

iPPIG meeting, Colin Hooker

We started the meeting with a bit of fun - a magician doing seemingly impossible things with an iPad. We then watched a video, Cleaning up your iPhone and iPad, which gave us plenty of hints on freeing-up space and making our tablets and phones more efficient. Malcolm then demonstrated Pinterest, an app for collecting and sharing photos and other information. He showed us his amazing collection of poultry photos and read several opening sentences from novels which he had in his literature collection.

Then Colin showed us how to make an Easter card using the Pages for iPad app. First he divided a blank landscape page into 2 halves for the front and back of the card. Then he imported a picture of Easter eggs from the Internet and used that for the front of the card and put a smaller version of the picture on the back of the card. He gave the smaller picture a title and then put "Happy Easter" under the picture on the front. He selected a large and interesting font for the greeting and made it bright red to match the colours of the Easter eggs in the picture. Just one of the many things that can be done with the Pages app.

Shirley and Helen then showed us some interesting gadgets - the first was a little adaptor which enabled an iPad or iPhone to be plugged into a USB socket, eg into a computer for charging. The second was something we'd all been waiting for - a flash drive that could be plugged into the lightning socket on the iPad or iPhone. Helen said it could be purchased at the iGadget.store for \$US29.95. Finally Shirley demonstrated Gaspy, a really useful app which showed prices for petrol and diesel at local service stations.