

Naval Officersâ€™™ Mausoleum (2)



The mausoleum is a single storey three bay structure, built in stock brick, with a pediment over the central bay. Besides the cartouche mentioned above, there are a number of 19th century memorial tablets attached to the walls. A flight of steps at the back of the building leads down to the vault below.

Devonport House (in the grounds)
Romney Road
Greenwich
Royal Borough of Greenwich
SE10 9NF
England

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Architects

Not known

Year Built

1749

Style

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Listing

Grade II (England and Wales)

Condition

Good (2002).

History

This mausoleum was built in the second burial ground of the Royal Hospital for Seamen which, in 1749, replaced the earlier one on the edge of Greenwich Park. Within the pediment is a cartouche bearing the inscription "5th July 1749 John Meriton Pensioner was ye first Man Buried in this Ground". Thomas Masterman Hardy, Nelson's friend and the Flag Captain of HMS Victory at the Battle of Trafalgar (later First Sea Lord of the Admiralty) was buried in the mausoleum in 1839. The building was restored in 1999.

Sources

Photos



Location

SatNav Co-ordinates: 51.48109275843079, -0.006156953475580341