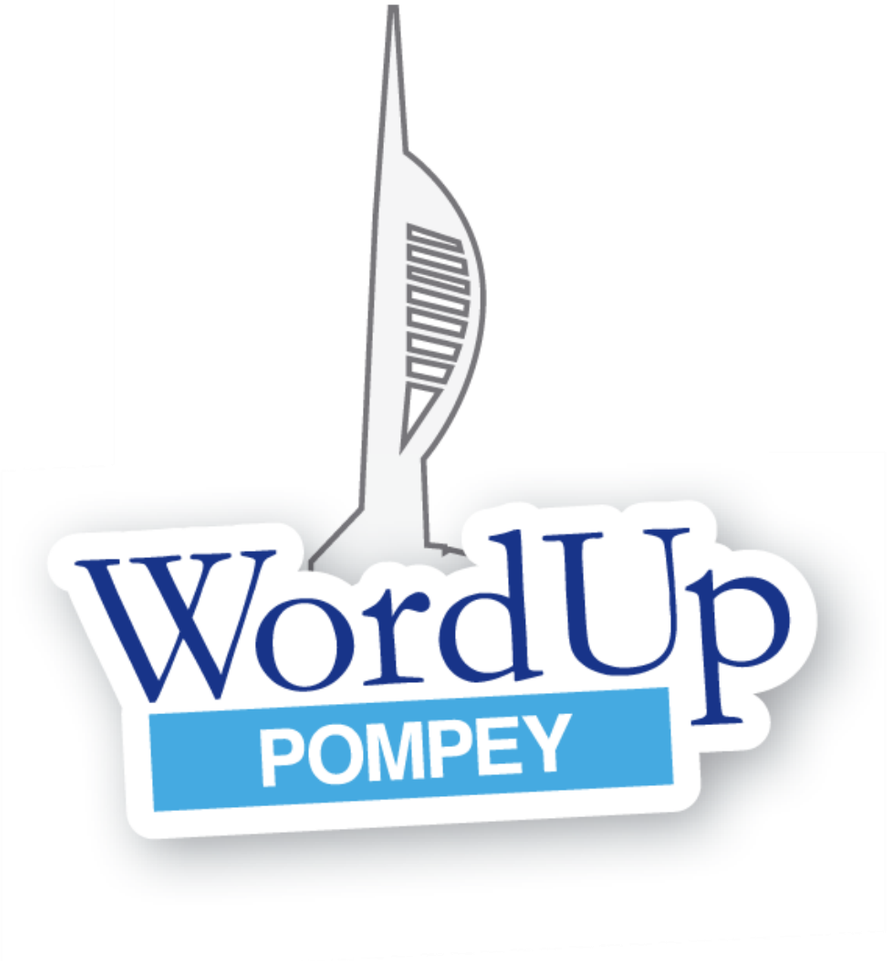

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25th October 2023

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#OnlineWPMeetup

UK Slack: #meetup-portsmouth

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Agenda

19:00 - Connect to Zoom.
19:10 - Organiser's introduction
19:15 - Show & Tell again – More Lightning talks
20:00 - Q & A
20:15 - Wrap-up
20:30 - Close – can we stick to 1.5 hours?

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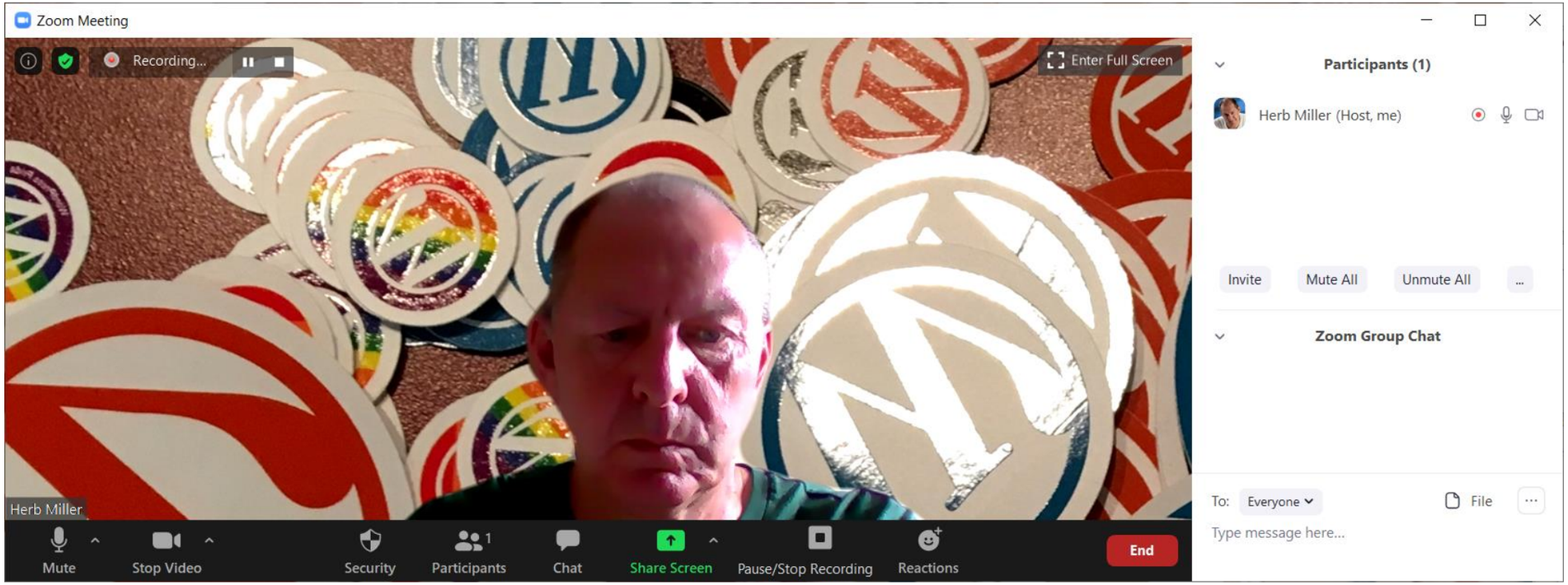

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Show and Tell again – More Lightning talks

Mastodon – an alternative to Twitter/X - Drew Westcott

WPMU Dev - Mike Murphy

TwentyTwenty-Four - the new default bundled theme for WordPress 6.4

How to build useful custom blocks - requested by Vito

Something else - with A. N. Other

Answers to this month’s questions

Do you have any more ideas for WordPress related lightning talk for this month's Show & Tell again? If so, is it something you want to talk about, or something you would like to hear?

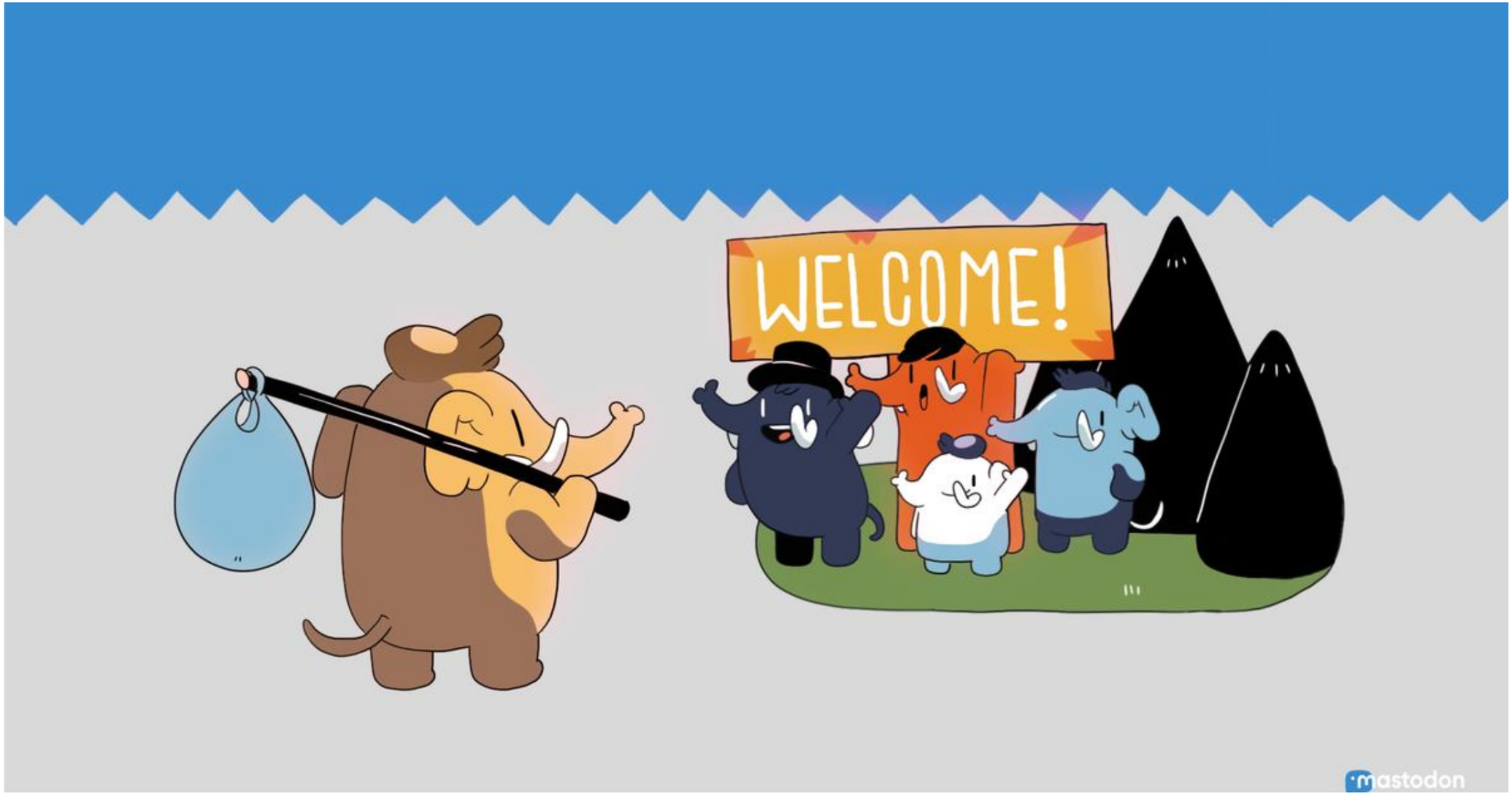
New to the meeting

Not off the top of my head at the moment.

I’m very new to this so step by step hosting your own website with WordPress would be great

How to upgrade PHP from 7.3 to 8.2 insitu

Mastodon – Drew Westcott



https://mastodon.social/explore
https://joinmastodon.org/

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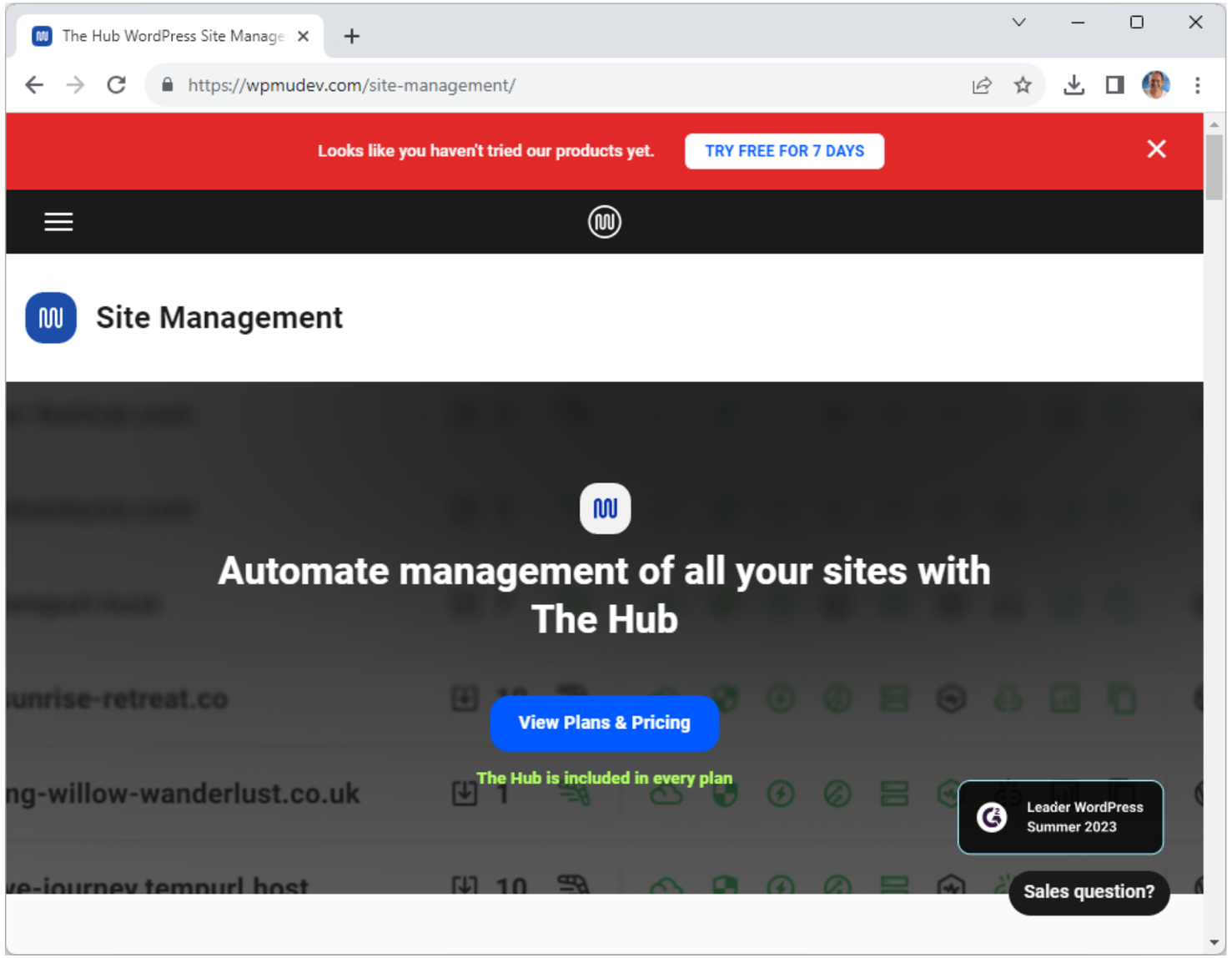

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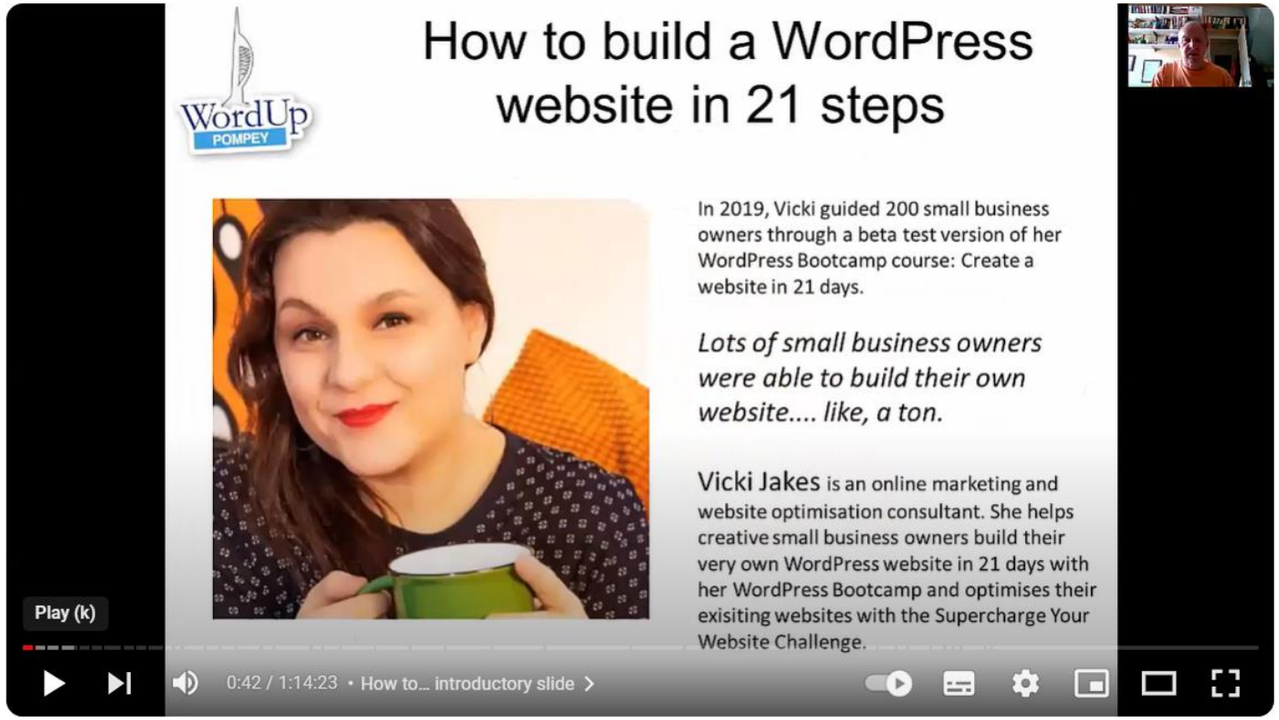
Step by step hosting your own website



https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MXaN-zQMwxs

https://www.wp-pompey.org.uk/meetup/wordpress-portsmouth-online-meetup-17th-june-2020-build-your-wordpress-website-in-21-steps/

21 Steps in the video

1. Buy hosting 19:40
2. Buy/point domain 21:49
3. Install WordPress 23:55 and 25:41
4. Configure WordPress 26:53
5. Add plugins 30:15
6. Add theme 35:50
7. Configure plugins 39:07
8. Set up menu structure 39:11
9. Load prebuilt layouts 41:38
10. Configure the design 44:10
11. Add contact form 46:48
12. Integrate email marketing 46:58
13. Add favicon 47:21
14. Add social icons 47:41
15. Add privacy disclaimers 48:03
16. Configure SEO using Yoast 49:11
17. Add an SSL certificate 50:31
18. Optimise images 51:39
19. Back site up 52:09
20. Submit to Google 53:32
21. GO “LIVE”! 54:03

How to upgrade from PHP 7.3 to 8.2 in situ

My steps for PHP 7.1 to PHP 7.2

- Download the ZIP file (Thread safe 64-bit)
- Unpack to a new directory C:\php72
- Copy and cobble the php.ini file from C:\php71
- Add a new batch file to select PHP 7.2
- Restart Apache
- Test that PHP 7.2 works
- Reboot
- Test plugins and themes
- Fix any problems

My steps for PHP 7 to PHP 8

First thing to do is to enable PHP 8 in my development environment and an easy switch from PHP 7 to PHP 8.

Seems I didn't document the process!

My steps for PHP 8.0 to PHP 8.1 and PHP 8.2

Requirement

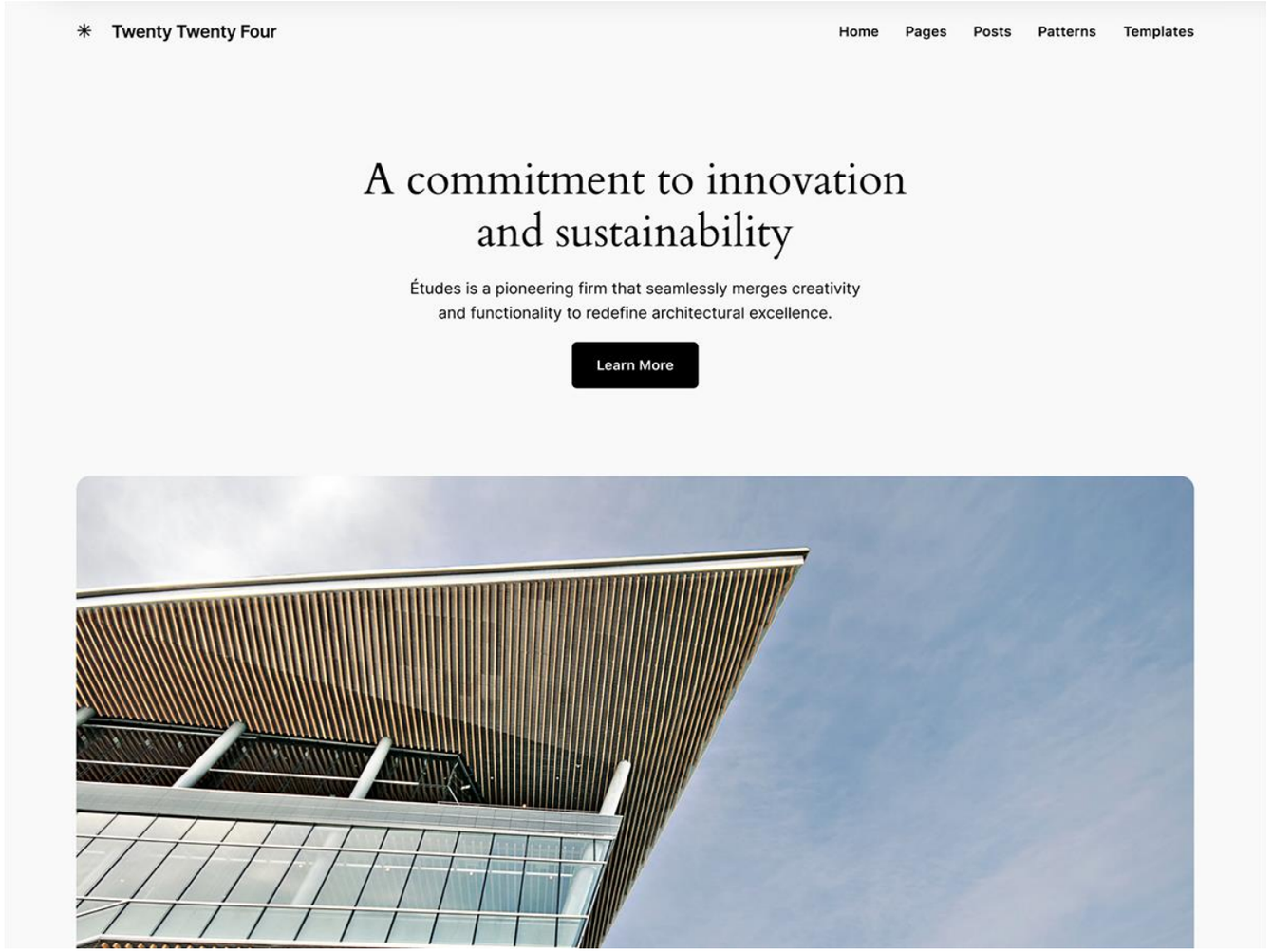
- Upgrade to PHP 8.2 in my local development environment
- If necessary install PHP 8.1 as well
- Enable switching between PHP versions: 8.0, 8.1 and 8.2
- Test WordPress plugins and themes and fix where necessary.

Proposed solution

- Start with PHP 8.2.10. https://windows.php.net/download#php-8.2.
- https://windows.php.net/downloads/releases/php-8.2.10-Win32-vs16-x64.zip
- Extract to php82.
- Copy and cobble p80.bat in d_drive\dos to p82.bat
- Copy php.ini from php80 to php82
- See https://www.php.net/migration82 and https://www.php.net/manual/en/migration81.php
- Possibly upgrade Apache
  See https://www.apachelounge.com/download/
  https://www.apachelounge.com/download/VS17/binaries/httpd-2.4.57-win64-VS17.zip

For all the nitty gritty see
https://github.com/bobbingwide/bobbingwide/issues/103

Twenty Twenty-Four



https://github.com/wordPress/twentytwentyfour
https://make.wordpress.org/core/2023/08/24/introducing-twenty-twenty-four/
https://learn.wordpress.org/tutorial/how-to-switch-from-a-classic-to-a-block-theme/

How to build useful custom blocks

A selection of courses and tutorials from learn.wordpress.org

https://learn.wordpress.org/course/introduction-to-block-development-build-your-first-custom-block/
https://learn.wordpress.org/tutorial/styling-your-wordpress-block/
https://learn.wordpress.org/tutorial/using-the-create-block-tool/
https://learn.wordpress.org/tutorial/converting-a-shortcode-into-a-block/
https://learn.wordpress.org/tutorial/how-to-use-the-wordpress-stylebook-with-your-block-theme/
https://learn.wordpress.org/tutorial/using-block-attributes-to-enable-user-editing/
https://learn.wordpress.org/tutorial/introduction-to-block-theme-development-for-beginners/
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https://developer.wordpress.org/block-editor/getting-started/create-block/
https://www.advancedcustomfields.com/resources/create-your-first-acf-block/

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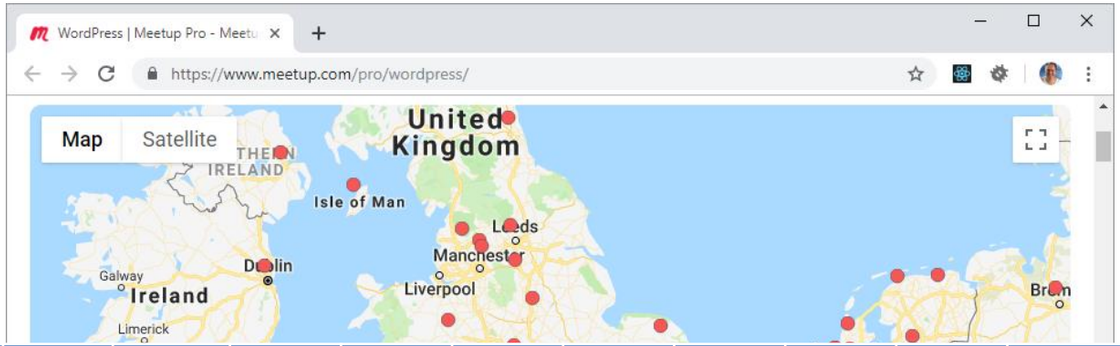

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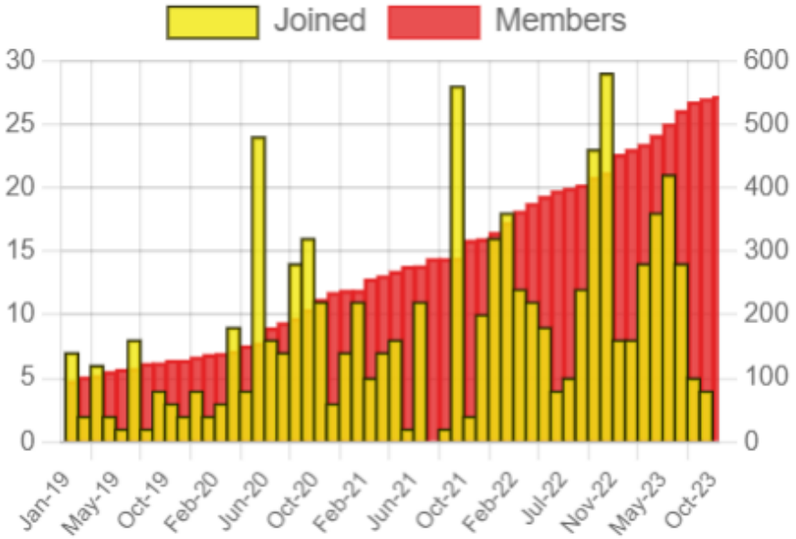
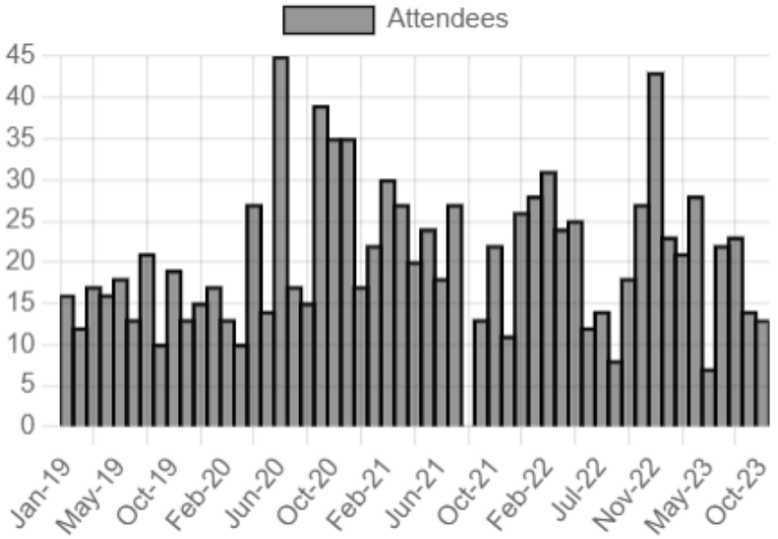
https://www.meetup.com/pro/wordpress/

Meetup stats since 2019





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WordPress plans – 2023

3 October	WordPress 6.4-beta2
10 October	WordPress 6.4-beta3
17 October	WordPress 6.4-RC1
24 October	WordPress 6.4-RC2

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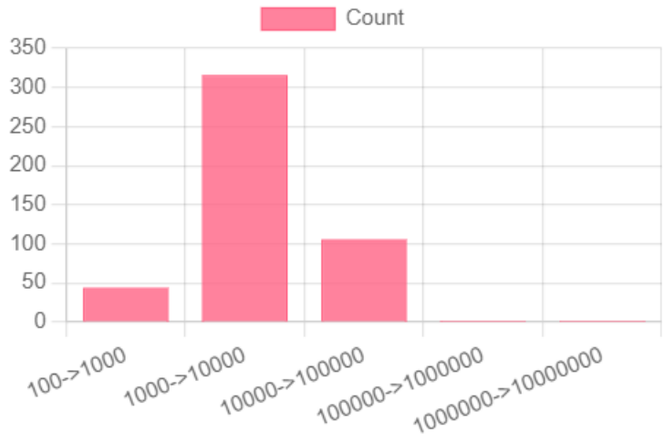
https://survey.alchemer.com/s3/7439442/2023-WordPress-Annual-Survey?ref23=dotOrgHome

30 October	WordPress 6.4-RC3
7 November	WordPress 6.4
11 December	State of the Word 2023 - Madrid

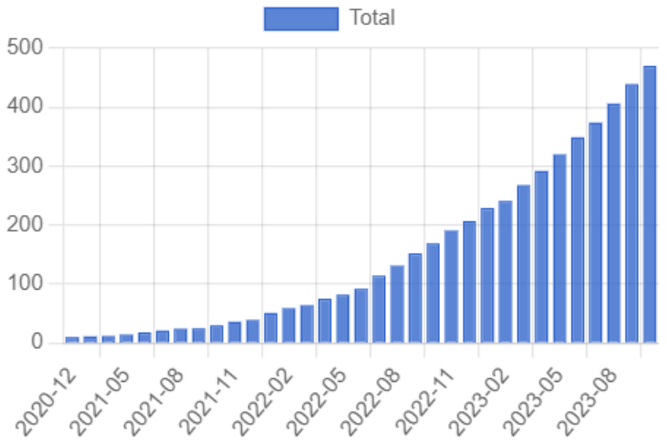
https://central.wordcamp.org/schedule/
https://make.wordpress.org/core/tag/6-4/
https://make.wordpress.org/core/2023/08/24/introducing-twenty-twenty-four/

Full Site Editing themes

Grouped by total downloads



FSE theme count



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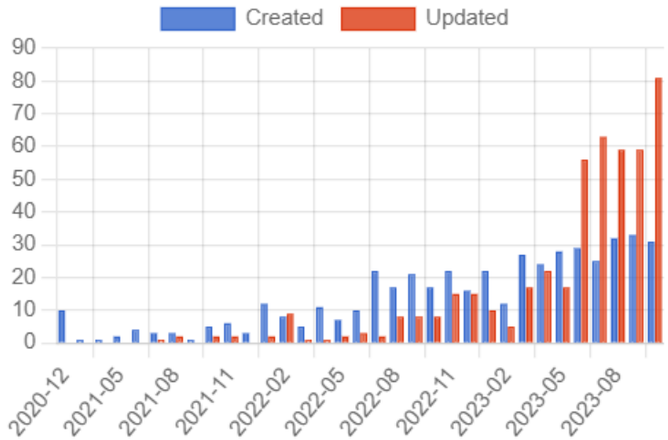
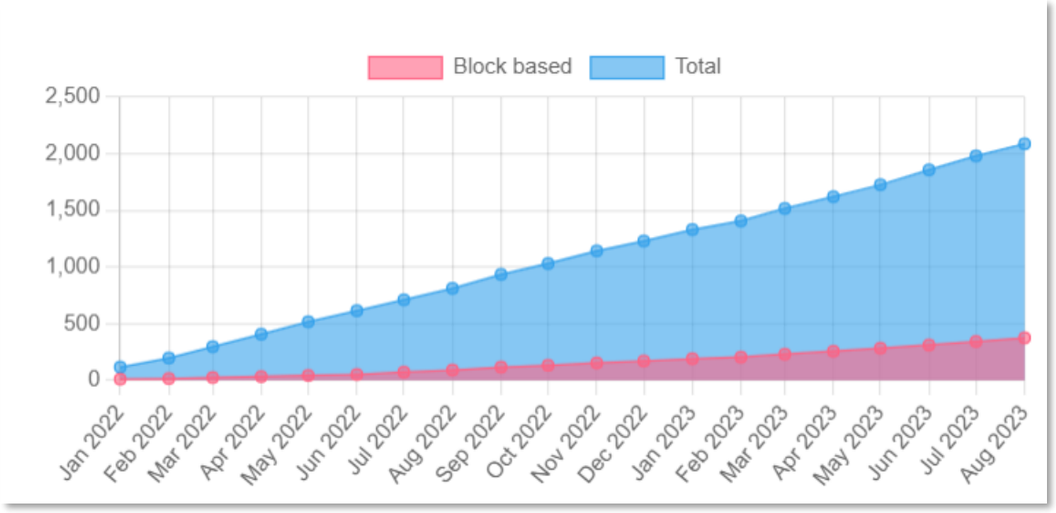


https://blocks.wp-a2z.org/2023/10/25/fse-theme-statistics-25th-october-2023/

FSE themes: **470**
Style variations: **1233**
Total themes: **11418**



https://wordpress.org/themes/tags/full-site-editing/

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19 Jan 2022	What's in WordPress 5.9	#OnlineWPMeetup
16 Feb 2022	Performance – Measuring and improving your Core Web Vitals.	#OnlineWPMeetup
16 Mar 2022	Spring Clinic – Problem Solving	#OnlineWPMeetup
20 Apr 2022	Lightning Talks - Deeper dive into Analytics and other topics	#OnlineWPMeetup
18 May 2022	NO MEETING	
15 Jun 2022	Yoast's Premium SEO plugins	#OnlineWPMeetup
20 Jul 2022	Mobile WordPress with Drew Westcott	#OnlineWPMeetup
17 Aug 2022	Social Meetup in Old Portsmouth	#OnlineWPMeetup
21 Sep 2022	Accessibility of the block editor – Graham Armfield	#OnlineWPMeetup
19 Oct 2022	Local development environments	#OnlineWPMeetup
16 Nov 2022	Headless CMS 101 + blazingly fast front ends	#OnlineWPMeetup
21 Dec 2022	Caching – battle of the caches - POSTPONED	#OnlineWPMeetup

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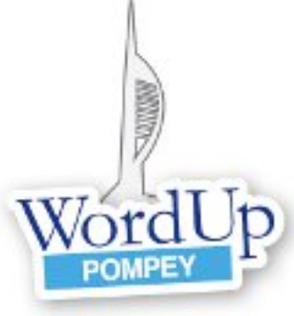
18 Jan 2023	Battle of the caches	#OnlineWPMeetup
22 ~~15~~ Feb 2023	New Year's Resolution clinic	#OnlineWPMeetup
15 Mar 2023	What's new in WordPress 6.2?	#OnlineWPMeetup
19 Apr 2023	~~Learn.WordPress.org~~	#OnlineWPMeetup
24 May 2023	WordPress 20th anniversary quiz	In Person?
21 Jun 2023	-	#OnlineWPMeetup
19 Jul 2023	Advanced Custom Fields ACF	#OnlineWPMeetup
16 Aug 2023	WordPress Multisite 101	#OnlineWPMeetup
27 Sep 2023	Show and Tell – Lightning talks	#OnlineWPMeetup
25 Oct 2023	Show & Tell again – More Lightning talks	#OnlineWPMeetup
22 Nov 2023	Learn.WordPress.org	#OnlineWPMeetup
21 Dec 2023	WordPress & AI?	#OnlineWPMeetup

Some WordPress trivia

https://top-10-wp-plugins.com/2023/10/24/top-12-24th-october-2023/

See also : https://displaywp.com/



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