Your local meetup is only a few steps away

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**Full Definition of PROFESSIONAL**

1. **a**: of, relating to, or characteristic of a profession
   **b**: engaged in one of the learned professions
   **c (1)**: characterized by or conforming to the technical or ethical standards of a profession
   (2): exhibiting a courteous, conscientious, and generally businesslike manner in the workplace

2. **a**: participating for gain or livelihood in an activity or field of endeavor often engaged in by amateurs<br>   <a *professional* golfer>
   **b**: having a particular profession as a permanent career<br>   <a *professional* soldier>
   **c**: engaged in by persons receiving financial return<br>   <professional football>

3. : following a line of conduct as though it were a profession<br>   <a *professional* patriot>

**Source:** merriam-webster.com
"If you look around and you can't find the leader of your local user group, you're it."

- Cal Evans
"If there is no local user group, start one."

- Michelangelo van Dam
"If there is no WordPress Meetup in your city yet, you are the one to organize it."

- Taco Verdonschot
Three things to do

1. Pick a name
2. Pick a date
3. Announce publicly
Three things to never do

1. Cancel your meetup
2. Cancel your meetup
3. Cancel your meetup
To-do’s

1. Find a venue
2. Invite people
3. Have a fantastic meetup!
Meetup suggestions

- Invite a speaker
- Do a contributing evening
- Just have a drink together
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