Road is located immediately to the south of the later bluestone General Store. The building is in a ruinous condition, with the roof removed, and the walls in various stages of collapse. The remains of a substantial structure are still clearly distinguishable. The store was started in 1863 by John Cannon, and operated as a store until 1877, when the present general store was opened. After this, the structure was used as a private residence. The former general store is in ruinous condition.

How is it significant?

The ruins of the former General Store, Hamilton-Port Fairy Road, Byaduk are of historical significance to the township of Byaduk and the Southern Grampians Shire.

Why is it significant?

The ruins are of historical significance as physical remnants of the first store built by J G Cannon in Byaduk, in 1863. The ruins are of further historical significance for their association with, and the role the general store played in the township of Byaduk from the earliest period of the towns history.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Southern Grampians - Southern Grampians Shire Heritage Study, Timothy Hubbard P/L, Annabel Neylon, 2002;
Construction dates	1863,
Heritage Act Categories	Registered place, Registered archaeological place,
Hermes Number	23280
Property Number	

## Physical Conditions

The former store is in a ruinous condition.

## Physical Description 1

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The store was constructed of rendered bluestone rubble, comprising at least six rooms, with a verandah at the front. A photograph taken prior to 1972 shows that the roof was of corrugated iron.

A number of modern outbuildings remain on the site, including a rudimentary house clad in corrugated iron and aluminium sheeting. An old stone tank stand remains at the rear, together with a number of low stone retaining walls for the garden, which appear to be early 20th century.

## Historical Australian Themes

Theme 3: Developing local, regional and national economies

3.12 Feeding people

3.12.5 Retailing foods and beverages

3.19 Marketing and Retail

Theme 4: Building settlements, towns and cities

4.5 Making settlements to serve rural Australia

Theme 8 Developing Australia's cultural life

- 8.4 Eating and drinking
- 8.12 Living in and around Australian homes
- 8.14 Living in the country and rural settlements

## **Usage/Former Usage**

Ruinous

## **Integrity**

Ruin

## **Physical Description 2**

J G Cannon

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