

## Rongotea Lions Club Car Show

13 April 2025

The day dawned bright and sunny with no wind to speak of for this year's show, which represented an official club outing for both MG Manawatu and MG Wellington. The day was so calm and beautiful that Pat and Lynnette Widdup drove their 1931 M-Type out from its Palmerston North home.

The Lions club were well organised this year and as our cars arrived early, we were given a site with plenty of places close to the food trucks/tents and stage. Fifteen cars representing both clubs lined up along the western side of the park and had space to spare to raise the gazebo brought along by Wellington club secretary, Margaret Christiansen, and treasurer husband Denis.

As part of the show, spot prizes were awarded for various categories, which covered a wide variety of the approximately 300 cars of various makes, models, and vintages displayed. One of which was for the best MG on show. The MG award was won by Pat and Lynnette for their 1931 M-Type.



This outing represented Wellington's annual Cecil Kimber's birthday run as it was the closest event to his birthday on 12<sup>th</sup> April (1888). To celebrate, Wellington club captain Peter Fleming, brought along Claire's beautifully made carrot 'birthday' cake, which our gathering enjoyed at around lunch time.

After the 12.30pm prize giving presentations, cars began departing, as the domain was required to be turned back to sports fields by 2pm.

A big thank you to Peter, and Manawatu members for organising your respective club's involvement. Another good day of MG fellowship had by all.

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