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Free bike valet service! This is a first and it's a great idea. The festival probably had 15,000 people there and many road bikes. You would not have had any place to chain them. So whoever thought of this kudos. It's also free.



If you don't like crowds, then this event is not for you. Otherwise enjoy. But seriously the crowds were well behaved and enjoyed themselves. Lots of families, single couples, and everyone in between. The entire city came out in force.



Sometimes advertising is so basic and

effective that what else can you do. There were lots of small businesses like this. It's a great venue to show off and to make contact with consumers. It was well worth the time of whoever set up a booth here.



And the market goes on and on and on.

Then again, there's craft beer and St Petersburg has an amazing variety to choose from. I did ask if there were any NA or nonalcoholic beers being sold, but we haven't reached that point yet. The micro breweries haven't invested in the equipment it would take to remove the alcohol from the beer. It seems counterintuitive, but it is something that hasn't ever increasing demand.



Craft is \$8.40 per cup which is not bad for craft brew. And the variety at St.

Petersburg is getting more and more more each year.



This young man does chalk art almost every day on our bike path, and he has a passion for it. We can't argue with art no matter the form.



In Panama they have party buses and this is an offshoot of that concept and it's so pretty. You have to take a picture of it.



The inside is girly girly like pink. You can't get much more frilly and feminine than the inside of this bus. Can you imagine the time they would have bumping down the street in this thing. Definitely not a dude mobile.



In the market just keeps going on and on and on. I've been through a lot of local business craft shows, but this is the biggest one that I've seen in this area.



If food trucks is your thing then you can't beat the show. And the seating is lovely underneath spreading oak trees. It's a spectacular day temperatures about 62 Fahrenheit with little no humidity. Can't beat it.



All the best Local stores in town. Great day to be outside. Listen to music, relax enjoy your favorite refreshment and have a snack. Pretty good if you can experience it.



Today was Charlie G and his band. It was a local band. The saxophone player grew up in St. Petersburg and is 28 years old. He plays a real fixture of blues with contemporary tones.



And just when you think you've seen everything, this. Really fantastic to see. This is what you expect to see in places like Portland or San Francisco. Quite trendy.



No great park would be complete without a great fountain. This is not great in size but it's well done. It's always clean and popular.



You can enjoy the market at any age and any condition for sure. Course I shouldn't take pictures of people without asking them, but it was nice to see all manner of citizen out enjoying the spectacular day. It was good that we made room for everybody.



There are lots of arts and crafts in St. Petersburg and one of the things that's popular of course is clay pottery'. They have lots of clay arts studios, and lots of opportunity to participate either as a consumer, or an artist.



Tropical island is tasty icy treat especially as the day warms up. I always remember the summers on the beach when you can get an icy like this. It cools your torso down and it really relieves any type of heat stress that can be building. This was especially delicious today as it seem to be natural flavors not too sweet.



If you could attend these markets , I would highly recommend it. This is the 10th annual event. I can see this being very popular going forward. It's a great opportunity to see the community, sample a lot of the local establishments and just generally have a great time. On top of it at the weather today was spectacular. Can't beat this.



Keep smiling 🙂.

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