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# Yass Valley

## Binalong Bushranger Walk

Step back in time on this 3.2km round trip past the Courthouse, see the ruins of the 1861 church, the area where Johnny Gilbert hid out and was later shot plus our village heritage architecture.

This walk will take approximately 40 minutes to complete.



Image: Bushranger Murals

This walk starts at The Old Produce Store Binalong:  
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adaption from the original  
version produced by The  
Old Produce Store  
Binalong.



**(1) The Old Produce Store Binalong** is home to the famous Binalong Mural and Binalong Bushranger Blend. They locally produce delicious goodies including pickles, relish, chutney, jam, jellies, pastes, sauces, candles. They even have their own blend of 100% Australian grown and roasted coffee and teas fit for The Queen!

**(2) Binalong Mural & Pioneer Park.** The Binalong Mural in Pioneer Park was opened on May 16, 2015 and is has been painted by Archibald prize winner, Janet Dawson. It depicts the story of the gun fighting death of Johnny Gilbert by police on May 13, 1865, as told by Banjo Paterson in his poem 'How Gilbert Died.

**(3) Hotel Binalong** was established in 1922 and remains the only functioning pub in Binalong today. It is now an authentic family run Aussie pub with traditional country style hotel rooms.

**(4) Old Paterson's Pub c.1842 (private residence)** Built in 1842 from rammed earth, Binalong's first pub was originally named Commercial Hotel. The hotel was closed in 1922, and is more recently known as Old Paterson's Pub, after it's last publican.

**(5) Old Railway Station c. 1883 (private residence).** Following a fire to the original wooden building in 1883, the new stone brick building that still stands today was constructed. This was decommissioned in 1915 and has since been a private residence.

**(6) General Storekeeper c. 1899 private residence**



Image: General Storekeeper

**(7) Bank NSW c. 1901 private residence**

**(8) Old Royal Hotel c. 1912 (private residence)** This hotel was established or rebuilt in 1912 and is now a private residence.

**(9) Police House & Old Courthouse c. 1883**

**(10) Bushranger Johnny Gilbert's grave** is situated on the outskirts of Binalong. Johnny Gilbert was a notorious bushranger and with 630 armed hold-ups, he was certainly hardworking! On May 13, 1865, he was shot dead by police on a paddock on the bank of the Balgalal Creek.

**(11) St Patrick's Catholic Church c. 1911** Built in 1911, the bluestone building was built at a cost of £3,000 .

**(12) Historic Binalong Cemetery** is a small cemetery on the outskirts of town. Banjo Paterson's father, Andrew Bogle Paterson, lays to rest in this cemetery.

**(13) Binalong Motor Museum** unfortunately closed it's doors in 2020 after being open for 30 years. It was one of Canberra Regions smallest, most eclectic motor museums.

**(14) Binalong Community Club** started in 1857 as a horse racing venue. In 1927, a 9-hole golf course was set up in the muddle of the race track. It is now an integral part of the community with an 18-hole golf course, bowling green, bar, dining and function facilities.

**(15) Royal Motel Tara.** Many travellers make Royal Motel Tara their choice of accommodation when visiting Binalong. They provide comfort, convenience and offer an on-site restaurant open to guests.

**(16) The Black Swan/Cobb & Co c. 1847 (private residence)** is a rare example of early colonial architecture constructed of rammed earth, wood beams, and pressed tin roofing. It was first opened as accommodation for stagecoach passengers. It was more recently an art gallery and is now a private residence.

**(17) Peter Minson Art Glass.** Peter Minson considers himself lucky to be a third generation glass blower. Unique products such as glasses, teapots, flowers and necklaces can be admired and purchased.

**(18) Café on Queen** is an established café operating out of a 100 year old building which was formally a general store up until 1977.

**(19) General Store, Butchery, Garage & Petrol.** Make sure to stop into the butchery for some famous parliamentary Binalong Bangers!

**(20) Binalong Railway Station 1916-1989.** The new island station opened on a new train alignment in 1916 and although non-operational, still stands in good condition. The original station **(5)** on the old alignment is in use as a private residence.

**(21) Mechanics Institute & Public toilets.** Binalong Mechanics Institute Inc., in all it's bluestone glory and gabled facade, was opened in 1911.



Image: Mechanics Institute

**(22) Ruins of Catholic church built in 1861.** The remnant ruins of the former Catholic church of St Peter and St Paul. The church was abandoned when the new Catholic church was built.

● Step back in time Binalong Bushranger walk  
Mostly dirt roads. Take cautionary care as  
X is a main road.  
Please do not trespass on private properties.