CrowdPower: Events/Crowds

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Initial P.O.V.

"We met both event organizers and attendees at three distinct events. We were amazed to find there is a "sweet spot" crowd size that enhances the experience of an event. It would be game changing if we could make users feel knowledgeable about crowd size."



This P.O.V. is too superficial!

(Let's go deeper)

Additional Needfinding: Jenny Lu

Attends many events Maintains active social life





Considers herself an "expert" on the subject





With deeper analysis we found...

- Additional information/rules about sweet spot
- The sweet-spot concept is built on deeper human behavior.
- Our <u>LEAP</u> was: Experiencing events with others provides for many inherent human desires.
 - Needs: To satiate the desire to enjoy things in groups, and to be informed about opportunities to do so

Revised P.O.V. #1

We met event goers at three distinct events,



We were surprised to find that satisfying the primal desire to enjoy experiences in a group largely defines how much people enjoy an event.



It would be game changing if we could enhance these "satisfying" group experiences before, during, and after an event.

Revised P.O.V. #2

We were surprised to find the amount of emphasis that people put on inferred guesses to best utilize the time and emotions they invest into events. (See desires from POV #1)



It would be game changing if we could reliably provide information that would improve the time people spend at events and save them from unsatisfying experiences.



People are surprisingly upset when expectations of events do not translate to reality.

How might we...

Drum up excitement for events prior to their occurrence



Stems from the first P.O.V in that collective excitement builds up the group experience





How might we...

Provide snapshots of what an event is like in real-time



Stems from the second P.O.V in that providing people with media and information from events aids in the decision making process..





How might we...

Expand positive group feeling beyond the duration of the event.

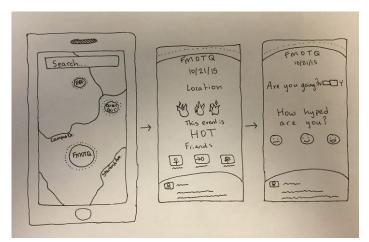


Stems from the first P.O.V in that people value the group feeling they get from social events, extending this would give people something to look back on.





Experience Prototype #1 "Bubble Map"





Description: Bubble map of nearby events showing their immediate popularity

What worked?

- The "hotness" meter
- Map Representation

What didn't?

- False events being created
- Unreliable event time reporting
- Survey-esque questions

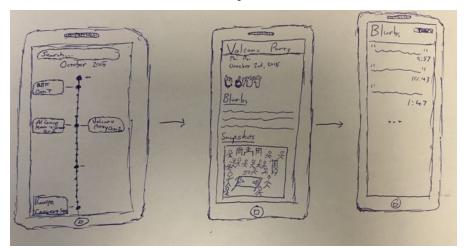
Surprises? New Learnings?

- It would be difficult to implement for small events
- How can we tell if an event's plans change?

Main Assumption Validity? Valid

Seeing location based visualizations of events is a valid desire

Experience Prototype #2 "Timeline"



Description: Timeline keeping track of past events attended

What worked?

- Timeline Format
- Blurbs method of documentation

What didn't?

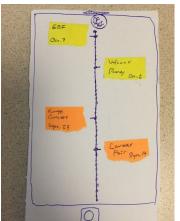
- Uploading directly to app is inconvenient
- Separated blurbs and snapshots

Surprises? New Learnings?

Images enhance experience

Main Assumption Validity? Valid

 People want a social record of events they have attended





Experience Prototype #3 "Real-Time Update"





Description: Live feed of events with supplied pictures for each event.

What worked?

- Potential for "wide" selection of events
- Incentive to upload pictures

What didn't?

- Security
- Inclusion of friends

Surprises? New Learnings?

High "forgiveness" for app/experience failure

Main Assumption Validity? Valid

 People are willing contribute to/use crowd sources of information about events they attend.

