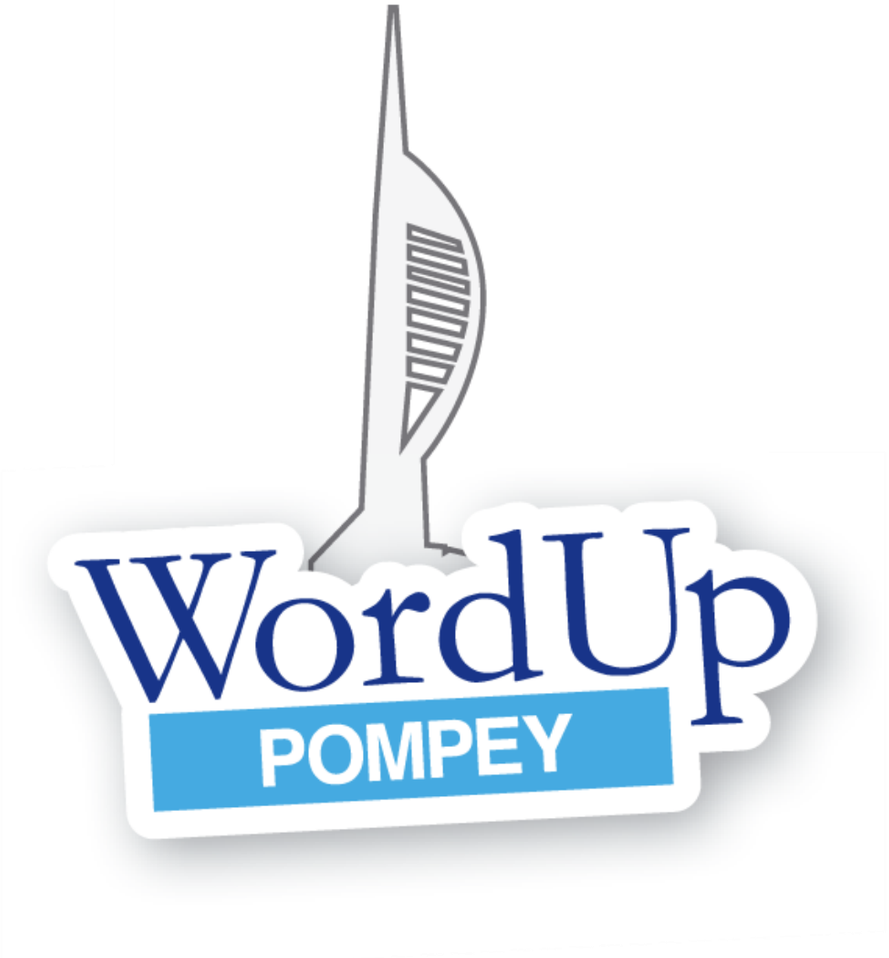

Welcome to WordUp Pompey!
18th December 2024

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#WPPompey
#OnlineWPMeetup

UK Slack: #meetup-portsmouth

https://www.wp-pompey.org.uk/

/about-wordpress-meetups/code-of-conduct/

Agenda

19:00 - Connect to Zoom.
19:10 - Organiser's introduction
19:15 - Explore WordPress Playground
20:15 - Topic for the next meetup
20:20 - Wrap-up
20:30 - Close – can we stick to 1.5 hours?

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Scott McKeown says

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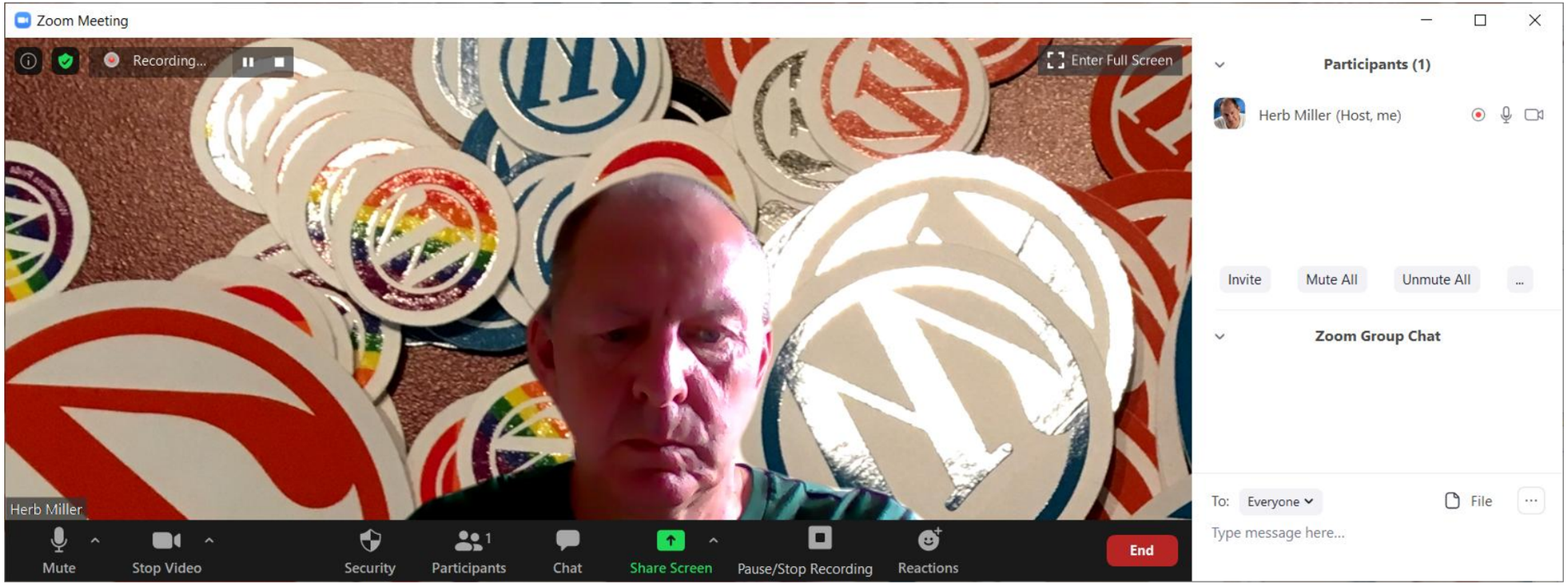

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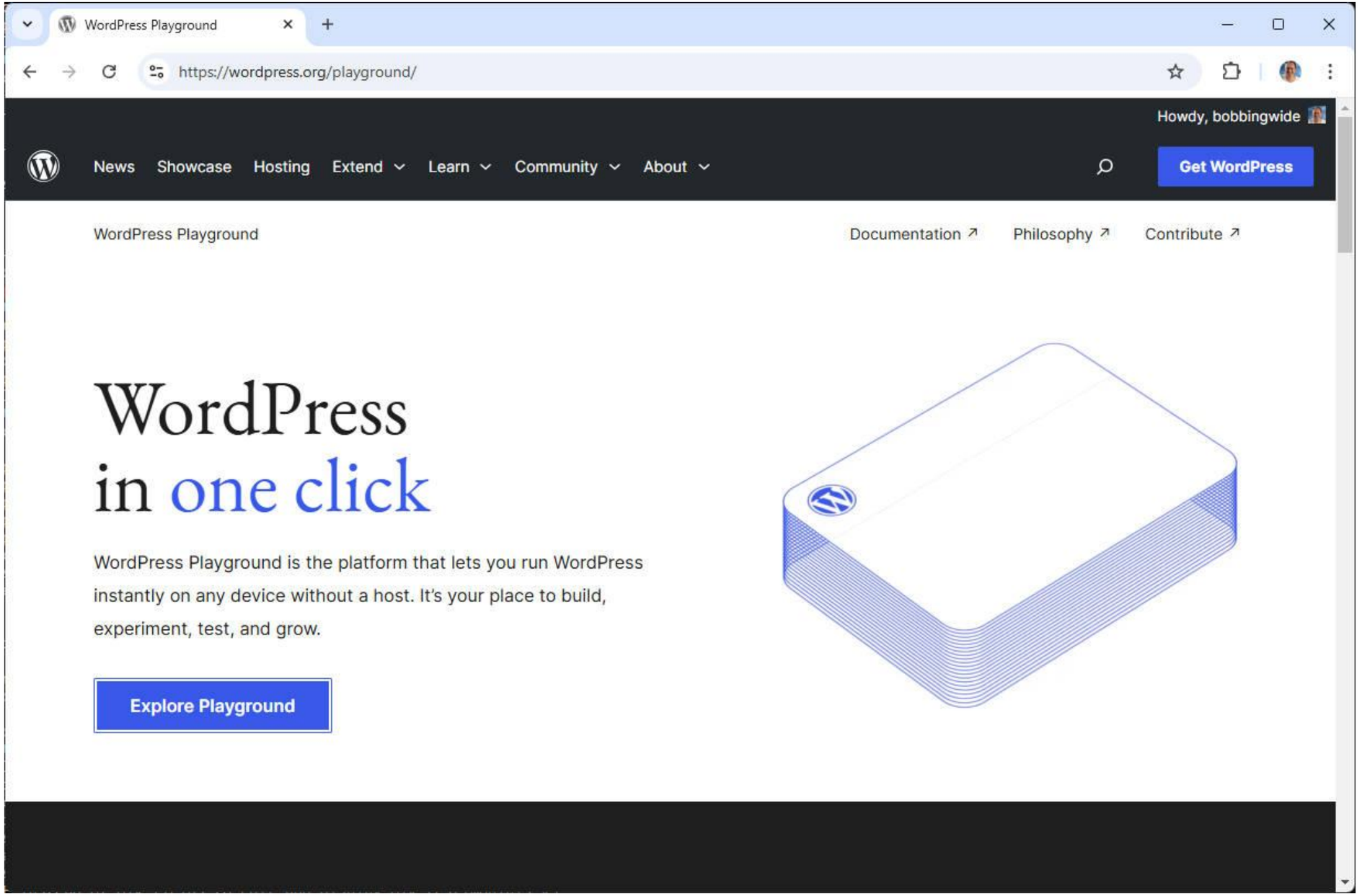
Explore WordPress Playground



Some of the answers to this month’s questions

What's your experience to date of using the WordPress Playground?

Do you have any observations that you'd care to share?

I am néophyte

I haven’t used WPP, although at a recent glance, it looks that it could be useful.

I don’t use it but would love to see use cases

just a few months

None at all x2

Used it briefly in the past so could do with a refresher"

I have used WordPress years ago. Now I am building my own website

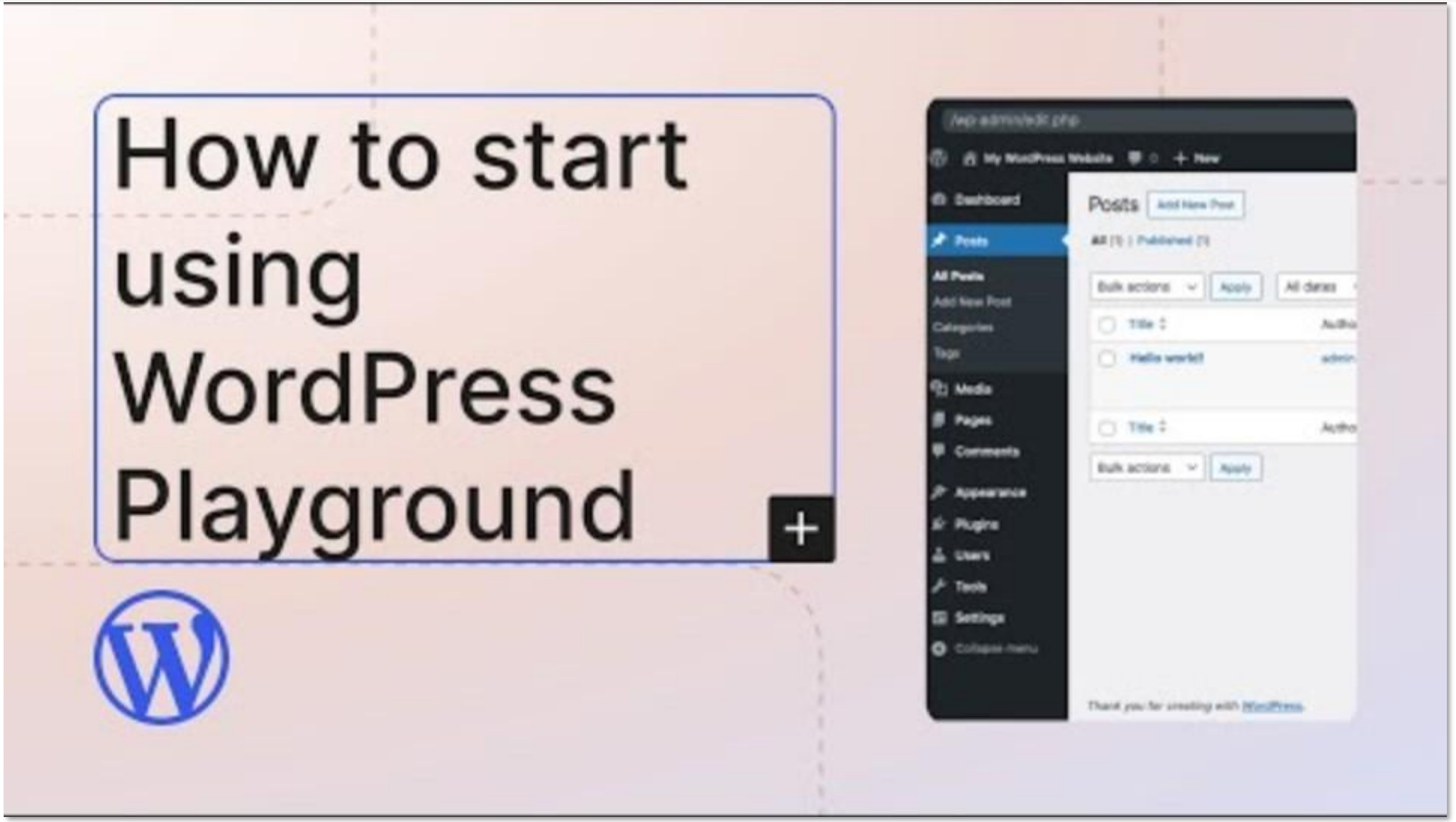
I have created websites as content creator in the past and want to keep myself updated

I just joined the group

Topics

- WordPress Playground landing page https://wordpress.org/playground
- How to start using WordPress Playground (10:12) https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HWPSYWGY0YA
- The ultimate learning, testing and teaching tool (11:22) https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dN_LaenY8bI
- WordPress Playground Docs https://wordpress.github.io/wordpress-playground/
- TL;DR https://playground.wordpress.net

How to start using WordPress Playground



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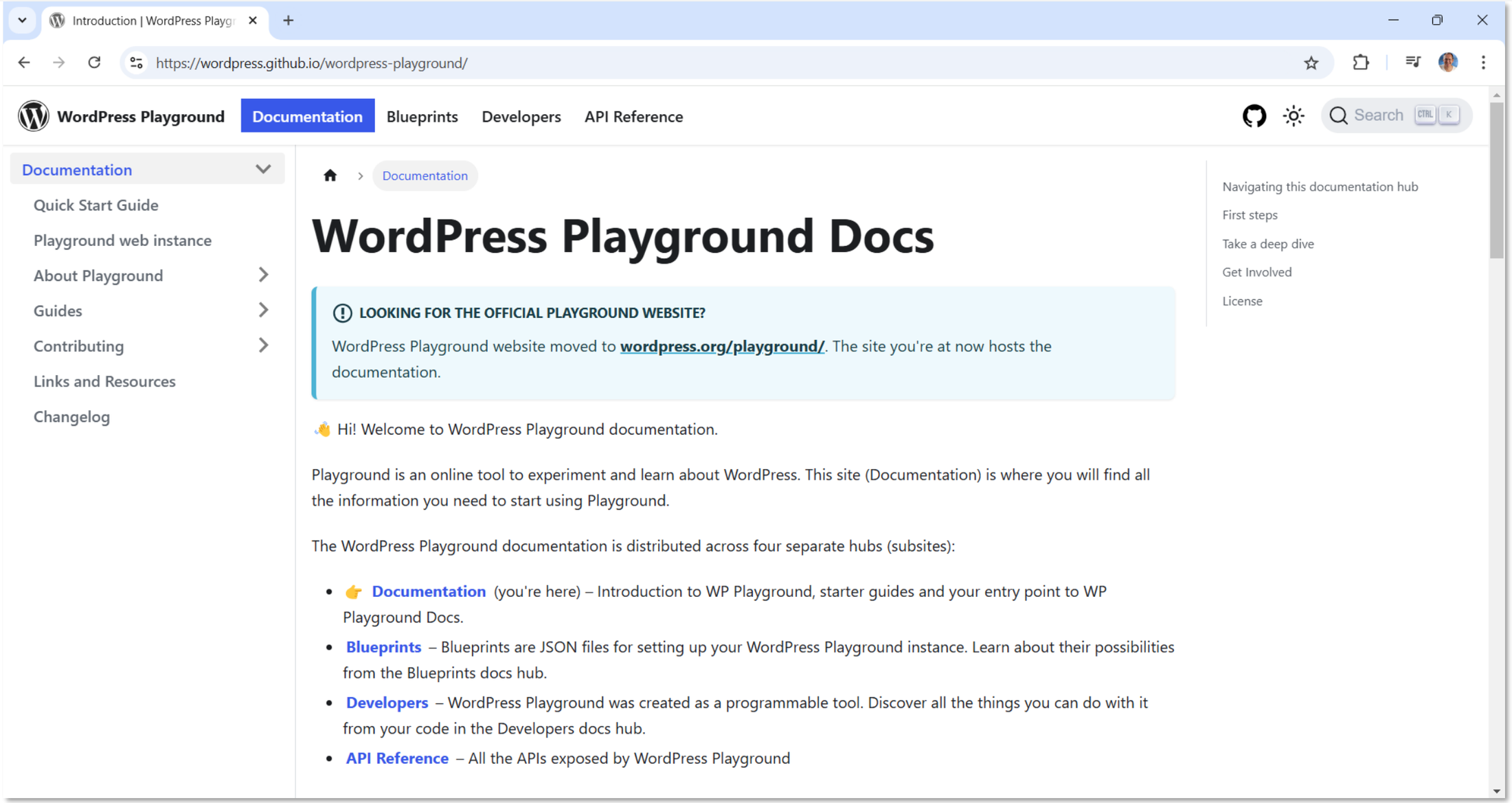
WordPress Playground Docs



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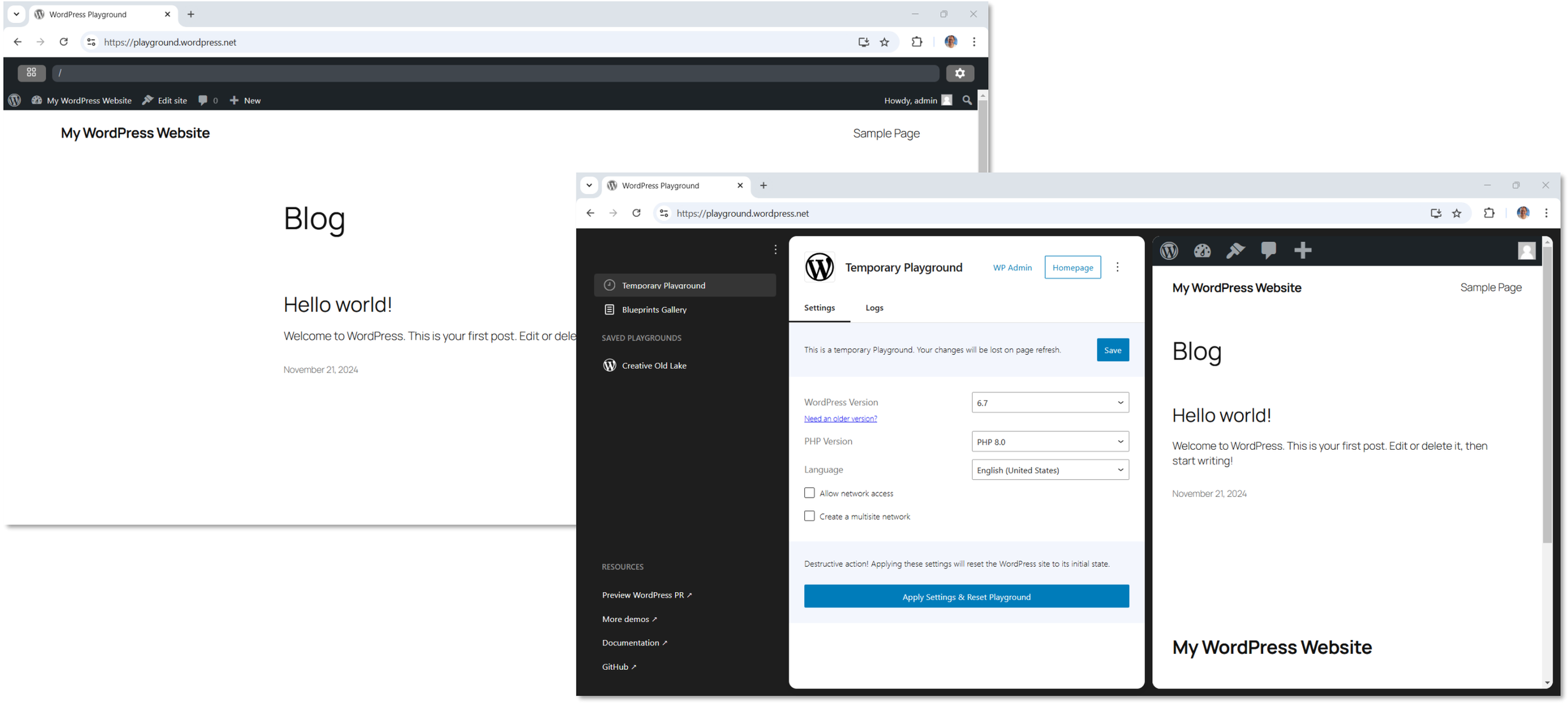
TL;DR - playground.wordpress.net



Future meetup suggestions

What shall we do for 2025?

Developing an artists or portfolio site using WP.
https://www.wpbeginner.com/showcase/best-wordpress-themes-for-artists/
https://wordpress.com/go/website-building/art-portfolio-website/

Explore WordPress 6.5, 6.6 and 6.7 highlights?

Workthrough of the new block capabilities in WordPress 6.5 and WordPress 6.6.

Guided walkthrough of Justin Tadlock's tutorial on "Mixing and matching styles, colors, and typography in WordPress 6.6"

In person social meetup and informal discussion event around a particular area of WP, with perhaps people getting to Portsmouth earlier and doing a trip up the Spinnaker Tower first.

To find out what's going on elsewhere?
https://events.wordpress.org/upcoming-events/filtered/country/GB/

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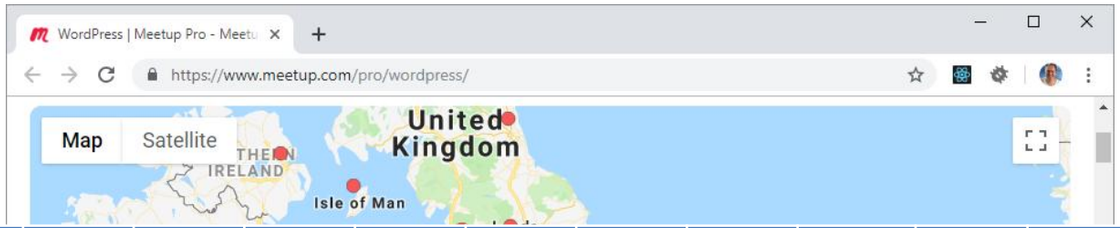

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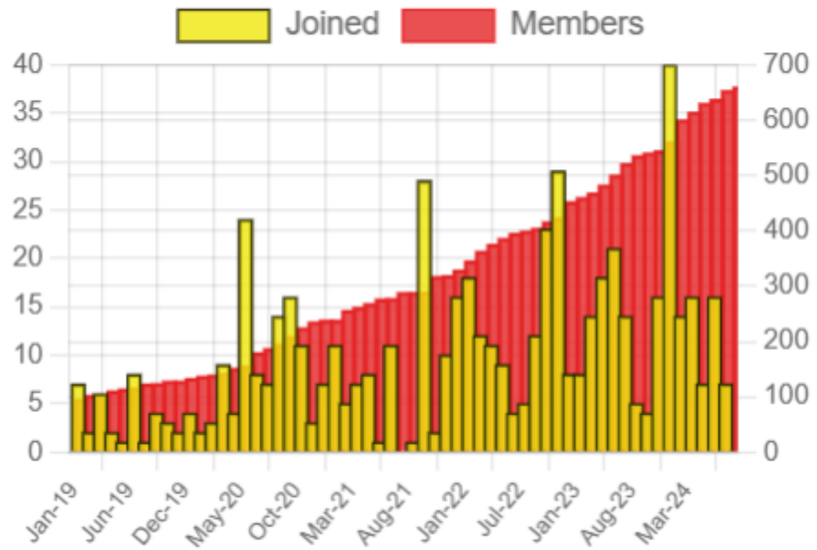
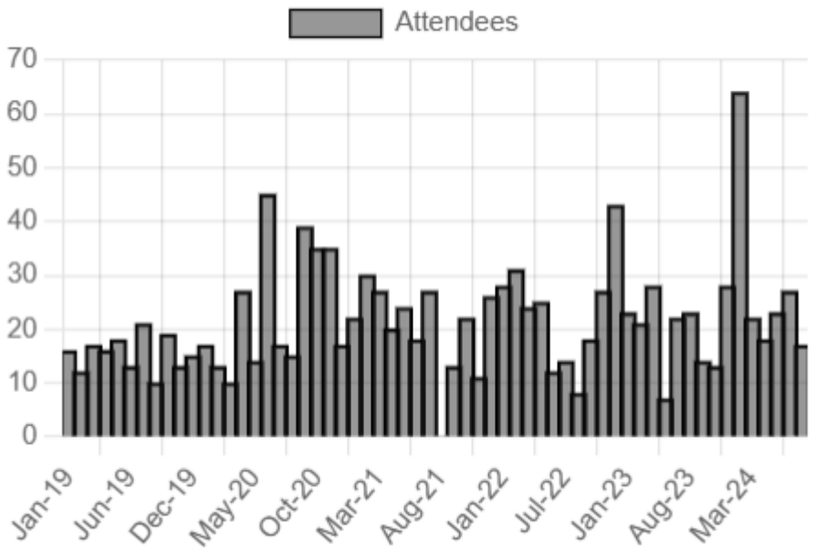
https://www.meetup.com/pro/wordpress/

Meetup stats since 2019





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WordPress plans – 2024 and beyond

16 Dec 2024	State of the Word 2024 – Tokyo	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ySolP8YjODU
18 Dec 2024	WordUp Pompey! - Explore WordPress Playground	
Wed 1 Jan 2025	New Year's Day – make a resolution?	
22 Jan 2025	WordUp Pompey! - TBC	
15 Apr 2025	WordPress 6.8	
5-7 Jun 2025	WCEU, Basel, Switzerland	
5 Aug 2025	WordPress 6.9	
11 Nov 2025	WordPress 7.0	

https://make.wordpress.org/core/2024/08/15/introducing-twenty-twenty-five/

https://central.wordcamp.org/schedule/
https://make.wordpress.org/core/6-8/
https://make.wordpress.org/core/2024/11/19/proposal-major-releases-for-2025/

wppompey plans - 2023

Date	Agenda	Notes
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
18 Oct 2023	Show & Tell again – More Lightning talks	#OnlineWPMeetup
22 Nov 2023	Learn.WordPress.org	#OnlineWPMeetup
21 Dec 2023	-	#OnlineWPMeetup

wppompey plans - 2024

Date	Agenda	Notes
31 Jan 2024	WordPress and Artificial Intelligence	#OnlineWPMeetup
30 Mar 2024	My Favourite Contact Form	#OnlineWPMeetup
~~22-29 May 2024~~	WordPress 21st anniversary quiz (Monday 27th is the actual date)	~~In Person #OnlineWPMeetup~~ Cancelled
25 Sep 2024	What have you been doing?	#OnlineWPMeetup
23 Oct 2024	Migrating to Twenty Twenty-Five	#OnlineWPMeetup
20 Nov 2024	Security, Backups and Day In The Life	#OnlineWPMeetup
18 Dec 2024	Explore Learn WordPress	#OnlineWPMeetup

Some WordPress trivia

See also : https://displaywp.com/

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