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1 minute to discover an aspect of Rotary's history

The role of the Rotary bell

Since the beginnings of Rotary, the bell has become an essential symbol of club meetings.

Used to announce the opening and closing of meetings, it embodies order, punctuality and mutual respect, values dear to Rotarians.

Its clear ringing brings members together in a moment of reflection and attention, marking the transition from the everyday to a time of sharing, friendship, and service.

Each club has its own bell, often engraved with its name, which over the years has become a witness to its history and traditions.

Around the world, this simple gesture — ringing the bell — unites all Rotarians in a single symbolic ritual.

It points out that, everywhere, clubs share the same ideal: to serve humanity with understanding and peace.

Thus, the Rotary bell, beyond its practical function, resonates as a universal call to unity and commitment.

