

The Town Seal

This is of silver, mounted on ivory and an inscription in Latin tells that it was the gift of Richard Skinner in 1616. The donor apparently was a successful Sudbury trader, a man who issued many Sudbury tokens, and who became Mayor in 1637. In the accounts for the expenses of William Nicholl, Mayor, in 1635 is the item, "Payd for mendelinge the Towne Seals Vjd". The story is told that in the eighteenth century the seal was mysteriously lost for several years, but found when one of the ponds at Chilton Hall was dredged.

