

Queenstown markers

A new, independent museum in Queenstown opens today at 46-3 Commonwealth Drive. It showcases artefacts from Singapore's first satellite town. The idea of constructing satellite towns was first mooted in 1947 to tackle the severe housing crunch in the city fringes.



Outfit worn by a Queenstown popstar

The costume of former band member Jap Chong of the band, The Quests, which was popular in Singapore and parts of the region in the 1960s. While on tour, the band's appearances in some countries were said to have caused near riots when hysterical fans ripped the clothing off band members.

Thye Hong Biscuit Tin

This biscuit tin was produced at the former Thye Hong Biscuit and Confectionery Factory at the junction of Alexandra Road and Tiong Bahru Road. The factory was opened in 1935 to modernise biscuit manufacturing. Each day, the factory produced a wide variety of biscuits ranging from Marie Cream Crackers and Horlicks biscuits to Jam De Luxe cookies. Operations at the factory ceased in 1982.



Book store cheque writer

This used to belong to the Long Hwee Book Store in Mei Ling Estate which has been around since the 1970s. It was used to stamp cheques and receipts.



Bowling pins from Queenstown Cinema and Bowling Alley

An 18-lane bowling alley was located in the basement of the Queenstown Cinema and Bowling Alley complex. The complex was demolished in 2013.



Block 76 Commonwealth Drive sign

A signboard from Block 76 which was part of a row of 10-storey flats which have since been demolished.



Neon sign

This sign is from the former Queenstown Cinema and Bowling Alley, which was one of the estate's popular entertainment spots in the 1980s and 1990s.

